

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

### 1. SUBSTANCE AND SOURCE IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier** 

SRM Number: 2700

**SRM Name:** Hexavalent Chromium in Contaminated Soil (Low Level)

Other Means of Identification: Not applicable.

#### Recommended Use of This Material and Restrictions of Use

This Standard Reference Material (SRM) is intended primarily for use in the analysis of waste, soils, sediments, or other materials of a similar matrix. SRM 2700 is a soil, contaminated with chromite ore processing residue (COPR) that has been air-dried, sieved, radiation-sterilized, and blended to achieve a high degree of homogeneity. A unit of SRM 2700 consists of approximately 75 g of material in an amber screw-caped glass bottle.

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### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Note:** This material is complex mixture that contains respirable crystalline silica as quartz. The health and physical hazard classification provided is associated with the inhalation of quartz particulates at a concentration ≥1 %.

#### Classification

Physical Hazard: Not classified.

**Health Hazard:** Carcinogenicity Category 1 Category 1

STOT, Repeated Exposure

### **Label Elements Symbol**



### Signal Word DANGER

### **Hazard Statement(s):**

H350 May cause lung cancer.

H372 Causes damage to lungs through prolonged or repeated inhalation.

### **Precautionary Statement(s):**

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.

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

P260 Do not breathe dust.

P264 Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

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

P280 Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, and eye protection.

P308 + P313 If exposed or concerned: Get medical attention.

P405 Store locked up.

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Dispose of contents and container according to local regulations.

Hazards Not Otherwise Classified: Not applicable.

Ingredients(s) with Unknown Acute Toxicity: Not applicable.

### 3. COMPOSITION AND INFORMATION ON HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

Substance: Soil, contaminated

Other Designations: Chromite ore processing residue, waste ore.

This material is naturally occurring soil contaminated with chromite ore processing residue which contains a trace amount of hexavalent chromium, a known human carcinogen. The hexavalent chromium contained in this material is below the OSHA threshold value for SDS information; 0.1 % for carcinogens. This material should be handled with care. Components are listed in compliance with OSHA's 29 CFR 1910.1200; for the actual values see the Certificate of Analysis.

Hazardous Component(s)	CAS Number	EC Number (EINECS)	Nominal Mass Concentration (%)
Soil, powder contaminated Individual Components	not available	not available	100
Quartz	14808-60-7	238-878-4	>0.1
Chromite	1308-31-2	215-159-3	0.1055
Hexavalent chromium	18540-29-9	not available	0.0015

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### **Description of First Aid Measures:**

**Inhalation:** If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. If not breathing, give artificial respiration or oxygen by qualified personnel. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Skin Contact:** Wash skin with soap and water.

Eye Contact: Flush eyes with water for at least 15 minutes. If necessary, seek medical attention.

**Ingestion:** If adverse effects occur after ingestion, seek medical treatment.

Most Important Symptoms/Effects, Acute and Delayed: May cause irritation.

**Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary:** If any of the above symptoms are present, seek medical attention if needed.

#### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Fire and Explosion Hazards:** Negligible fire hazard. Avoid generating dust. See Section 9, "Physical and Chemical Properties" for flammability properties.

#### **Extinguishing Media:**

Suitable: Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

Unsuitable: None listed.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical: None listed.

**Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire-Fighters:** Avoid inhalation of material or combustion byproducts. Wear full protective clothing and NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).

**NFPA Ratings** (0 = Minimal; 1 = Slight; 2 = Moderate; 3 = Serious; 4 = Severe)

Health = 1 Fire = 0 Reactivity = 0

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures:** Any accumulated material on surfaces should be removed and properly disposed of. Use suitable protective equipment; see Section 8, "Exposure Controls and Personal Protection".

**Methods and Materials for Containment and Clean up:** Collect spilled material in appropriate container for disposal. Keep out of water supplies and sewers. Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry.

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#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Safe Handling Precautions:** Minimize dust generation and accumulation on surfaces. Routine housekeeping should be instituted to ensure that dusts do not accumulate on surfaces. See Section 8, "Exposure Controls and Personal Protection".

**Storage:** Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards.

### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

	Exposure Lin	nits <sup>(a)</sup>	
Components	OSHA (PEL)	ACGIH (TLV)	NIOSH (REL)
Finely powdered soil	15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	NOEL	$10 \text{ mg/m}^3$
	(TWA, total particulates not otherwise regulated)		(TWA, total particulates not otherwise regulated)
	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>		$5 \text{ mg/m}^3$
	(TWA, respirable particulates not otherwise regulated)		(TWA, respirable particulates not otherwise regulated)
Individual components			
Quartz	(30)/(%SiO2 + 2) mg/m <sup>3</sup> (TWA) [total dust]	0.025 mg/m³ (TWA) [respirable fraction]	0.05 mg/m³ (TWA) [respirable dust]
	(250)/(%SiO2 + 5) mppcf (TWA) [respirable fraction]		50 mg/m³ (TWA) [respirable dust]
	(10)/(%SiO2 + 2) mg/m <sup>3</sup> (TWA) [respirable fraction]		
Chromium compounds	5 mg/m³ (TWA)	NOEL	0.0002 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (TWA) as Cr (related to Chromium(VI) compounds)
Hexavalent chromium	5 μg/m³ (TWA) 2.5 μg/m³ (Action Level)	NOEL	NOEL

<sup>(</sup>a) NOEL: No occupational exposure limits established.

