

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

according to the OSHA  
Hazard Communication Standard

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Tellurium

Product Number : 264865  
Brand : Aldrich  
Index-No. : 052-001-00-0  
CAS-No. : 13494-80-9

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

Restrictions on use : The product is being supplied under the TSCA R&D Exemption (40 CFR Section 720.36). It is the recipient's responsibility to comply with the requirements of the R&D exemption. The product may not be used for a non-exempt commercial purpose under TSCA unless appropriate consent is granted in writing by MilliporeSigma.

### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Sigma-Aldrich Inc.  
SPRUCE ST 3050  
63103 St. Louis

Telephone : (314) 771-5765  
Telefax: (800) 325-5052

### 1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency Phone # : 800 424 9300 (CHEMTREC) 24/7  
+1 703 527 3887 (CHEMTREC) 24/7

## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### GHS classification in accordance with the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

#### Hazards for the product as supplied

Acute toxicity (Inhalation) : Category 4

Skin sensitisation : Sub-category 1B

Reproductive toxicity : Category 1B

Effects on or via lactation

Long-term (chronic) aquatic hazard : Category 4

#### Other hazards

None known.

#### GHS label elements

Hazard pictograms : 

Signal word : Danger

Hazard statements : H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.  
H332 Harmful if inhaled.  
H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.  
H362 May cause harm to breast-fed children.  
H413 May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

Precautionary statements : **Prevention:**  
P201 Obtain special instructions before use.  
P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
P260 Do not breathe dust.  
P263 Avoid contact during pregnancy/ while nursing.  
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.  
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.  
P272 Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace.  
P273 Avoid release to the environment.  
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.

**Response:**

P302 + P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

P304 + P340 + P312 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell.

P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.

P333 + P313 If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.

P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

**Storage:**

P405 Store locked up.

**Disposal:**

P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

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**SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Substance / Mixture : Substance

CAS-No. : 13494-80-9

**Components**

| Chemical name | CAS No./Unique ID | Concentration (% w/w) | Trade secret |
|---------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| tellurium     | 13494-80-9*       | >= 90 - <= 100        | -            |

\* Indicates that the identifier is a CAS No.

Actual concentration is withheld as a trade secret

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**SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

General advice : Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

If inhaled : After inhalation: fresh air. Immediately call in physician.  
If breathing stops: immediately apply artificial respiration, if necessary also oxygen.

In case of skin contact : In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact : After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water.

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|                                                             | Call in ophthalmologist.<br>Remove contact lenses.                                                                                     |
| If swallowed                                                | : After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most).<br>Consult a physician.                                 |
| Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed | : The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2 GHS label elements) and/or in section 11 |
| Protection of first-aiders                                  | : For personal protection see section 8.                                                                                               |
| Notes to physician                                          | : No data available                                                                                                                    |

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## SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

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| Suitable extinguishing media          | : Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment. |
| Unsuitable extinguishing media        | : For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.                            |
| Specific hazards during fire fighting | : Not combustible.                                                                                        |

Ambient fire may liberate hazardous vapours.

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|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Hazardous combustion products                  | : Tellurium oxides                                                                                                                                              |
| Specific extinguishing methods                 | : No data available                                                                                                                                             |
| Further information                            | : Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.                                                                 |
| Special protective equipment for fire-fighters | : Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing. |

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## SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures : Advice for non-emergency personnel:  
Avoid inhalation of dusts.  
Avoid substance contact.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.  
Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.  
Advice for emergency responders:  
Wear appropriate personal protective equipment, as indicated in Section 8.

Environmental precautions : Do not let product enter drains.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up : Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills.  
Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10).  
Take up carefully. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.  
Avoid generation of dusts.

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## SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

For precautions see section 2 GHS label elements

Advice on safe handling : Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture.

Further information on storage conditions : Tightly closed.  
Dry.  
Keep in a well-ventilated place.  
Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorised persons.

Storage class : 6.1D, Non-combustible, acute toxic Cat.3 / toxic hazardous materials or hazardous materials causing chronic effects

Recommended storage temperature : Recommended storage temperature if relevant, see product label.

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## SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Ingredients with workplace control parameters

| Components | CAS-No.    | Value type<br>(Form of exposure) | Control parameters /<br>Permissible concentration | Basis    |
|------------|------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------|
| tellurium  | 13494-80-9 | TWA                              | 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>                             | OSHA Z-1 |

|  |  |     |                                      |           |
|--|--|-----|--------------------------------------|-----------|
|  |  |     | (Tellurium)                          |           |
|  |  | TWA | 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup><br>(Tellurium) | ACGIH     |
|  |  | TWA | 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup><br>(Tellurium) | NIOSH REL |

**Engineering measures** : No data available

### Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection : required when dusts are generated.

Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

Recommended Filter type: : Filter type P3

The entrepreneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer. These measures have to be properly documented.

### Hand protection

Material : Nitrile rubber  
Break through time : 480 min  
Glove thickness : 0.11 mm  
Protective index : Full contact  
Manufacturer : KCL 741 Dermatrill® L

Material : Nitrile rubber  
Break through time : 480 min  
Glove thickness : 0.11 mm  
Protective index : Splash contact  
Manufacturer : KCL 741 Dermatrill® L

Remarks : Handle with impervious gloves.  
This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN 16523-1 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: [www.kcl.de](http://www.kcl.de)).

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Eye protection           | : Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).<br>Safety glasses |
| Skin and body protection | : protective clothing                                                                                                                             |
| Hygiene measures         | : Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.                   |

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## SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

|                                                     |                                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Appearance                                          | : powder                           |
| Colour                                              | : grey                             |
| Odour                                               | : No data available                |
| Odour Threshold                                     | : No data available                |
| pH                                                  | : No data available                |
| Melting point/ range                                | : 842 °F / 450 °C<br>Method: lit.  |
| Boiling point/boiling range                         | : 1814 °F / 990 °C<br>Method: lit. |
| Flash point                                         | : Not applicable                   |
| Evaporation rate                                    | : No data available                |
| Flammability (solid, gas)                           | : The product is not flammable.    |
| Flammability (liquids)                              | : No data available                |
| Burning rate                                        | : No data available                |
| Upper explosion limit /<br>Upper flammability limit | : No data available                |
| Lower explosion limit /<br>Lower flammability limit | : No data available                |
| Vapour pressure                                     | : No data available                |
| Relative vapour density                             | : No data available                |

|                                        |                                                                                  |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Relative density                       | : 6.232                                                                          |
| Density                                | : 6.24 g/mL (77 °F / 25 °C)<br>Method: lit.                                      |
| Solubility(ies)                        |                                                                                  |
| Water solubility                       | : 0.0017 g/l slightly soluble (68 °F / 20 °C)<br>Method: OECD Test Guideline 105 |
| Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water | : Not applicable for inorganic substances                                        |
| Autoignition temperature               | : No data available                                                              |
| Decomposition temperature              | : No data available                                                              |
| Viscosity, dynamic                     | : No data available                                                              |
| Viscosity, kinematic                   | : No data available                                                              |
| Flow time                              | : No data available                                                              |
| Explosive properties                   | : No data available                                                              |
| Oxidizing properties                   | : none                                                                           |
| Molecular weight                       | : 127.60 g/mol                                                                   |
| Particle characteristics               |                                                                                  |
| Particle size                          | : No data available                                                              |

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## SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

|                                    |                                                                                           |
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| Reactivity                         | : No data available                                                                       |
| Chemical stability                 | : The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) . |
| Possibility of hazardous reactions | : No data available                                                                       |
| Conditions to avoid                | : no information available                                                                |
| Incompatible materials             | : Zinc<br>cadmium<br>Sodium/sodium oxides<br>Potassium<br>Strong acids<br>Strong bases    |

Hazardous decomposition : For Hazardous combustion products in the event of products fire: see section 5

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## SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - > 5,000 mg/kg

(OECD Test Guideline 401)

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4 h - > 2.42 mg/l - aerosol

(OECD Test Guideline 403)

Dermal: No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - reconstructed human epidermis (RhE)

Result: No skin irritation

(OECD Test Guideline 439)

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Chicken eye

Result: No eye irritation

(OECD Test Guideline 438)

#### Respiratory or skin sensitization

Local lymph node assay (LLNA) - Mouse

Result: positive

(OECD Test Guideline 429)

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: Escherichia coli/Salmonella typhimurium

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 471

Result: negative

Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test

Test system: mouse lymphoma cells

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 476

Result: negative

Test Type: Chromosome aberration test in vitro

Test system: Chinese hamster lung cells

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 473

Result: negative

#### Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component 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 component 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**

May damage the unborn child.

Suspected of damaging fertility.

