

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

Date Printed: 05/21/2024

Date Revised: 01/15/2022

## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (5N) 99.999% Tantalum Selenide Powder

**Product Code:** TA-SE-05-P

**CAS Number:** 12039-55-3

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

Supplier details:

American Elements  
10884 Weyburn Ave.  
Los Angeles, CA 90024  
Tel: +1 310-208-0551  
Fax: +1 310-208-0351  
Emergency telephone number:  
+1 800-424-9300

## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Acute toxicity, Oral(Category 3), H301

Acute toxicity, Inhalation(Category 3), H331

Specific target organ toxicity -repeated exposure(Category 2), H373

Acute aquatic toxicity(Category 1), H400

Chronic aquatic toxicity(Category 1), H410

GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H301 + H331

Toxic if swallowed or if inhaled

H373

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

H410

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statement(s)

P260

Do not breathe dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ Vapors/ spray.

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.

P273

Avoid release to the environment.

P301 + P310 + P330

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. Rinse mouth.

P304 + P340 + P311

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/doctor.

P314

Get medical advice/ attention if you feel unwell.

P391

Collect spillage.

P403 + P233

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

P405

Store locked up.

P501

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

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS-none

---

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

Substances

Synonyms: Tantalum selenide

Formula: TaSe<sub>2</sub>

CAS-No.: 12039-55-3

---

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

Description of first aid measures

General advice

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

Move out of dangerous area.

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. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact

Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. 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) and/or in section 11  
Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed  
No data available

---

## **SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Extinguishing media  
Suitable extinguishing media  
Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.  
Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture  
No data available  
Advice for firefighters  
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.  
Further information  
No data available

---

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

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures  
Wear respiratory protection. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing Vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation.  
Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.  
For personal protection see section 8.  
Environmental precautions  
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.  
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up  
Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.  
Reference to other sections  
For disposal see section 13.

---

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

Precautions for safe handling  
Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.  
Further processing of solid materials may result in the formation of combustible dusts. The potential for combustible dust formation should be taken into consideration before additional processing occurs.  
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.  
For precautions see section 2.  
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities  
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.  
Store under nitrogen.  
Specific end use(s)  
Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1 no other specific uses are stipulated

---

## SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

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

Skin 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.

Body Protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N99 (US) or type P2 (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).

Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

---

## SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Form: solid

Odor

No data available

Odor Threshold

No data available

pH

No data available

Melting point/freezing point

No data available

Initial boiling point and boiling range

No data available

Flash point

No data available

Evaporation rate

No data available

Flammability (solid, gas)

No data available

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

No data available

Vapor pressure  
No data available  
Vapor density  
No data available  
Relative density  
No data available  
Water solubility  
No data available  
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water  
No data available  
Auto-ignition temperature  
No data available  
Decomposition temperature  
No data available  
Viscosity  
No data available  
Explosive properties  
No data available  
Oxidizing properties  
No data available  
Other safety information  
No data available

---

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

Reactivity  
No data available  
Chemical stability  
Stable under recommended storage conditions.  
Possibility of hazardous reactions  
No data available  
Conditions to avoid  
No data available  
Incompatible materials  
Strong oxidizing agents  
Hazardous decomposition products  
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions.-Tantalum Oxides,  
Selenium/selenium oxides  
Other decomposition products-No data available  
In the event of fire: see section 5

---

## **SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Information on toxicological effects  
Acute toxicity  
No data available  
Inhalation: No data available  
Dermal: No data available  
No data available  
Skin corrosion/irritation  
No data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

No data available

Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

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 identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

Reproductive toxicity

No data available

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity -single exposure

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity -repeated exposure

No data available

Aspiration hazard

No data available

Additional Information

RTECS: Not available

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

---

## SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

No data available

Persistence and degradability

No data available

Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

Mobility in soil

No data available

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

Other adverse effects

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

No data available

---

## SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods

Product

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.  
Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.  
Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.  
Contaminated packaging  
Dispose of as unused product.

---

## **SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

DOT (US)  
UN number: 3283  
Class: 6.1  
Packing group: III  
Proper shipping name: Selenium compound, solid, n.o.s.(Tantalum diselenide)  
Reportable Quantity(RQ):  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No  
IMDG  
UN number: 3283  
Class: 6.1  
Packing group: III  
EMS-No: F-A, S-A  
Proper shipping name: SELENIUM COMPOUND, SOLID, N.O.S.(Tantalum diselenide)  
Marine pollutant: yes  
IATA  
UN number: 3283  
Class: 6.1  
Packing group: III  
Proper shipping name: Selenium compound, solid, n.o.s.(Tantalum diselenide)

---

## **SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

SARA 302 Components  
No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.  
SARA 313 Components  
The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:  
Tantalum diselenide  
CAS-No.  
12039-55-3  
Revision Date  
2007-07-01  
SARA 311/312 Hazards  
Acute Health Hazard  
Massachusetts Right To Know Components  
No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.  
Pennsylvania Right To Know Components  
Tantalum diselenide  
CAS-No.  
12039-55-3  
Revision Date  
2007-07-01  
New Jersey Right To Know Components

Tantalum diselenide

CAS-No.

12039-55-3

Revision Date

2007-07-01

California Prop. 65 Components

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

---

## 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.