

Material Safety Data Sheet

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1 Identification of substance:**Product details:****Product name:** Tetramethylgermanium**Stock number:** 34120**Manufacturer/Supplier:**

Alfa Aesar, A Johnson Matthey Company
 Johnson Matthey Catalog Company, Inc.
 30 Bond Street
 Ward Hill, MA 01835-8099
 Emergency Phone: (978) 521-6300
 CHEMTREC: (800) 424-9300
 Web Site: www.alfa.com

Information Department: Health, Safety and Environmental Department**Emergency information:**

During normal hours the Health, Safety and Environmental Department. After normal hours call Chemtrec at (800) 424-9300.

2 Composition/Data on components:**Chemical characterization:****Description: (CAS#)**

Tetramethylgermanium (CAS# 865-52-1); 1005

Identification number(s):**EINECS Number:** 212-745-0**3 Hazards identification****Hazard description:***F Highly flammable***Information pertaining to particular dangers for man and environment**

R 11 Highly flammable.

Classification system**HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)****(Hazardous Materials Identification System)**

HEALTH	2
FIRE	3
REACTIVITY	1

Health (acute effects) = 2

Flammability = 3

Reactivity = 1

GHS label elements**Danger**

2.6/2 - Highly flammable liquid and vapour.

Prevention:

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

Keep container tightly closed.

Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.

Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/ equipment.

Use only non-sparking tools.

Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

Response:

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

In case of fire: Use for extinction: CO₂, powder or water spray.**Storage:**

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.

Disposal:

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

4 First aid measures**After inhalation**

Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.

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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 immediate medical advice.**5 Fire fighting measures****Suitable extinguishing agents**

Carbon dioxide, extinguishing powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.

Special hazards caused by the material, its products of combustion or resulting gases:

In case of fire, the following can be released:

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

Metal oxide fume

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

6 Accidental release measures**Person-related safety precautions:**

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Keep away from ignition sources

Measures for environmental protection:

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

Measures for cleaning/collecting:

Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Keep away from ignition sources.

Additional information:

See Section 7 for information on safe handling

See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

See Section 13 for disposal information.

7 Handling and storage**Handling****Information 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:

Keep ignition sources away.

Protect against electrostatic charges.

Fumes can combine with air to form an explosive mixture.

Storage**Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** Store in a cool location.**Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Store away from oxidizing agents.**Further information about storage conditions:**

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

8 Exposure controls and 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.

Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace: Not required.**Additional information:** No data**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.

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Breathing equipment:

Use suitable respiratory protective device in case of insufficient ventilation.
 Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.

Protection of hands: Impervious gloves**Eye protection:** Safety glasses**Body protection:** Protective work clothing.**9 Physical and chemical properties:****General Information**

Form:	Liquid
Color:	Colorless
Odor:	Not determined

Change in condition

Melting point/Melting range:	-88°C (-126°F)
Boiling point/Boiling range:	43.3°C (110°F)
Sublimation temperature / start:	Not determined

Flash point:	-18°C (-0°F)
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Ignition temperature:	Not determined
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Decomposition temperature:	Not determined
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Explosion limits:

Lower:	Not determined
Upper:	Not determined

Vapor pressure at 20°C (68°F):	9 hPa (7 mm Hg)
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Density at 20°C (68°F):	0.975 g/cm ³
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10 Stability and reactivity**Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**

Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.

Materials to be avoided: Oxidizing agents**Dangerous reactions** No dangerous reactions known**Dangerous products of decomposition:**

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

Metal oxide fume

11 Toxicological information**Acute toxicity:****LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:**

Inhalative	LC50	>2500 mg/m3 (mouse)
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Primary irritant effect:**on the skin:** Irritant to skin and mucous membranes.**on the eye:** Irritating effect.**Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.**Subacute to chronic toxicity:**

Germanium compounds generally have a low order of toxicity. High doses have resulted in kidney and bladder injury. The anion and compound reactivity may contribute the greater part of the toxicity.

Additional toxicological information:

To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.

12 Ecological information:**General notes:**

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

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

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13 Disposal considerations**Product:****Recommendation** Consult state, local or national regulations to ensure proper disposal.**Uncleaned packagings:****Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.**14 Transport information****DOT regulations:**

Hazard class: 3
Identification number: UN1993
Packing group: II
Proper shipping name (technical name): FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S. (Tetramethylgermanium)
Label: 3

Land transport ADR/RID (cross-border)

ADR/RID class: 3 (F1) Flammable liquids
Danger code (Kemler): 33
UN-Number: 1993
Packaging group: II
Description of goods: 1993 FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S. (Tetramethylgermanium)

Maritime transport IMDG:

IMDG Class: 3
UN Number: 1993
Label: 3
Packaging group: II
Proper shipping name: FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S. (Tetramethylgermanium)

Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:

ICAO/IATA Class: 3
UN/ID Number: 1993
Label: 3
Packaging group: II
Proper shipping name: FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S. (Tetramethylgermanium)

UN "Model Regulation": UN1993, FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S., 3, II

15 Regulations**Product related hazard informations:****Hazard symbols:**

F Highly flammable

Risk phrases:

11 Highly flammable.

Safety phrases:

9 Keep container in a well-ventilated place.

16 Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking.

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33 Take precautionary measures against static discharges.
60 This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste.

National regulations

This product is not listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical Substance Inventory. Use of this product is restricted to research and development only.

Information about limitation of use: For use only by technically qualified individuals.

16 Other information:

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

Department issuing MSDS: Health, Safety and Environmental Department.

Contact: Zachariah Holt

Abbreviations and acronyms:

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)

RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

DOT: US Department of Transportation

IATA: International Air Transport Association

IATA-DGR: Dangerous Goods Regulations by the "International Air Transport Association" (IATA)

ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization

ICAO-TI: Technical Instructions by the "International Civil Aviation Organization" (ICAO)

GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)

LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent

LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

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