

Australian statement of hazardous nature : Classified as hazardous according to criteria of Safe Work Australia

## Section 1 - Identification

**Product Name** Silica, cristobalite

<b>Product Code</b>	<b>THC062819</b>
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**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.

**Uses advised against** This product does not contain any substance(s) on the Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents list. This product does not contain any substance(s) subject to Prohibition, Authorization or Restriction. This product does not contain any substance(s) listed on the voluntary National Code of Practice for Chemicals of Security Concern.

## Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

### Classification under Safe Work Australia

Classified as hazardous according to criteria of Safe Work Australia

**Physical hazards**  
No hazards identified

**Health hazards**

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation  
Specific target organ toxicity - (single exposure)  
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)

Category 2  
Category 3  
Category 1

**Environmental hazards**  
No hazards identified

### Label Elements



Health Hazard



Exclamation Mark

**Signal Word****Danger****Hazard Statements**

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation

H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

H373 - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

H372 - Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

**Precautionary Statements**

P201 - Obtain special instructions before use

P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

P260 - Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray

P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

P280 - Wear eye protection/ face protection

P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

P308 + P313 - IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention

P403 + P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Other information**

No information available

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

**Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients**

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Silica, cristobalite	14464-46-1	90
Diatomaceous earth	61790-53-2	>10

**Section 4 - First Aid Measures**

<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>General Advice</b>	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
<b>Self-Protection of the First Aider</b>	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.
<b>First Aid Facilities</b>	Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	None reasonably foreseeable.

**Notes to Physician**

Treat symptomatically.

## Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

**Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons**

No information available.

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

**Special protective equipment and precautions for fire fighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

## Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**Emergency procedures**

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid dust formation.

**Environmental Precautions**

Should not be released into the environment.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up****Clean-up methods - small spillage**

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

**Clean-up methods - large spillage**

Typically only supplied in small quantities as packaged goods.

If extremely toxic or used in larger quantities ensure a spillage action plan is in place. Evacuate area. Control the source and/or contain the spill if safe and able to do so. Use temporary diking, sand bags, dry sand, earth or proprietary booms/absorbent pads if available. Obtain advice on containment, neutralisation and clean-up from local emergency responders.

**Reference to Other Sections**

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Precautions for Safe Handling**

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation.

**Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities**

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

AS/NZS 2243.10:2004, Safety in laboratories - Storage of chemicals

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

**Exposure limits**

**AUS** - Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment - Guidance Note on the Interpretation of Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:3008(1995)]

Adopted National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:1003(1995)]

updated in August, 2005. Safe Work Australia

UK - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020.

DE - MAK and BAT values of Hazardous Chemical Compounds in the Work Area. Published by German Research Foundation on July 1, 2011

ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Ceiling (TLV-C) guidelines by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) for controlling worker exposure to airborne chemical concentrations in the workplace.

NZ - Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices (6th edition). New Zealand Department of Labor

Component	Australia	New Zealand WEL	ACGIH TLV	The United Kingdom	Germany
Silica, cristobalite	TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL: 0.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr Carc. respirable fraction	
Diatomaceous earth	TWA: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>		STEL: 3.6 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 1.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr	TWA: 4 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (8 Stunden). AGW - TWA: 0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (8 Stunden). MAK Höhepunkt: 0.16 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

#### Biological limit values

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

#### Exposure Controls

##### Engineering Measures

Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

#### Personal protective equipment

##### Eye Protection

Goggles (Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye protectors for Industrial applications)

##### Hand Protection

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	AUS/NZ Standard	Glove comments
Natural rubber	See manufacturers	-	AS/NZS 2161	(minimum requirement)
Nitrile rubber	recommendations			
Neoprene				
PVC				

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

##### Skin and body protection

Long sleeved clothing

##### Respiratory Protection

Use an AS/NZS 1716 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced. To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained in line with AS/NZS 1715 on the use and maintenance of respiratory protective devices

##### Recommended Filter type:

Particulates filter conforming to EN 143 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

##### Recommended half mask:-

Particle filtering: EN149:2001 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

#### Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

#### Environmental exposure controls

No information available.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Colorless	
Physical State	Solid	
Odor	No information available	
Odor Threshold	No data available	
pH	Not applicable	
Melting Point/Range	No data available	
Softening Point	No data available	
Boiling Point/Range	Not applicable	
Flash Point	Not applicable	Method - No information available
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable	Solid
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available	
Explosion Limits	No data available	
Vapor Pressure	No data available	
Vapor Density	Not applicable	Solid
Specific Gravity / Density	No data available	
Bulk Density	No data available	
Water Solubility	No information available	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Autoignition Temperature	No data available	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
Viscosity	Not applicable	Solid
Explosive Properties	No information available	
Oxidizing Properties	No information available	
<b>Other information</b>		
Molecular Formula	SiO <sub>2</sub>	
Molecular Weight	60.04	

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Heat, flames and sparks.
Incompatible Materials	None known.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	None under normal use conditions.
Hazardous Polymerization	No information available.

