

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

Section 1 - Identification

Product Name Germanium, plasma standard solution, Specpure®, Ge 10,000µg/ml

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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 contains one or more 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

Substances/mixtures corrosive to metal Category 1

Health hazards

Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 1

Environmental hazards

No hazards identified

Label Elements



Corrosion

Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

H290 - May be corrosive to metals
H315 - Causes skin irritation
H318 - Causes serious eye damage

Precautionary Statements

P234 - Keep only in original packaging
P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
P302 + P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
P310 - Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor
P390 - Absorb spillage to prevent material damage
P362 + P364 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse
P406 - Store in corrosion resistant polypropylene container with a resistant inliner
P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

Other information

Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Water	7732-18-5	95.45
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	7697-37-2	3.45
Hydrogen fluoride	7664-39-3	0.1

Section 4 - First Aid Measures

Inhalation	If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
General Advice	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
Self-Protection of the First Aider	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.
First Aid Facilities	Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.
Most important symptoms and effects	Causes eye burns. Causes severe eye damage. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest

pain, muscle pain or flushing

Notes to Physician

Treat symptomatically.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media

Not combustible. CO₂, dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam.

Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

Hazardous Decomposition Products

Nitrogen oxides (NO_x), Hydrogen fluoride, Germanium oxide.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes. None reasonably foreseeable.

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.

Environmental Precautions

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Clean-up methods - small spillage

Soak up with inert absorbent material. 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. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.

Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities

Corrosives area. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool 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 **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. **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

Component	Australia	New Zealand WEL	ACGIH TLV	The United Kingdom	Germany
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	STEL: 4 ppm STEL: 10 mg/m ³ TWA: 2 ppm TWA: 5.2 mg/m ³	TWA: 2 ppm TWA: 5.2 mg/m ³ STEL: 4 ppm STEL: 10 mg/m ³	TWA: 2 ppm STEL: 4 ppm	STEL: 1 ppm 15 min STEL: 2.6 mg/m ³ 15 min	TWA: 1 ppm (8 Stunden). AGW - TWA: 2.6 mg/m ³ (8 Stunden). AGW -
Hydrogen fluoride	TWA: 2.5 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 3 ppm Ceiling: 2.6 mg/m ³	TWA: 0.5 ppm TWA: 2.5 mg/m ³ Ceiling: 2 ppm Skin	STEL: 3 ppm 15 min STEL: 2.5 mg/m ³ 15 min TWA: 1.8 ppm 8 hr TWA: 1.5 mg/m ³ 8 hr	TWA: 1 ppm (8 Stunden). AGW - exposure factor 2 TWA: 0.83 mg/m ³ (8 Stunden). AGW - exposure factor 2 TWA: 1 mg/m ³ (8 Stunden). AGW - exposure factor 4 TWA: 1 ppm (8 Stunden). MAK TWA: 0.83 mg/m ³ (8 Stunden). MAK TWA: 1 mg/m ³ (8 Stunden). MAK Höhepunkt: 2 ppm Höhepunkt: 1.66 mg/m ³ Haut

Biological limit values

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

Component	Australia	New Zealand	European Union	United Kingdom	Germany
Hydrogen fluoride					Fluoride: 4.0 mg/g Creatinine urine (end of shift)

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
Nitrile rubber	480 minutes	0.11mm	AS/NZS 2161	(minimum requirement)

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 compatibility, 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:	Multi-purpose/ABEK conforming to EN14387 (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	Prevent product from entering drains. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance		
Physical State	Liquid	
Odor	No information available	
Odor Threshold	No data available	
pH	1	
Melting Point/Range	No data available	
Softening Point	No data available	
Boiling Point/Range	No information available	
Flash Point	No information available	Method - No information available
Evaporation Rate	No data available	
Flammability (solid,gas)	Not applicable	Liquid
Explosion Limits	No data available	
Vapor Pressure	23 hPa @ 20 °C	
Vapor Density	No data available	(Air = 1.0)
Specific Gravity / Density	No data available	
Bulk Density	Not applicable	Liquid
Water Solubility	Miscible	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Component	log Pow	
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	-2.3	
Hydrogen fluoride	-1.4	
Autoignition Temperature	No data available	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
Viscosity	No data available	
Explosive Properties	No information available	
Oxidizing Properties	No information available	
Other information		
Molecular Formula	Ge in 5% HN O3 /tr. HF	

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	Strong bases.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Nitrogen oxides (NOx). Hydrogen fluoride. Germanium oxide.
Hazardous Polymerization	No information available.

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

Information on Toxicological Effects

Product Information

(a) acute toxicity;	
Oral	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met
Dermal	No data available
Inhalation	No data available

Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Water	-	-	-
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]			LC50 = 2500 ppm. (Rat) 1h
Hydrogen fluoride			LC50 = 0.79 mg/L (Rat) 1 h

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Category 2

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 1

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

(g) reproductive toxicity; No data available

(h) STOT-single exposure; No data available

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; No data available
Target Organs No information available.

(j) aspiration hazard; No data available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing

Section 12 - Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity effects The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. Very toxic to aquatic organisms. May cause long-term adverse effects in the environment. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Hydrogen fluoride	LC50 = 660 mg/L, 48h (Leuciscus idus)	EC50 = 270 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia species)		

Persistence and Degradability Product contains heavy metals. Discharge into the environment must be avoided. Special pre-treatment is necessary

Persistence May persist, based on information available.

