

**Material Safety Data Sheet**

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**1 Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking****Product identifier****Product name:** Erbium foil**Stock number:** 00593**CAS Number:**

7440-52-0

**EINECS Number:**

231-160-1

**Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against.****Sector of Use** SU24 Scientific research and development**Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet****Manufacturer/Supplier:**

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**Information Department:** Health, Safety and Environmental Department**Emergency telephone number:**

During normal hours the Health, Safety and Environmental Department at (800) 343-0660. After normal hours call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

**2 Hazards identification****Classification of the substance or mixture**

The substance is not classified according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).

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**Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC** Not applicable**Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment:**

Fine powder:

R 11 Highly flammable  
-----**Label elements****Labelling according to EU guidelines:**

Observe the general safety regulations when handling chemicals

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

HEALTH	1
FIRE	1
REACTIVITY	2

Health (acute effects) = 1

Flammability = 1

Reactivity = 2

**Other hazards****Results of PBT and vPvB assessment****PBT:** Not applicable.**vPvB:** Not applicable.**3 Composition/information on ingredients****Chemical characterization: Substances****(CAS#) Description:**

Erbium (CAS# 7440-52-0), 100%

**Identification number(s):****EINECS Number:** 231-160-1**4 First aid measures****Description of first aid measures****General information** No special measures required.**After inhalation** Seek medical treatment in case of complaints.**After skin contact** Generally the product does not irritate the skin.**After eye contact**

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. If symptoms persist, consult a doctor.

**After swallowing** Seek medical treatment.

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**5 Firefighting measures****Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing agents** Extinguishing powder. Do not use water.**For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents** Water**Advice for firefighters****Protective equipment:** No special measures required.**6 Accidental release measures****Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures** Not required.**Environmental precautions:**

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

**Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:** Pick up mechanically.**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.

**7 Handling and storage****Handling****Precautions for safe handling**

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.

No special precautions are necessary if used correctly.

**Information about protection against explosions and fires:** No special measures required.**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:**

Do not store together with oxidizing and acidic materials.

Store away from halogens.

**Further information about storage conditions:** Store under dry inert gas.**8 Exposure controls/personal protection****Additional information about design of technical systems:** No further data; see item 7.**Control parameters****Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:** Not required.**Additional information:** No data**Exposure controls****Personal protective equipment****General protective and hygienic measures**

The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.

**Breathing equipment:** Not required.**Protection of hands:** Not required.**Eye protection:** Safety glasses**Body protection:** Protective work clothing.**9 Physical and chemical properties****Information on basic physical and chemical properties****General Information****Appearance:****Form:**

Foil

**Color:**

Silver grey

**Odor:**

Odorless

**Odour threshold:**

Not determined.

**pH-value:**

Not applicable.

**Change in condition****Melting point/Melting range:**

1529°C (2784 °F)

**Boiling point/Boiling range:**

2900°C (5252 °F)

**Sublimation temperature / start:**

Not determined

**Flash point:**

Not applicable

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<b>Flammability (solid, gaseous)</b>	Product is not flammable. Powder: flammable
<b>Ignition temperature:</b>	Not determined
<b>Decomposition temperature:</b>	Not determined
<b>Auto igniting:</b>	Not determined.
<b>Danger of explosion:</b>	Product does not present an explosion hazard.
<b>Explosion limits:</b>	
Lower:	Not determined
Upper:	Not determined
<b>Vapor pressure:</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Density at 20°C (68 °F):</b>	9.05. g/cm <sup>3</sup>
<b>Relative density</b>	Not determined.
<b>Vapour density</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Segregation coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b>	Not determined.
<b>Viscosity:</b>	
dynamic:	Not applicable.
kinematic:	Not applicable.
<b>Other information</b>	No further relevant information available.

**10 Stability and reactivity****Reactivity****Chemical stability****Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**

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

**Possibility of hazardous reactions**

Powder: contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases.

**Incompatible materials:**

Oxidizing agents

Acids

Halogens

Water/moisture

Air

**Hazardous decomposition products:** Metal oxide fume**11 Toxicological information****Information on toxicological effects****Acute toxicity:****Primary irritant effect:****on the skin:** No irritant effect.**on the eye:** No irritant effect.**Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.**Subacute to chronic toxicity:**

Lanthanons can cause delayed blood clotting leading to hemorrhages. Exposure may also lead to sensitivity to heat, itching, increased awareness of odor and taste, and liver damage.

**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****Acquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.**Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.**Behavior in environmental systems:****Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.**Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.**Additional ecological information:****General notes:**

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

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**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**

Not a hazardous material for transportation.

**DOT regulations:****Hazard class:** None**Land transport ADR/RID (cross-border)****ADR/RID class:** None**Maritime transport IMDG:****IMDG Class:** None**Marine pollutant:** No**Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:****ICAO/IATA Class:** None**Special precautions for user** Not applicable.**Transport/Additional information:** Not dangerous according to the above specifications.**Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code** Not applicable.**15 Regulatory information****Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture****Product related hazard informations:**

Observe the general safety regulations when handling chemicals

**National regulations**

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.

**Information about limitation of use:** For use only by technically qualified individuals.**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 Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

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**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)

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

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

HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)