

Material Safety Data Sheet

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According to 91/155/EEC

Classified as Hazardous according to the criteria of EU Annex 1 and NOHSC.

1 - Product and Company Information

Product Name YTTERBIUM(III) CHLORIDE HEXAHYDRATE,
99.998%
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2 - Composition/Information on Ingredients

Product Name	CAS #	EC no	Annex I Index Number
YTTERBIUM(III) CHLORIDE HEXAHYDRATE	10035-01-5	None	None
Formula	YbCl ₃ .6H ₂ O		
Molecular Weight	387.49 AMU		

3 - Hazards Identification

SPECIAL INDICATION OF HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND THE ENVIRONMENT
Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

4 - First Aid Measures

AFTER INHALATION

If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.

AFTER SKIN CONTACT

In case of contact, immediately wash skin with soap and copious amounts of water.

AFTER EYE CONTACT

In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes.

AFTER INGESTION

If swallowed, wash out mouth with water provided person is conscious. Call a physician.

5 - Fire Fighting Measures

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

Suitable: Water spray. Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, or appropriate foam.

SPECIAL RISKS

Specific Hazard(s): Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions.

SPECIAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR FIREFIGHTERS

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes.

6 - Accidental Release Measures

PROCEDURE(S) OF PERSONAL PRECAUTION(S)

Wear respirator, chemical safety goggles, rubber boots, and heavy rubber gloves.

METHODS FOR CLEANING UP

Sweep up, place in a bag and hold for waste disposal. Avoid raising dust. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete.

7 - Handling and Storage

HANDLING

Directions for Safe Handling: Do not breathe dust. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

STORAGE

Conditions of Storage: Keep tightly closed. Store in a cool dry place.

Incompatible Materials: Moisture.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Hygroscopic.

8 - Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Safety shower and eye bath. Mechanical exhaust required.

GENERAL HYGIENE MEASURES

Wash thoroughly after handling.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Respiratory Protection: Government approved respirator.

Hand Protection: Compatible chemical-resistant gloves.

Eye Protection: Chemical safety goggles.

9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance

Physical State: Solid

Property

Value

At Temperature or Pressure

pH

N/A

BP/BP Range

N/A

MP/MP Range

180 °C

Flash Point

N/A

Flammability

N/A

Autoignition Temp

N/A

Oxidizing Properties

N/A

Explosive Properties	N/A
Explosion Limits	N/A
Vapor Pressure	N/A
SG/Density	5.85 g/cm ³
Partition Coefficient	N/A
Viscosity	N/A
Vapor Density	N/A
Saturated Vapor Conc.	N/A
Evaporation Rate	N/A
Bulk Density	N/A
Decomposition Temp.	N/A
Solvent Content	N/A
Water Content	N/A
Surface Tension	N/A
Conductivity	N/A
Miscellaneous Data	N/A
Solubility	N/A

10 - Stability and Reactivity

STABILITY

Stable: Stable.

Conditions to Avoid: Moisture.

Materials to Avoid: Strong oxidizing agents.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Carbon monoxide, Carbon dioxide, Yttrium oxides.

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION

Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur

11 - Toxicological Information

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF EXPOSURE

Inhalation of rare earths may cause sensitivity to heat, itching, and increased awareness of odor and taste. Rare earth compounds may cause delayed blood clotting leading to hemorrhages. To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

ROUTE OF EXPOSURE

Skin Contact: Causes skin irritation.

Skin Absorption: May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.

Eye Contact: Causes eye irritation.

Inhalation: Material is irritating to mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract. May be harmful if inhaled.

Ingestion: May be harmful if swallowed.

12 - Ecological Information

No data available.

13 - Disposal Considerations

SUBSTANCE DISPOSAL

Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber. Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations.

14 - Transport Information

RID/ADR

Non-hazardous for road transport.

IMDG

Non-hazardous for sea transport.

IATA

Non-hazardous for air transport.

15 - Regulatory Information

CLASSIFICATION AND LABELING ACCORDING TO EU DIRECTIVES

INDICATION OF DANGER: Xi

Irritant.

R-PHRASES: 36/37/38

Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

S-PHRASES: 26 36

In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Wear suitable protective clothing.

16 - Other Information

WARRANTY

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