Degradation in sewage treatment plant

Contains substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste water treatment plants.

Bioaccumulative Potential May have some potential to bioaccumulate

Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	-2.3	No data available
Hydrogen fluoride	-1.4	No data available

Mobility The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility Highly mobile in soils

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. Do not flush to sewer. Large amounts will affect pH and harm aquatic organisms. Do not let this chemical enter the environment.

Section 14 - Transport Information

IMDG/IMO

UN-No	UN3264
Proper Shipping Name	Corrosive liquid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s.
Technical Shipping Name	(NITRIC ACID, Hydrofluoric acid)
Hazard Class	8
Packing Group	III

ADG

UN-No UN3264
Proper Shipping Name Corrosive liquid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s.
Technical Shipping Name (NITRIC ACID, Hydrofluoric acid)
Hazard Class 8
Packing Group III

Component	Hazchem Code
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %] 7697-37-2 (3.45)	2R 2P 2PE
Hydrogen fluoride 7664-39-3 (0.1)	2X 2W 2XE

IATA

UN-No UN3264
Proper Shipping Name Corrosive liquid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s.
Technical Shipping Name (NITRIC ACID, Hydrofluoric acid)
Hazard Class 8
Packing Group III

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.

Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons

Classified as a scheduled poison according to the Standard for Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons.

Component	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %] - 7697-37-2	Schedule 5 listed - except its salts and derivatives; in preparations except in preparations containing ≤0.5% of Nitric acid Schedule 6 listed - except its salts and derivatives; except when included in Schedule 5, or in preparations containing ≤0.5% of Nitric acid
Hydrogen fluoride - 7664-39-3	Schedule 2 listed Schedule 3 listed Schedule 4 listed - in preparations for human use except when included in or expressly excluded from Schedule 2 or 3 Schedule 5 listed - except its salts and derivatives; in preparations; including admixtures that generate Hydrofluoric acid Schedule 5 listed - in preparations except: in preparations for human use, or in preparations containing ≤15 mg/kg of Fluoride ion; as Fluoride ion Schedule 6 listed - except its salts and derivatives; in preparations; including admixtures that generate Hydrofluoric acid; except when included in Schedule 5 Schedule 6 listed - except: when included in Schedule 5, in preparations for human use, or in preparations containing ≤15 mg/kg of Fluoride ion Schedule 7 listed

Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS)

Component	Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction	Additional information
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	Scheme (AICIS)	
Water - 7732-18-5	Present	-
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %] - 7697-37-2	Present	-
Hydrogen fluoride - 7664-39-3	Present	Specific information requirement: Obligations to provide information apply. You must tell us within 28 days if the circumstances of your importation or manufacture (introduction) are different to those in our assessment.

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 contains one or more substance(s) listed on the voluntary National Code of Practice for Chemicals of Security Concern

Component	Australian - Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents Substance List	Chemicals of Security Concern
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %] - 7697-37-2		Listed in Appendix A Precursors to homemade explosives - concentration >=30%

Legend

Chemicals of Security Concern - for further information see <http://www.chemicalsecurity.gov.au/securityconcerns>

National pollutant inventory Subject to reporting requirements

Component	National pollutant inventory
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %] - 7697-37-2	10 tonne/yr. Threshold category 1

Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements

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

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

International Inventories

Component	AICS	NZIoC	EINECS	ELINCS	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	IECSC	KECL
Water	X	X	231-791-2	-	X	X	-	X	X		X	KE-35400
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	X	X	231-714-2	-	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	KE-25911
Hydrogen fluoride	X	X	231-634-8	-	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	KE-20198

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

Take note that wastes may be subject to export, import, or transit controls pursuant to the Basel convention and/or local regulations implementing the Basel convention.

Component	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)	Australian Hazardous Waste Act - Categories of Wastes to Be Controlled
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %] - 7697-37-2	Annex I - Y34	Y34 solid or solution
Hydrogen fluoride - 7664-39-3	Annex I - Y34	Y34 solid or solution

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
Water	7732-18-5	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	7697-37-2	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Hydrogen fluoride	7664-39-3	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Component	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	-	Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)	-
Hydrogen fluoride	-	Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

Section 16 - Other Information

Legend

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances	NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory	EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances
DSL/NDL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List	ENCS - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances
IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances	KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances
PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances	CAS - Chemical Abstracts Service
TWA - Time Weighted Average	ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer	Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)
ICAO/IATA - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association	IMO/MDG - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships	ADG Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail
NZS 5433:2012 - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land	OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%	LC50 - Lethal Concentration 50%
EC50 - Effective Concentration 50%	ATE - Acute Toxicity Estimate
WEL - Workplace Exposure Limit	RPE - Respiratory Protective Equipment
DNEL - Derived No Effect Level	NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration
POW - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water	BCF - Bioconcentration factor
vPvB - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative	PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic
VOC - (Volatile Organic Compound)	

Key literature references and sources for data

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>
Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

Classification and procedure used to derive the classification for mixtures according to Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 [CLP]:
Physical hazards On basis of test data

Health Hazards	Calculation method
Environmental hazards	Calculation method

Training Advice

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

Revision Date	19-Nov-2022
Revision Summary	Not applicable.

This Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is prepared in accordance to and complies with the requirements of Safe Work Australia - Work Health and Safety Regulations (WHS Regulations).

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