1 Identification

Product identifier

Product name: Osmium(VIII) oxide

Stock number: 12103, L00491
CAS Number:
20816-12-0
EC number:
244-058-7
Index number:
076-001-00-5
Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against.
Identified use: SU24 Scientific research and development

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet
Manufacturer/Supplier:
Alfa Aesar
Thermo Fisher Scientific Chemicals, Inc.
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Ward Hill, MA 01835-8099
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Email: tech@alfa.com
www.alfa.com
Information Department: Health, Safety and Environmental Department
Emergency telephone number:
During normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8am-7pm EST), call (800) 343-0660. After normal business hours, call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

2 Hazard(s) identification

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


GHS06 Skull and crossbones

Acute Tox. 2 H300 Fatal if swallowed.
Acute Tox. 1 H310 Fatal in contact with skin.
Acute Tox. 2 H330 Fatal if inhaled.


GHS05 Corrosion

Skin Corr. 1B H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
Hazards not otherwise classified No information known.

Label elements
GHS label elements The product is classified and labeled in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)
Hazard pictograms


GHS05 GHS06

Signal word Danger
Hazard statements
H300+H310+H330 Fatal if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled.
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
Precautionary statements
P301+P310 IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.
P303+P361+P353 If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
P305+P351+P338 If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P320 Specific treatment is urgent (see on this label).
P405 Store locked up.
P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
WHMIS classification
D1A - Very toxic material causing immediate and serious toxic effects
D2B - Toxic material causing other toxic effects
E - Corrosive material

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

Health (acute effects) = 4
Flammability = 0
Physical Hazard = 1

Other hazards
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT: Not applicable.
vPvB: Not applicable.

3 Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical characterization: Substances
CAS# Description:
20816-12-0 Osmium(VIII) oxide
Concentration: ≤100%

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4 First-aid measures

Description of first aid measures
General information
Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.
Remove breathing apparatus only after contaminated clothing has been completely removed.
In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.
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 Do not induce vomiting; immediately call for medical help.
Information for doctor
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed
Causes severe skin burns.
Fatal if inhaled.
Fatal in contact with skin.
Fatal if swallowed.
Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed No further relevant information available.

5 Fire-fighting 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:
Advice for firefighters
Protective equipment:
Wear self-contained respirator.
Wear fully protective impervious suit.

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 material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.
Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:
Use neutralizing agent.
Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to section 13.
Ensure adequate ventilation.
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.
Protective Action Criteria for Chemicals
PAC-1: 6.00E-04 ppm
PAC-2: 0.0084 ppm
PAC-3: 4.0 ppm

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.
Open and handle container with care.
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:
Store away from oxidizing agents.
Do not store together with acids.
Store away from reducing agents.
Do not store with organic materials.
Store away from metal powders.
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.

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:	
20816-12-0 Osmium(VIII) oxide (100.0%)	
PEL (USA)	Long-term value: 0.002* mg/m³ *as Os
REL (USA)	Short-term value: 0.006 mg/m³, 0.0006 ppm Long-term value: 0.002 mg/m³, 0.0002 ppm

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TLV (USA)	Short-term value: 0.0047 mg/m³, 0.0006 ppm Long-term value: 0.0016 mg/m³, 0.0002 ppm
EL (Canada)	Short-term value: 0.0006 ppm Long-term value: 0.0002 ppm
EV (Canada)	Short-term value: 0.006 mg/m³, 0.0006 ppm Long-term value: 0.002 mg/m³, 0.0002 ppm as osmium

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.
Store protective clothing separately.
Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.
Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.
Breathing equipment: Use self-contained respiratory protective device in emergency situations.
Recommended filter device for short term use:
Use a respirator with type P100 (USA) or P3 (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.
Material of gloves Latex/chloroprene
Penetration time of glove material (in minutes) 480

Glove thickness: 0.6 mm
Eye protection:
Tightly sealed goggles
Full face protection
Safety glasses with side shields / NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU)
Body protection: Protective work clothing.

