1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

OSHA Hazards
No known OSHA hazards

GHS Classification
Skin irritation (Category 3)
Eye irritation (Category 2B)

GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram: none
Signal word: Warning
Hazard statement(s)
H316: Causes mild skin irritation.
H320: Causes eye irritation.
Precautionary statement(s)
P305 + P351 + P338: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

HMIS Classification
Health hazard: 0
Flammability: 0
Physical hazards: 0

NFPA Rating
Health hazard: 0
Fire: 0
Reactivity Hazard: 0

Potential Health Effects

Inhalation: May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.
Skin: May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.
Eyes: May cause eye irritation.
3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms: Chromia
Formula: \( \text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3 \)
Molecular Weight: 151.99 g/mol

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4. 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.

5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

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

Special protective equipment for firefighters
Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

Hazardous combustion products
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Chromium oxides

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions
Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing dust.

Environmental precautions
Do not let product enter drains.

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.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.

Conditions for safe storage
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. hygroscopic
Handle and store under inert gas. Keep in a dry place.
8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Components with workplace control parameters

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Remarks
- Upper Respiratory Tract & skin irritation
- Not classifiable as a human carcinogen
- Varies

| TWA 1 mg/m³                  | USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000 |
| TWA 0.5 mg/m³                | USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits                      |

Chromium(III) compounds include soluble chromic salts. See Appendix C

Personal protective equipment

**Respiratory protection**
For nuisance exposures use type P95 (US) or type P1 (EU EN 143) particle respirator. For higher level protection use type OV/AG/P99 (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).

**Hand 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.

**Eye 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 and 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.

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

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance**
- Form: powder
- Colour: green

**Safety data**
- pH: no data available
- Melting point/freezing point: no data available
- Boiling point: no data available
- Flash point: not applicable
- Ignition temperature: no data available
- Autoignition temperature: no data available
Lower explosion limit  no data available  
Upper explosion limit  no data available  
Vapour pressure  no data available  
Density  5.210 g/cm³  
Water solubility  no data available  
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water  no data available  
Relative vapour density  no data available  
Odour  no data available  
Odour Threshold  no data available  
Evaporation rate  no data available  

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability
Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions
no data available

Conditions to avoid
Avoid moisture.

Materials to avoid
Strong oxidizing agents

Hazardous decomposition products
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Chromium oxides
Other decomposition products - no data available

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity

Oral LD50
LD50 Oral - rat - > 10,000 mg/kg

Inhalation LC50
no data available

Dermal LD50
no data available

Other information on acute toxicity
no data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
Skin - rabbit - Mild skin irritation

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
Eyes - rabbit - Mild eye irritation

Respiratory or skin sensitization
no data available

Germ cell mutagenicity
no data available

Carcinogenicity
This product is or contains a component that is not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity based on its IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or EPA classification.

IARC: 3 - Group 3: Not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans (Chromium (III) oxide)

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

Reproductive toxicity

no data available

Teratogenicity

no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)
no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)
no data available

Aspiration hazard
no data available

Potential health effects

Inhalation May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.

Ingestion May be harmful if swallowed.

Skin May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.

Eyes May cause eye irritation.

Signs and Symptoms of Exposure
To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Synergistic effects
no data available

Additional Information
RTECS: GB6475000

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity
no data available

Persistence and degradability
no data available

Bioaccumulative potential
no data available

Mobility in soil
no data available

PBT and vPvB assessment
no data available

Other adverse effects
13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Product**
Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

**Contaminated packaging**
Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**DOT (US)**
Not dangerous goods

**IMDG**
Not dangerous goods

**IATA**
Not dangerous goods

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**OSHA Hazards**
No known OSHA hazards

**SARA 302 Components**
SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

**SARA 313 Components**
The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:

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**SARA 311/312 Hazards**
No SARA Hazards

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

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**California Prop. 65 Components**
This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

**Further information**
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