SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Tantalum

Product Number : 545007
Brand : Aldrich
CAS-No. : 7440-25-7

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Sigma-Aldrich Inc.
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UNITED STATES

Telephone : +1 314 771-5765
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1.4 Emergency telephone

Emergency Phone # : 800-424-9300 CHEMTREC (USA) +1-703-527-3887 CHEMTREC (International) 24 Hours/day; 7 Days/week

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)
Flammable solids (Category 1), H228

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram

Signal word : Danger

Hazard statement(s)
H228 Flammable solid.

Precautionary statement(s)
P210 Keep away from heat/ sparks/ open flames/ hot surfaces. No
smoking.

P240  Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.
P241  Use explosion-proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting/ equipment.
P280  Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.
P370 + P378  In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.

### 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

### SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

#### 3.1 Substances

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### SECTION 4: First aid measures

#### 4.1 Description of first-aid measures

**General advice**
Consult a physician. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

**If inhaled**
If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

**In case of skin contact**
Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

**In case of eye contact**
Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

**If swallowed**
Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

#### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed
The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

#### 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed
No data available
SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media
Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Tantalum Oxides

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

5.4 Further information

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up and shovel. Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13). Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Contain spillage, pick up with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and transfer to a container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13).

6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling
Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Advice on safe handling
Further processing of solid materials may result in the formation of combustible dusts. The potential for combustible dust formation should be taken into consideration before additional processing occurs.

Advice on protection against fire and explosion
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

Hygiene measures
Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday. For precautions see section 2.2.
7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.
Keep in a dry place.

Storage class
Storage class (TRGS 510): 4.1B: Flammable solid hazardous materials

7.3 Specific end use(s)
Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

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<td>ST</td>
<td>10 mg/m3</td>
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8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls
Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection
Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166 Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

Skin protection
Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

Body Protection
Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing., The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.
Respiratory protection
Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Control of environmental exposure
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties
9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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<td>c) Odor Threshold</td>
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<td>d) pH</td>
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<td>e) Melting point/freezing point</td>
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<td>f) Initial boiling point and boiling range</td>
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<td>g) Flash point</td>
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<td>h) Evaporation rate</td>
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<td>j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits</td>
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9.2 Other safety information
No data available

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity
No data available

10.2 Chemical stability
Stable under recommended storage conditions.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions
No data available

10.4 Conditions to avoid
Heat, flames and sparks.

10.5 Incompatible materials
Strong oxidizing agents

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products
In the event of fire: see section 5

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity
LD50 Oral - male and female - > 2,000 mg/kg
OECD Test Guideline 423
LC50 Inhalation - male and female - 4 h - > 5.18 mg/l
OECD Test Guideline 403
Dermal: No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
Skin - Rabbit
Result: No skin irritation - 4 h
OECD Test Guideline 404

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
Eyes - Rabbit
Result: No eye irritation
OECD Test Guideline 405

Respiratory or skin sensitization
Maximization Test - Guinea pig
Result: negative
OECD Test Guideline 406

Germ cell mutagenicity
No data available

Carcinogenicity
IARC: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

NTP: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is
identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is on OSHA’s list of regulated carcinogens.

**Reproductive toxicity**
No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**
No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**
No data available

**Aspiration hazard**
No data available

### 11.2 Additional Information
Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - male and female - Oral - 28 Days - NOAEL (No observed adverse effect level) - 1,000 mg/kg

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

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**SECTION 12: Ecological information**

#### 12.1 Toxicity
Toxicity to fish semi-static test LC50 - Danio rerio (zebra fish) - > 0.001 mg/l - 96 h (OECD Test Guideline 203)

#### 12.2 Persistence and degradability
The methods for determining biodegradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

#### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential
No data available

#### 12.4 Mobility in soil
No data available

#### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

#### 12.6 Other adverse effects
No data available

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**SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

#### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

**Product**
Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable.

**Contaminated packaging**
Dispose of as unused product.
SECTION 14: Transport information

DOT (US)
UN number: 3089  Class: 4.1  Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: Metal powders, flammable, n.o.s.
Reportable Quantity (RQ):
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG
UN number: 3089  Class: 4.1  Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: METAL POWDER, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S.
EMS-No: F-G, S-G

IATA
UN number: 3089  Class: 4.1  Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: Metal powder, flammable, n.o.s.

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

SARA 302 Components
No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

SARA 313 Components
This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

SARA 311/312 Hazards
Fire Hazard

Massachusetts Right To Know Components
No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

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SECTION 16: Other information

Further information
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