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### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Germanium Nitride

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### 2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Formula :  $\text{Ge}_3\text{N}_4$   
Molecular Weight : 273.95 g/mol

CAS-No. EC-No.		Index-No. Con	centration
<b>Trigermanium tetranitride</b>			
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### 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Emergency Overview

##### OSHA Hazards

No known OSHA hazards

#### HMIS Classification

Health Hazard: 0

Flammability: 0

Physical hazards: 0

#### NFPA Rating

Health Hazard: 0

Fire: 0

Reactivity Hazard: 0

#### Potential Health Effects

**Inhalation** May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.

**Skin** May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.

**Eyes** May cause eye irritation.

**Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed.

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**General advice**

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

**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**

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

**If swallowed**

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

**5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES****Flammable properties**

Flash point no data available

Ignition temperature no data available

**Suitable extinguishing media**

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

**Special protective equipment for fire-fighters**

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES****Personal precautions**

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing dust. Ensure adequate ventilation.

**Environmental precautions**

Do not let product enter drains.

**Methods for cleaning up**

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE****Handling**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.

**Storage**

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

Keep in a dry place.

**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

**Personal protective equipment****Respiratory protection**

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a dust mask type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN 143) respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

**Hand protection**

For prolonged or repeated contact use protective gloves.

**Eye protection**

Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166

**Skin and body protection**

Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the dangerous substance at the work place.

**Hygiene measures**

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

**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES****Appearance**

Form powder

Colour white

**Safety data**

pH	no data available
Melting point	> 850 °C (> 1,562 °F) - lit.
Boiling point	no data available
Flash point	no data available
Ignition temperature	no data available
Lower explosion limit	no data available
Upper explosion limit	no data available
Density	5.35 g/mL at 25 °C (77 °F)
Water solubility	no data available

**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY****Storage stability**

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

**Conditions to avoid**

Avoid moisture.

**Materials to avoid**

Strong oxidizing agents

**Hazardous decomposition products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - nitrogen oxides (NOx), Germanium oxides

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Acute toxicity**

no data available

**Irritation and corrosion**

no data available

**Sensitisation**

no data available

### Chronic exposure

- 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.
- ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.
- 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 identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

### Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

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

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Elimination information (persistence and degradability)

no data available

### Ecotoxicity effects

no data available

### Further information on ecology

no data available

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## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Product

Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations.

### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### DOT (US)

Not dangerous goods

### IMDG

Not dangerous goods

### IATA

Not dangerous goods

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## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**OSHA Hazards**

No known OSHA hazards

**DSL Status**

This product contains the following components listed on the Canadian NDSL list. All other components are on the Canadian DSL list.

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**SARA 302 Components**

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

**SARA 313 Components**

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.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**

No SARA Hazards

**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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**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

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**California Prop. 65 Components**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth, or any other reproductive defects.

**16. OTHER INFORMATION****Further information**

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