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### Information on Toxicological Effects

#### Product Information

(a) acute toxicity;	
Oral	No data available

**Dermal** No data available  
**Inhalation** No data available

**(b) skin corrosion/irritation;** No data available

**(c) serious eye damage/irritation;** Category 2

**(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;**  
**Respiratory** No data available  
**Skin** No data available

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;** No data available

**(f) carcinogenicity;** No data available

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

Component	Australia	New Zealand	New South Wales	Western Australia	IARC	EU	UK	Germany
Silica, cristobalite		Confirmed carcinogen			Group 1			Cat. 1

**(g) reproductive toxicity;** No data available

**(h) STOT-single exposure;** Category 3

**Results / Target organs** Respiratory system

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure;** Category 1

**Target Organs** No information available.

**(j) aspiration hazard;** Not applicable  
Solid

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** No information available

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity effects** .  
**Persistence and Degradability** No information available  
**Degradability** Not relevant for inorganic substances.  
**Bioaccumulative Potential** No information available

**Mobility** No information available.  
**Endocrine Disruptor Information** This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors  
**Persistent Organic Pollutant** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance  
**Ozone Depletion Potential** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

**Waste from Residues/Unused Products** Do not allow into drains or watercourses or dispose of where ground or surface waters may be affected. Wastes, including emptied containers, are controlled wastes and should be disposed of in accordance with all federal, E.P.A., state and local regulations. Assure conformity with all applicable regulations.

**Contaminated Packaging** Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.

**Other Information**

Chemical wastes should be disposed through a licensed commercial waste collection service. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains.

**Section 14 - Transport Information****IMDG/IMO**

Not regulated

**ADG**

Not regulated

**IATA**

Not regulated

**Environmental hazards**

No hazards identified

**Special Precautions**

No special precautions required

**Additional information**

None known

**Section 15 - Regulatory Information****Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture****National Regulations****Australia**

See section 8 for national exposure control parameters.

Component	Health Surveillance
Silica, cristobalite 14464-46-1 ( 90 )	Listed Demographic, medical and occupational history Chest X-ray full size PA view Standardised respiratory function test, for example, FEV1, FVC and FEV1/FVC Standardised respiratory questionnaire to be completed Records of personal exposure

**Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons**

No poison schedule number allocated.

**Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS)**

Component	Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS)	Additional information
Silica, cristobalite - 14464-46-1	Present	-
Diatomaceous earth - 61790-53-2	Present	-

**Australian - Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents Substance List**

This product does not contain any substance(s) on the Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents list.

**Chemicals of Security Concern**

This product does not contain any substance(s) listed on the voluntary National Code of Practice for Chemicals of Security Concern

**National pollutant inventory** Not applicable

#### **Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements**

Shown below are details of specific prohibition/notifications or licensing requirements when they apply.

This product does not contain any substance(s) subject to Prohibition, Authorization or Restriction.

Component	Australia	New South Wales	Western Australia	New Zealand
Silica, cristobalite - 14464-46-1				Confirmed carcinogen

#### **International Inventories**

Component	AICS	NZIoC	EINECS	ELINCS	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	IECSC	KECL
Silica, cristobalite	X	X	238-455-4	-	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	KE-09017
Diatomaceous earth	X	X	-	-	X	-	X	X	X	X	X	KE-21794

**Legend:** X - Listed. '-' - Not Listed. **KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

#### **International Regulations**

**Ozone Depletion Potential** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

**Persistent Organic Pollutant** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

**Rotterdam Convention (PIC)** Not applicable

#### **Basel convention on the control of transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and their disposal**

Not applicable.

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements
Silica, cristobalite	14464-46-1	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Diatomaceous earth	61790-53-2	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH** Not applicable

## **Section 16 - Other Information**

#### **Legend**

**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances  
**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory  
**DSL/NDSL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

**NZIoC** - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals  
**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances  
**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances



**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

**TWA** - Time Weighted Average

**IARC** - International Agency for Research on Cancer

**ICAO/IATA** - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association

**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

**NZS 5433:2020** - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land

**LD50** - Lethal Dose 50%

**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50%

**WEL** - Workplace Exposure Limit

**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level

**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

**vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

**VOC** - (Volatile Organic Compound)

**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

**IMO/IMDG** - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

**ADG** - Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail

**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

**LC50** - Lethal Concentration 50%

**ATE** - Acute Toxicity Estimate

**RPE** - Respiratory Protective Equipment

**NOEC** - No Observed Effect Concentration

**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

**PBT** - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

#### Key literature references and sources for data

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadviser - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

#### Training Advice

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

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#### Revision Summary

Update to GHS format.

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