Studies indicating a hazard to babies during the lactation period

**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 - 13 Weeks - No observed adverse effect level -  $\geq 100$  mg/kg

RTECS: WY2625000

Nausea, Headache, Vomiting, Central nervous system depression

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

The following applies to tellurium compounds in general: after oral uptake, the compound is mostly reduced to metallic tellurium and subsequently eliminated with the faeces (blue-grey). After inhalation or ingestion: metallic taste, dryness in mouth. Possible in extreme cases: gastrointestinal complaints, cyanosis, unconsciousness, collapse, in some cases risk of liver and kidney damage.

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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**SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Ecotoxicity**

**Components:**

**tellurium:**

|                  |                                                            |
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| Toxicity to fish | : LC50 (Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout)): $> 100$ mg/l |
|                  | End point: mortality                                       |
|                  | Exposure time: 96 h                                        |
|                  | Test Type: semi-static test                                |
|                  | Analytical monitoring: yes                                 |
|                  | Method: OECD Test Guideline 203                            |

GLP: yes

|                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates | : EC50 (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 5.79 mg/l<br>End point: Immobilization<br>Exposure time: 48 h<br>Test Type: static test<br>Analytical monitoring: yes<br>Method: OECD Test Guideline 202<br>GLP: yes |
| Toxicity to algae/aquatic plants                    | : ErC50 (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata): > 11.7 mg/l<br>Exposure time: 72 h<br>Test Type: static test<br>Analytical monitoring: yes<br>Method: OECD Test Guideline 201<br>GLP: yes                      |
| Toxicity to microorganisms                          | : EC50 (activated sludge): 320 mg/l<br>Exposure time: 3 h<br>Test Type: static test<br>Method: OECD Test Guideline 209<br>GLP: yes                                                                        |

### **Ecotoxicology Assessment**

|                          |                                                           |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| Acute aquatic toxicity   | : This product has no known ecotoxicological effects.     |
| Chronic aquatic toxicity | : May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life. |

### **Persistence and degradability**

#### **Components:**

##### **tellurium:**

|                  |                                                                                                     |
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| Biodegradability | : Remarks: The methods for determining biodegradability are not applicable to inorganic substances. |
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### **Bioaccumulative potential**

#### **Components:**

##### **tellurium:**

|                                        |                                                    |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water | : Remarks: Not applicable for inorganic substances |
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### **Mobility in soil**

No data available

### **Other adverse effects**

No data available

## Endocrine disrupting properties

No data available

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### SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### Disposal methods

Waste from residues : Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers. No mixing with other waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product itself.

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### SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### International Regulations

##### IATA-DGR

Not regulated as a dangerous good

##### IMDG-Code

Not regulated as a dangerous good

##### Transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Not applicable for product as supplied.

#### National Regulations

##### 49 CFR

Not regulated as a dangerous good

Poison Inhalation Hazard : No

#### Special precautions for user

Remarks : Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

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### SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### CERCLA Reportable Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a CERCLA RQ.

#### SARA 304 Extremely Hazardous Substances Reportable Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a section 304 EHS RQ.

#### SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances Threshold Planning Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards** : Acute Health Hazard  
Chronic Health Hazard

**SARA 313** : 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.

### **US State Regulations**

#### **Massachusetts Right To Know**

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#### **Pennsylvania Right To Know**

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#### **Maine Chemicals of High Concern**

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

#### **Vermont Chemicals of High Concern**

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

#### **Washington Chemicals of High Concern**

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

#### **The components of this product are reported in the following inventories:**

US TSCA : All substances listed as active on the TSCA inventory

#### **TSCA list**

No substances are subject to a Significant New Use Rule.

No substances are subject to TSCA 12(b) export notification requirements.

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## **SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

### **Full text of other abbreviations**

ACGIH : USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)  
NIOSH REL : USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits  
OSHA Z-1 : USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants  
ACGIH / TWA : 8-hour, time-weighted average  
NIOSH REL / TWA : Time-weighted average concentration for up to a 10-hour workday during a 40-hour workweek  
OSHA Z-1 / TWA : 8-hour time weighted average

AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DOT - Department of Transportation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; EHS - Extremely Hazardous Substance; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; ERG - Emergency Response Guide;

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GHS - Globally Harmonised System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; HMIS - Hazardous Materials Identification System; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organisation; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardisation; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); LSPN - List of Hazardous Notified Substances (Chile); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; MSHA - Mine Safety and Health Administration; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; NFPA - National Fire Protection Association; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NTP - National Toxicology Program; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; RCRA - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; RQ - Reportable Quantity; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SARA - Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

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