

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (3N) 99.9% Ytterbium(III) Nitrate Hydrate

**Product Code:** YB3-NAT-03-C.XHYD

**CAS Number:** 13768-67-7

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

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## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

GHS03 Flame over circle

Ox. Sol. 2 H272 May intensify fire; oxidizer.

GHS07

Skin Irrit. 2 H315 Causes skin irritation.

Eye Irrit. 2A H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

STOT SE 3 H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Hazards not otherwise classified No data available

GHS label elements, including precautionary statements



Hazard pictograms

GHS03 GHS07

Signal word Danger

Hazard statements

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P405 Store locked up.  
P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.  
WHMIS classification  
C - Oxidizing materials  
D2B - Toxic material causing other toxic effects  
Classification system  
HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)  
(Hazardous Materials Identification System)  
HEALTH  
FIRE  
REACTIVITY  
1  
0  
2  
Health (acute effects) = 1  
Flammability = 0  
Physical Hazard = 2  
Other hazards  
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment  
PBT: N/A  
vPvB: N/A

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

Substances  
CAS No. / Substance Name:  
Ytterbium(III) nitrate hydrate  
Identification number(s):  
EC number: 237-384-6

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

Description of first aid measures  
If inhaled:  
Supply patient with fresh air. If not breathing, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.  
Seek immediate medical advice.  
In case of skin contact:  
Immediately wash with soap and water; rinse thoroughly.  
Seek immediate medical advice.  
In case of eye contact:  
Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Consult a physician.

If swallowed:

Seek medical treatment.

Information for doctor

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed:

No data available

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed:

No data 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.

For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents Halocarbon extinguisher

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

This substance is an oxidizer and its heat of reaction with reducing agents or combustibles may cause ignition.

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

Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)

Metal oxide fume

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

Use personal protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Environmental precautions: Do not allow product to enter drains, sewage systems, or other water courses.

Methods and materials for containment and cleanup: Ensure adequate ventilation.

Prevention of secondary hazards:

Acts as an oxidizing agent on organic materials such as wood, paper and fats

Keep away from combustible material.

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

Handle under dry protective gas.

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:

Substance/product can reduce the ignition temperature of flammable substances.  
This substance is an oxidizer and its heat of reaction with reducing agents or combustibles may cause ignition.  
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities  
Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles: No special requirements.  
Information about storage in one common storage facility:  
Store away from flammable substances.  
Store away from reducing agents.  
Do not store with organic materials.  
Store away from metal powders.  
Store away from water/moisture.  
Further information about storage conditions:  
Store under dry inert gas.  
This product is hygroscopic.  
Keep container tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry conditions in well-sealed containers.  
Protect from humidity and water.  
Specific end use(s) No data 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:  
None.  
Additional information: No data  
Exposure controls  
Personal protective equipment  
Follow typical protective and hygienic practices for handling chemicals.  
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.  
Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.  
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.  
Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.  
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 airpurifying respirators are appropriate. Only use equipment tested and approved under appropriate government standards.  
Protection of hands:  
Impervious gloves  
Inspect gloves prior to use.  
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) No data available  
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

Appearance:

Form: Crystalline

Color: White

Odor: Odorless

Odor threshold: No data available.

pH (200 g/l) at 20 °C (68 °F): 3

Melting point/Melting range: No data available

Boiling point/Boiling range: No data available

Sublimation temperature / start: No data available

Flammability (solid, gas) Contact with combustible material may cause fire.

Ignition temperature: No data available

Decomposition temperature: No data available

Autoignition: No data available.

Danger of explosion: No data available.

Explosion limits:

Lower: No data available

Upper: No data available

Vapor pressure: N/A

Density: No data available

Relative density No data available.

Vapor density N/A

Evaporation rate N/A

Solubility in / Miscibility with

Water: Soluble

Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): No data available.

Viscosity:

Dynamic: N/A

Kinematic: N/A

Other information No data available

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## SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity May intensify fire; oxidizer.

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 reducing agents

Reacts with flammable substances

Conditions to avoid No data available

Incompatible materials:

Flammable substances

Reducing agents

Water/moisture

Organic materials

Metal powders

Hazardous decomposition products:

Nitrogen oxides

Metal oxide fume

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## SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity: The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains acute toxicity data for this substance.

LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:

Oral LD50 3100 mg/kg (rat)

Skin irritation or corrosion: Causes skin irritation.

Eye irritation or corrosion: Causes serious eye 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: May cause respiratory irritation.

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 data available

Persistence and degradability No data available

Bioaccumulative potential No data available

Mobility in soil No data available

Additional ecological information:

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities to reach groundwater, water courses, or sewage systems.

Avoid transfer into the environment.

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: N/A

vPvB: N/A

Other adverse effects No data available

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## SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods

Recommendation Consult official regulations to ensure proper disposal.

Uncleaned packagings:

Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

Recommended cleansing agent: Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

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## SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN-Number

DOT, IMDG, IATA UN1477  
UN proper shipping name  
DOT Nitrates, inorganic, n.o.s. (Ytterbium(III) nitrate hydrate)  
IMDG, IATA NITRATES, INORGANIC, N.O.S. (Ytterbium(III) nitrate hydrate)  
Transport hazard class(es)  
DOT  
Class 5.1 Oxidising substances.  
Label 5.1  
Class 5.1 (O2) Oxidizing substances  
Label 5.1  
IMDG, IATA  
Class 5.1 Oxidising substances.  
Label 5.1  
Packing group  
DOT, IMDG, IATA III  
Environmental hazards: N/A  
Special precautions for user Warning: Oxidizing substances  
EMS Number: F-A,S-Q  
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code N/A  
Transport/Additional information:  
DOT  
Marine Pollutant (DOT): No  
UN "Model Regulation": UN1477, Nitrates, inorganic, n.o.s. (Ytterbium(III) nitrate hydrate), 5.1, III

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## SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

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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.  
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.