

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (5N) 99.999% Germanium Telluride Wafer

**Product Code:** GE-TE-05-WF

**CAS Number:** 12025-39-7

**Relevant identified uses of the substance:** Scientific research and development

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## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

GHS07

Acute Tox. 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC

Xn; Harmful

R22: Harmful if swallowed.

Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment:

Not applicable

Hazards not otherwise classified

No information known.

Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

The substance is classified and labeled according to the CLP regulation.

Hazard pictograms



GHS07

Signal word: Warning

Hazard statements  
H302 Harmful if swallowed.  
Precautionary statements  
P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.  
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
P301+P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/.../if you feel unwell.  
P330 Rinse mouth.  
P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.  
WHMIS classification  
Not controlled  
Classification system  
HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)  
(Hazardous Materials Identification System)  
Health (acute effects) = 1  
Flammability = 0  
Physical Hazard = 1  
Other hazards  
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment  
PBT: Not applicable.  
vPvB: Not applicable.

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

Chemical characterization: Substances  
CAS# Description:  
12025-39-7 Germanium(II) telluride  
Identification number(s):  
EC number: 234-706-7

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### **SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

Description of first aid measures  
After inhalation  
Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.  
Seek immediate medical advice.  
After skin contact  
Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.  
Seek immediate medical advice.  
After eye contact  
Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.  
After swallowing  
Seek medical treatment.  
Information for doctor  
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed  
No further relevant information available.  
Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed  
No further relevant information available.

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## **SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing agents

Product is not flammable. Use fire-fighting measures that suit the surrounding fire.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:

Tellurium dioxide (TeO<sub>2</sub>)

Germanium oxide

Advice for firefighters

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

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## **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Environmental precautions:

Do not allow product to reach sewage system or any water course.

Do not allow to penetrate the ground/soil.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:

Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to section 13.

Prevention of secondary hazards:

No special measures required.

Reference to other sections

See Section 7 for information on safe handling

See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

See Section 13 for disposal information.

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## **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Handling

Precautions for safe handling

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.

Ensure good ventilation at the workplace.

Information about protection against explosions and fires:

The product is not flammable

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage

Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:

No special requirements.

Information about storage in one common storage facility:

Do not store together with acids.

Store away from oxidizing agents.

Further information about storage conditions:

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

Specific end use(s)

No further relevant information available.

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## SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Additional information about design of technical systems:

Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

Control parameters

Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:

12025-39-7 Germanium(II) telluride (100.0%)

TLV (USA) Long-term value: 0.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup> as Te

Additional information: No data

Exposure controls

Personal protective equipment

General protective and hygienic measures

The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.

Breathing equipment:

Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.

Recommended filter device for short term use:

Use a respirator with type N95 (USA) or PE (EN 143) cartridges as a backup to engineering controls.

Risk assessment should be performed to determine if air-purifying respirators are appropriate. Only use equipment tested and approved under appropriate government standards.

Protection of hands: Impervious gloves

Check protective gloves prior to each use for their proper condition.

The selection of suitable gloves not only depends on the material, but also on quality. Quality will vary from manufacturer to manufacturer.

Penetration time of glove material (in minutes)

Not determined

Eye protection: Safety glasses

Body protection: Protective work clothing

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## SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

General Information

Appearance:

Form: Solid in various forms

Odor: Odorless

Odor threshold: Not determined.

pH-value: Not applicable.

Change in condition

Melting point/Melting range: 725 °C (1337 °F)

Boiling point/Boiling range: Not determined

Sublimation temperature / start: Not determined

Flammability (solid, gaseous): Not determined.

Ignition temperature: Not determined

Decomposition temperature: Not determined

Auto igniting: Not determined.  
Danger of explosion: Not determined.  
Explosion limits:  
Lower: Not determined  
Upper: Not determined  
Vapor pressure: Not applicable.  
Density at 20 °C (68 °F): 6.14 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (51.238 lbs/gal)  
Relative density: Not determined.  
Vapor density: Not applicable.  
Evaporation rate: Not applicable.  
Solubility in / Miscibility with Water: Insoluble  
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): Not determined.  
Viscosity:  
dynamic: Not applicable.  
kinematic: Not applicable.  
Other information  
No further relevant information available.

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## **SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity  
No information known.  
Chemical stability  
Stable under recommended storage conditions.  
Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:  
Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.  
Possibility of hazardous reactions  
Reacts with strong oxidizing agents  
Conditions to avoid  
No further relevant information available.  
Incompatible materials:  
Acids  
Oxidizing agents  
Hazardous decomposition products:  
Tellurium dioxide (TeO<sub>2</sub>)  
Germanium oxide

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## **SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Information on toxicological effects  
Acute toxicity:  
Harmful if swallowed.  
LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification: No data  
Skin irritation or corrosion: May cause irritation  
Eye irritation or corrosion: May cause irritation  
Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.  
Germ cell mutagenicity: No effects known.  
Carcinogenicity:  
No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.  
Reproductive toxicity: No effects known.

Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure: No effects known.  
Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure: No effects known.  
Aspiration hazard: No effects known.  
Subacute to chronic toxicity: No effects known.  
Additional toxicological information:  
To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

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## **SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Toxicity

Aquatic toxicity:

No further relevant information available.

Persistence and degradability

No further relevant information available.

Bioaccumulative potential

No further relevant information available.

Mobility in soil

No further relevant information available.

Additional ecological information:

General notes:

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.

Avoid transfer into the environment.

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: Not applicable.

vPvB: Not applicable.

Other adverse effects

No further relevant information available.

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## **SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Waste treatment methods

Recommendation

Consult state, local or national regulations to ensure proper disposal.

Uncleaned packagings:

Recommendation:

Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

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## **SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

UN-Number

DOT, ADN, IMDG, IATA

Not applicable

UN proper shipping name

DOT, ADN, IMDG, IATA

Not applicable

Transport hazard class(es)

DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA

Class

Not applicable

Packing group  
DOT, IMDG, IATA  
Not applicable  
Environmental hazards:  
Not applicable.  
Special precautions for user  
Not applicable.  
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code  
Not applicable.  
Transport/Additional information:  
DOT  
Marine Pollutant (DOT):  
No  
UN "Model Regulation":  
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## **SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

National regulations

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.

All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL).

SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)

Substance is not listed.

California Proposition 65

Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer

Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity

Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female

Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male

Substance is not listed.

Information about limitation of use:

For use only by technically qualified individuals.

Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations

Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to the REACH Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006.

Substance is not listed.

The conditions of restrictions according to Article 67 and Annex XVII of the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) for the manufacturing, placing on the market and use must be observed.

Substance is not listed.

Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use)

Substance is not listed.

REACH - Pre-registered substances

Substance is listed.

Chemical safety assessment:

A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

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## **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

Safety Data Sheet according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH). The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. American Elements shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale. COPYRIGHT 1997-2022 AMERICAN ELEMENTS. LICENSED GRANTED TO MAKE UNLIMITED PAPER COPIES FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY.