

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Germanium

Product Number : 327395
Brand : Aldrich
CAS-No. : 7440-56-4

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

Uses advised against : 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

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SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

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

Flammable solids : Category 1

Reproductive toxicity : Category 2

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Oral) : Category 2 (Kidney)

Short-term (acute) aquatic hazard : Category 1

Long-term (chronic) aquatic hazard : Category 2

Other hazards

None known.

GHS label elements

Hazard pictograms



Signal Word : Danger

Hazard Statements : H228 Flammable solid.
H361 Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
H373 May cause damage to organs (Kidney) through prolonged or repeated exposure if swallowed.
H400 Very toxic to aquatic life.
H411 Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary Statements :

Prevention:
P201 Obtain special instructions before use.
P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
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.
P260 Do not breathe dust.
P273 Avoid release to the environment.
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.

Response:
P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.
P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.
P391 Collect spillage.

Storage:
P405 Store locked up.

Disposal:

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

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance / Mixture : Substance

Components

Chemical name	CAS No./Unique ID	Concentration (% w/w)	Trade secret
Germanium	7440-56-4*	$\geq 90 - \leq 100$	-

* Indicates that the identifier is a CAS No.

Actual concentration is withheld as a trade secret

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

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

If inhaled : After inhalation: fresh air. Call in physician.

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. Call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

If swallowed : After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). 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 2.2) and/or in section 11

Protection of first-aiders : For personal protection see section 8.

Notes to physician : No data available

SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media : Water
Foam
Carbon dioxide (CO₂)

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Dry powder

Unsuitable extinguishing media : For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

Specific hazards during fire fighting : Combustible.

Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.

Hazardous combustion products : Nature of decomposition products not known.

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.

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.
Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.
Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.
Advice for emergency responders:
For personal protection see section 8.

Environmental precautions : Do not let product enter drains.
Risk of explosion.

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 dry. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area. Avoid generation of dusts.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

For precautions see section 2.2.

Advice on protection against fire and explosion	: Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharge.
Advice on safe handling	: Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture.
Further information on storage conditions	: Tightly closed. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.
Storage class	: 4.1B, Flammable solid hazardous materials
Recommended storage temperature	: Recommended storage temperature see product label.
Packaging material	: Suitable material: LDPE Bottle/Jar

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Ingredients with workplace control parameters

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

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 Dermatril® L

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

Eye protection : Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).
Safety glasses

Skin and body protection : Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing.

Hygiene measures : Change contaminated clothing. Preventive skin protection recommended. Wash hands after working with substance.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance : powder

Color : gray

Odor : No data available

Odor Threshold : No data available
pH : No data available

Melting point/ range : 1719 °F / 937 °C
Method: lit.

Boiling point/boiling range : 5,126 °F / 2,830 °C
Method: lit.

Flash point : Not applicable

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Evaporation rate	: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	: The substance or mixture is a flammable solid with the category 1.
Flammability (liquids)	: No data available
Burning rate	: No data available
Upper explosion limit / Upper flammability limit	: No data available
Lower explosion limit / Lower flammability limit	: No data available
Vapor pressure	: No data available
Relative vapor density	: No data available
Relative density	: 5.323 (68 °F / 20 °C, 1,013 hPa)
Density	: 5.35 g/mL (77 °F / 25 °C) Method: lit.
Solubility(ies)	
Water solubility	: 31.8 g/l (72 °F / 22 °C) GLP: yes
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	: 72.64 g/mol
Particle characteristics	
Particle size	: No data available

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity	: The following applies in general to flammable organic substances and mixtures: in correspondingly fine distribution, when whirled up a dust explosion potential may generally be assumed.
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	: Strong oxidizing agents Halogens
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 - Rat - female - > 2,000 mg/kg
(OECD Test Guideline 425)

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4 h - > 0.005 mg/l - dust/mist

(OECD Test Guideline 403)

Dermal: No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - EPISKIN Human Skin Model Test

Result: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.
(OECD Test Guideline 439)

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - In vitro study

Result: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.
(OECD Test Guideline 492)

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

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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

Suspected human reproductive toxicant

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

Oral - The substance or mixture is classified as specific target organ toxicant, repeated exposure, category 2.

- Kidney

Aspiration hazard

No data available

11.2 Additional Information

Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - female - Oral - 24 Weeks - LOAEL (Lowest observed adverse effect level) - 37.5 mg/kg

Remarks: (ECHA)

RTECS: LY5200000

Cough, Difficulty in breathing

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

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Components:

Germanium:

Toxicity to algae/aquatic plants : ErC50 (Navicula pelliculosa (Freshwater diatom)):
0.143 mg/l

Exposure time: 72 h

Test Type: static test

Analytical monitoring: yes

Method: OECD Test Guideline 201

GLP: yes

NOEC (Navicula pelliculosa (Freshwater diatom)):
0.07 mg/l

Exposure time: 72 h
Test Type: static test
Analytical monitoring: yes
Method: OECD Test Guideline 201
GLP: yes

M-Factor (Acute aquatic toxicity) : 1

M-Factor (Chronic aquatic toxicity) : 1

Ecotoxicology Assessment

Acute aquatic toxicity : Very toxic to aquatic life.

Chronic aquatic toxicity : Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Persistence and degradability

Components:

Germanium:

Biodegradability : Remarks: The methods for determining biodegradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

Bioaccumulative potential

Components:

Germanium:

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water : Remarks: Not applicable for inorganic substances

Mobility in soil

No data available

Other adverse effects

No data available

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.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

International Regulations

IATA-DGR

UN/ID No. : UN 3089
Proper shipping name : Metal powder, flammable, n.o.s.
Class : 4.1
Packing group : II
Labels : Division 4.1 - Flammable solids
Packing instruction (cargo aircraft) : 448
Packing instruction (passenger aircraft) : 445

IMDG-Code

UN number : UN 3089
Proper shipping name : METAL POWDER, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S.
(Germanium)
Class : 4.1
Packing group : II
Labels : 4.1
EmS Code : F-G, S-G
Marine pollutant : yes

Transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Not applicable for product as supplied.

National regulation

49 CFR Road

UN/ID/NA number : UN 3089
Proper shipping name : Metal powders, flammable, n.o.s.

Class : 4.1
Packing group : II
Labels : Division 4.1 - Flammable solids
ERG Code : 170
Marine pollutant : no

Poison Inhalation Hazard : No

Special precautions for user

The transport classification(s) provided herein are for informational purposes only, and solely based upon the properties of the unpackaged material as it is described within this Safety Data Sheet. Transportation classifications may vary by mode of transportation, package sizes, and variations in regional or country regulations.

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 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

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

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 ingredients of this product are reported in the following inventories:

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.

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Full text of other abbreviations

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; GHS - Globally Harmonized 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 Organization; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardization; 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); 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 - Organization 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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