

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

## Section 1 - Identification

Product Name Tungsten sulfide

CAS No 12138-09-9

Synonyms WS2.

Product Code **802542**

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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

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**Physical hazards**  
No hazards identified

**Health hazards**

Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity - (single exposure)	Category 3

**Environmental hazards**  
No hazards identified

### Label Elements



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**Signal Word****Warning****Hazard Statements**

H315 - Causes skin irritation

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation

H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

**Precautionary Statements**

P261 - Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray

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

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

P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

P302 + P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water

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

P312 - Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell

P362 + P364 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse

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

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Tungsten sulfide (WS2)	12138-09-9	>95

**Section 4 - First Aid Measures**

<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<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>	No information available.

**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.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products**

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

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

## 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. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

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

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

**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 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.

Component	Australia	New Zealand WEL	ACGIH TLV	The United Kingdom	Germany
Tungsten sulfide (WS2)	STEL: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>		TWA: 3 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr	

**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. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

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 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**

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure

**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 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

**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**

<b>Appearance</b>	Dark grey	
<b>Physical State</b>	Solid	
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No data available	
<b>pH</b>	No information available	
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	> 1480 °C / 2696 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	No information available	
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available	<b>Method -</b> No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available	
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No data available	
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Specific Gravity / Density</b>	7.500	
<b>Bulk Density</b>	No data available	
<b>Water Solubility</b>	Insoluble	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Explosive Properties</b>	No information available	
<b>Oxidizing Properties</b>	No information available	
<b>Other information</b>		
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	S <sub>2</sub> W	
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	247.98	

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

<b>Reactivity</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	No information available.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products, Excess heat, Avoid dust formation.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids.
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	No information available.

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### Information on Toxicological Effects

<b>Product Information</b>	No acute toxicity information is available for this product
<b>(a) acute toxicity;</b>	
<b>Oral</b>	No data available
<b>Dermal</b>	No data available
<b>Inhalation</b>	No data available
<b>(b) skin corrosion/irritation;</b>	Category 2

(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
	There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product
(g) reproductive toxicity;	No data available
(h) STOT-single exposure;	Category 3
Results / Target organs	Respiratory system
(i) STOT-repeated exposure;	No data available
Target Organs	No information available.
(j) aspiration hazard;	Not applicable
	Solid
Other Adverse Effects	The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.
Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed	No information available

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity effects	Do not empty into drains. .
Persistence and Degradability	
Persistence	Insoluble in water.
Degradability	Not relevant for inorganic substances.
Bioaccumulative Potential	May have some potential to bioaccumulate
Mobility	Spillage unlikely to penetrate soil. Is not likely mobile in the environment due its low water solubility
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

<u>IMDG/IMO</u>	Not regulated
<u>ADG</u>	Not regulated
<u>IATA</u>	Not regulated
<b>Environmental hazards</b>	No hazards identified
<b>Special Precautions</b>	No special precautions required
<b>Additional information</b>	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**

No poison schedule number allocated.

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

Component	Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS)	Additional information
Tungsten sulfide (WS2) - 12138-09-9	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 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
Tungsten sulfide (WS2)	X	-	235-243-3	-	X	X	-	-	X	X	X	KE-35009

**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
Tungsten sulfide (WS2)	12138-09-9	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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

## Section 16 - Other Information

### Legend

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

**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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