

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

### Section 1: Identification

Product name: Tungsten (metal powder)  
Product use: For laboratory research purposes.  
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### Section 2: Hazard(s) Identification

#### 2.1 GHS Classification

Self-heating substances and mixtures (Category 2), H252

#### 2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

##### Pictogram



**Signal word** Warning

##### Hazard statement(s):

H252 Self-heating in large quantities; may catch fire.

##### Precautionary statement(s):

P235 Keep cool.  
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.  
P403 + P235 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.  
P407 Maintain air gap between stacks or pallets.  
P420 Store separately.

### Section 3: Composition/ Information on Ingredients

**Formula** : W  
**Molecular Weight** : 183.84 g/mol

Material	CAS-No.	EC-No.	Index-No.	Concentration
Tungsten	7440-33-7	231-143-9	-	<=100%

### Section 4: First-Aid Measures

#### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

##### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move person out of dangerous area if safe to do so.

**If inhaled**

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

**In case of skin contact**

Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Use chemical shower if available. Consult a physician.

**In case of eye contact**

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician. Remove contacts if possible.

**If swallowed**

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

## Section 5: Fire-Fighting Measures

**5.1 Conditions of flammability**

Flammable in the presence of a source of ignition, through friction or retained heat. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flame/hot surface. No smoking.

**5.2 Suitable extinguishing media**

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

**5.3 Hazardous combustion products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions: Tungsten oxides

**5.4 Special protective equipment for firefighters**

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

**5.5 Further information**

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

## Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

**6.1 Personal precautions**

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.

**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. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## Section 7: Handling and Storage

**7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the buildup of electrostatic charge.

## 7.2 Conditions for safe storage

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

## Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

### 8.1 Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Tungsten	7440-33-7	TWA	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Canada. Alberta, Occupational Health and Safety Code (table 2: OEL)
		STEL	10 ppm	Canada. Alberta, Occupational Health and Safety Code (table 2: OEL)
		TWA	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Canada. British Columbia OEL
		STEL	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Canada. British Columbia OEL
		TWAEV	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Québec. Regulation respecting occupational health and safety, Schedule 1, Part 1: Permissible exposure values for airborne contaminants
		STEV	10mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Québec. Regulation respecting occupational health and safety, Schedule 1, Part 1: Permissible exposure values for airborne contaminants
		TWA	3 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)

#### Remarks

Occupational exposure limit is based on irritation effects and its adjustment to compensate for unusual work schedules is not required.

### 8.2 Personal protective equipment

#### 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).

#### Hand 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.

#### Eye 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 and body protection

Impervious clothing, 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.

### Hygiene measures

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

### Specific engineering controls

Use mechanical exhaust or laboratory fume hood to avoid exposure.

## Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

### Appearance

Form	Powder
Colour	Gray

### Safety Data

pH	No data available
Melting point/freezing point	3,410 °C (6,170 °F)
Boiling point	5,660 °C 10,220 °F
Flash point	Not applicable
Flammability (solid, gas)	The substance or mixture is a flammable solid with the category 1.
Ignition temperature	No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	Self-heating in large quantities; may catch fire.
Lower explosion limit	No data available
Upper explosion limit	No data available
Vapour pressure	No data available
Density	19.3 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 25 °C (77 °F)
Water solubility	No data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	Not applicable for inorganic substances
Relative vapour density	No data available
Odour	No data available
Odour Threshold	No data available
Evaporation rate	No data available

## Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

### 10.1 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions

### 10.2 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Violent reactions possible with:

Metallic oxides, halogens, halogen-halogen compounds, fluorine, oxidizing agents, peroxi compounds, nitril compounds, hydrogen sulphide, potassium dichromate

### 10.3 Conditions to avoid

Heat, flames and sparks. Extremes of temperature and direct sunlight.

### 10.4 Materials to avoid

Strong oxidizing agents, halogens

### 10.5 Hazardous decomposition products

See section 5

## Section 11: Toxicological Information

### Acute toxicity

#### Oral

LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - > 2,000 mg/kg  
(OECD Test Guideline 401)

#### Inhalation

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4 h - > 5.4 mg/l - aerosol  
(OECD Test Guideline 403)

#### Dermal

LD50 Dermal - Rat - male and female - > 2,000 mg/kg  
(OECD Test Guideline 402)

#### Other information on acute toxicity

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

Test Type: Mutagenicity (mammal cell test): chromosome aberration.

Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 473

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: Ames test

Test system: Escherichia coli/Salmonella typhimurium

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 471

Result: negative

Test Type: Micronucleus test

Species: Mouse

Application Route: Oral

Method: OECD Test Guideline 474

Result: negative

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Sodium tungstate

**Carcinogenicity**

No data available

**Reproductive toxicity**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)**

No data available

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available

**Signs and Symptoms of Exposure**

No data available

**Additional Information**

Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - male and female - Oral - 90 Days - NOAEL (No observed adverse effect level) - 75 mg/kg - LOAEL (Lowest observed adverse effect level) - 125 mg/kg

The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Disodium wolframate dihydrate

Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - male and female - inhalation (dust/mist/fume) - 28 Days - NOAEL (No observed adverse effect level) - > 0.65 mg/kg

Remarks: (in analogy to similar products)

RTECS: YO7175000

**Section 12: Ecological Information**

**12.1 Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish	Static test LC50 - Danio rerio (zebra fish) - > 181 mg/l - 96 h (OECD Test Guideline 203) The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Disodium wolframate dihydrate
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	Static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - > 163 mg/l - 48 h (OECD Test Guideline 202) The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Disodium wolframate dihydrate
Toxicity to algae	Static test ErC50 - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata - 52.9 mg/l - 72 h (OECD Test Guideline 201) The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Sodium tungstate
Toxicity to bacteria	Static test EC50 - activated sludge - > 1,000 mg/l - 30 min (OECD Test Guideline 209)
Toxicity to fish (Chronic toxicity)	LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 15.61 mg/l - 28 d Remarks: (ECOTOX Database)

Flow-through test NOEC - Danio rerio (zebra fish) - 10 mg/l – 38 d  
(OECD Test Guideline 210)  
The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Sodium tungstate

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates (Chronic toxicity)      Static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - > 100 mg/l - 21 d  
(OECD Test Guideline 211)

#### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

No data available

#### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Poecilia reticulata (guppy) - 0.007 mg/l (Tungsten powder)  
Bioconcentration factor (BCF): 0.29  
(US-EPA)

#### 12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

#### 12.5 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

### Section 13: Disposal Considerations

#### Product

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

#### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

### Section 14: Transport Information

#### IATA

UN number: UN3089    Class: 4.1    Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Metal powders, flammable, n.o.s. (Tungsten)

### Section 15: Regulatory Information

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and the SDS contains all the information required by the HPR

## Section 16: Other Information

### **Further information**

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