9 Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties
General Information

Appearance:	
Form:	Crystalline
Odor:	Like chlorine
Odor threshold:	Not determined.
pH-value:	Not applicable.
Change in condition	
Melting point/Melting range:	40.6 °C (105 °F)
Boiling point/Boiling range:	130 °C (266 °F)
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 at 20 °C (68 °F):	10 hPa (8 mm Hg)
Density:	Not determined
Relative density	Not determined.
Vapor density	Not applicable.
Evaporation rate	Not applicable.
Solubility in / Miscibility with	
Water:	Slightly soluble
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):	Not determined.
Viscosity:	
dynamic:	Not applicable.
kinematic:	Not applicable.
Other information	No further relevant information available.

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 No dangerous reactions known
Conditions to avoid No further relevant information available.
Incompatible materials:
Acids
Oxidizing agents
Reducing agents
Organic materials
Metal powders

11 Toxicological information

Information on toxicological effects
Acute toxicity:
Fatal if inhaled.
Fatal in contact with skin.

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Fatal if swallowed.
Danger through skin absorption.
Swallowing will lead to a strong corrosive effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach.
The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains acute toxicity data for components in this product.
LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification: No data
Skin irritation or corrosion: Causes severe skin burns.
Eye irritation or corrosion: Causes serious eye damage.
Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.
Germ cell mutagenicity: The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains mutation data for this substance.
Carcinogenicity: No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.
Reproductive toxicity: The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains reproductive data for this substance.
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.

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 product to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.
Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.
Danger to drinking water if even small quantities leak into the ground.
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.

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.

14 Transport information

UN-Number **DOT, IMDG, IATA**	UN2471
UN proper shipping name **DOT** **ADR** **IMDG** **IATA**	 Osmium tetroxide 2471 Osmium tetroxide OSMIUM TETROXIDE, MARINE POLLUTANT OSMIUM TETROXIDE
Transport hazard class(es)	
DOT	
	
Class **Label**	6.1 Toxic substances 6.1
ADR	
	
Class **Label**	6.1 (T5) Toxic substances 6.1
IMDG	
	
Class **Label**	6.1 Toxic substances 6.1
IATA	
	
Class **Label**	6.1 Toxic substances 6.1
Packing group **DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA**	I
Environmental hazards: **Marine pollutant (IMDG):**	 Yes (DOT) Symbol (fish and tree)
Special precautions for user **EMS Number:**	Warning: Toxic substances F-A,S-A

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Stowage Category	B
Stowage Code	SW2 Clear of living quarters.
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable.
Transport/Additional information:	
DOT	
Quantity limitations	On passenger aircraft/rail: 5 kg On cargo aircraft only: 50 kg
Hazardous substance:	1000 lbs, 454 kg
Marine Pollutant (DOT):	No
Remarks:	Special marking with the symbol (fish and tree).
IMDG	
Limited quantities (LQ)	0
Excepted quantities (EQ)	Code: E5 Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 1 g Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 300 g
UN "Model Regulation":	UN 2471 OSMIUM TETROXIDE, 6.1, I

15 Regulatory information

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture
GHS label elements The product is classified and labeled in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)
Hazard pictograms

GHS05 GHS06

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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 Domestic Substances List (DSL).

SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)	
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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.

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 Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

Department issuing SDS: Global Marketing Department
Date of preparation/Revision: Print date, revision date and version number are in the header of each page.
Abbreviations and acronyms:
RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)
ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organisation
ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)
IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods
DOT: US Department of Transportation
IATA: International Air Transport Association
EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances
CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)
HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)
WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada)
LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent
LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent
PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
SVHC: Substances of Very High Concern
vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative
ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (USA)
OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (USA)
NTP: National Toxicology Program (USA)
IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer
EPA: Environmental Protection Agency (USA)
Acute Tox. 2: Acute toxicity – Category 2
Acute Tox. 1: Acute toxicity – Category 1
Skin Corr. 1B: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 1B