



**GERMANIUM**  
**CAS No 7440-56-4**

**MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET**  
**SDS/MSDS**

**SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking**

**1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : Germanium

CAS-No. : 7440-56-4

**1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Industrial & for professional use only.

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

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**1.4 Emergency telephone number**

Emergency Phone # : +91 11 49404040 (9:00am - 6:00 pm) [Office hours]

**SECTION 2: Hazards identification**

**2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture**

**Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**

Skin irritation (Category 2), H315

Eye irritation (Category 2), H319

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

**2.2 Label elements**

Not a hazardous substance or mixture according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008.

### 2.3 Other hazards

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1 Substances

Formula : Ge  
Molecular weight : 72.64 g/mol  
CAS-No. : 7440-56-4  
EC-No. : 231-164-3

#### Hazardous ingredients according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Component		Classification	Concentration
<b>Germanium</b>			
CAS-No.	7440-56-4	Skin Irrit. 2; Eye Irrit. 2; STOT	<= 100 %
EC-No.	231-164-3	SE 3; H315, H319, H335	

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## 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.

#### 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.

### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

### 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

#### Suitable extinguishing media

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

## 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Germanium oxides

## 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

## 5.4 Further information

No data available

## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust. For personal protection see section 8.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains.

### 6.3 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.

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

## 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. For precautions see section 2.2.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in cool place. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Storage class (TRGS 510): Non Combustible Solids

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1 Control parameters

### 8.2 Exposure controls

#### Appropriate engineering controls

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

#### Personal protective equipment

##### Eye/face 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 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

Impervious clothing, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

##### Respiratory protection

For nuisance exposures use type P95 (US) or type P1 (EU EN 143) particle r (US) or type ABEK-P2 (EU EN 143) respirator cartridges. Use respirators and components tested and approved under

appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

### **Control of environmental exposure**

Do not let product enter drains.

## **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

### **9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

a) Appearance	Form: lump Colour: grey, white
b) Odour	odourless
c) Odour Threshold	No data available
d) pH	No data available
e) Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: 937 °C - lit.
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	2,830 °C - lit.
g) Flash point	Not applicable
h) Evaporation rate	No data available
i) Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available
j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available
k) Vapour pressure	No data available
l) Vapour density	No data available
m) Relative density	5.35 g/mL at 25 °C
n) Water solubility	insoluble
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	No data available
p) Auto-ignition temperature	No data available
q) Decomposition temperature	No data available
r) Viscosity	No data available
s) Explosive properties	No data available
t) Oxidizing properties	No data available

### **9.2 Other safety information**

No data available

## **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

### **10.1 Reactivity**

No data available

### **10.2 Chemical stability**

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### **10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions**

No data available

### **10.4 Conditions to avoid**

No data available

### **10.5 Incompatible materials**

Strong oxidizing agents, Halogens, Water, Sulfuric acid, Molten alkali metals, Nitrates, Carbonates

## 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Germanium oxides

Other decomposition products - No data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

No data available(Germanium)

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

No data available(Germanium)

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

No data available(Germanium)

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available(Germanium)

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available(Germanium)

#### 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.

#### Reproductive toxicity

No data available(Germanium)

#### Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation.(Germanium)

#### Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

#### Aspiration hazard

No data available(Germanium)

#### Additional Information

RTECS: LY5200000

Liver injury may occur., Kidney injury may occur., Blood disorders, Cough, Difficulty in breathing(Germanium)

## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### 12.1 Toxicity

No data available

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

No data available

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available(Germanium)

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

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