**Engineering Controls:** Provide local exhaust or process enclosure ventilation system. Ensure compliance with applicable exposure limits.

**Personal Protection:** In accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.132, subpart I, wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to minimize exposure to this material.

**Respiratory Protection:** If workplace conditions warrant a respirator, a respiratory protection program that meets OSHA 29CFR 1910.134 must be followed. Refer to NIOSH 42 CFR 84 for applicable certified respirators.

**Eye/Face Protection:** Wear splash resistant safety goggles with a face shield. An eye wash station should be readily available near areas of use.

**Skin and Body Protection:** Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product. Chemical-resistant gloves should be worn at all times when handling chemicals.

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9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES	
<b>Descriptive Properties</b>	
Appearance (physical state, color, etc.):	amorphous powder
Molecular Formula:	not applicable
Molar Mass (g/mol):	not applicable
Odor:	not available
Odor threshold:	not available
pH:	not available
Evaporation rate:	not applicable
Melting point/freezing point (°C):	not available
Specific Gravity (water=1):	not available
Vapor Pressure (mmHg):	not applicable
Vapor Density (air = 1):	not applicable
Viscosity (cP):	not applicable
Solubility(ies):	not available
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):	not available
Particle Size:	respirable
Thermal Stability Properties	
Autoignition Temperature (°C):	not available
Thermal Decomposition (°C):	not available
Initial boiling point and boiling range (°C):	not available
<b>Explosive Limits, LEL (Volume %):</b>	not available
<b>Explosive Limits, UEL (Volume %):</b>	not available
Flash Point (°C):	not available
Flammability (solid, gas):	not available
10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY	
Reactivity: Stable at normal temperatures and pressur	re.
Stability: X Stable U	nstable
Possible Hazardous Reactions: None listed.	
Conditions to Avoid: Avoid generating dust.	
Incompatible Materials: Bases, halogens, acids, met	al salts, metals, oxidizing materials, and combustible materials.

Fire/Explosion Information: See Section 5, "Fire Fighting Measures".

Hazardous Decomposition: Thermal decomposition will produce oxides of carbon and miscellaneous decomposition

products.

Hazardous Polymerization: Will Occur X Will Not Occur

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X Skin Ingestion **Route of Exposure:** X Inhalation

Symptoms Related to the Physical, Chemical and Toxicological Characteristics: Generated dust may cause irritation, if inhaled. May cause irritation, lung damage, silicosis, and cancer.

## Potential Health Effects (Acute, Chronic and Delayed):

Inhalation: Generated dust may cause irritation. Chromite dust has produced pneumoconiosis. Inhalation of dust may cause coughing, sneezing, upper respiratory tract irritation, and lung damage. Chronic exposure to fine particles containing respirable quartz may result in lung damage, silicosis, and cancer.

SRM 2700 Page 4 of 6 Skin Contact: May cause mechanical irritation. Chromite dust has caused contact dermatitis and allergic

reactions in previously exposed persons

**Eye Contact:** May cause mechanical irritation.

**Ingestion:** No data available.

**Numerical Measures of Toxicity:** 

**Acute Toxicity:** Not classified, no data available.

**Skin Corrosion/Irritation:** Not classified; no data available.

Serious Eye damage/ Eye irritation: Not classified; no data available.

**Respiratory Sensitization:** Not classified; no data available.

Skin Sensitization: Not classified; no data available.

Germ Cell Mutagenicity: Not classified.

Carcinogenicity: Category 1

Listed as a Carcinogen/Potential Carcinogen

X Yes No

Silica, crystalline (as respirable dust) is listed by IARC and NTP as a human carcinogen. Silica, crystalline is not listed by OSHA as a designated carcinogen.

Soil and Chromite are not listed by NTP, IARC or OSHA as a carcinogen. NTP lists hexavalent chromium as "known human carcinogen (related to Chromium (VI) compounds as; IARC lists hexavalent chromium in Group 1 (carcinogen to humans) (Chromium (VI) compounds). OSHA lists hexavalent chromium as "cancer hazard" (see 29 CFR 1910.1026)

Reproductive Toxicity: Not classified; no data available.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity, Single Exposure: Not classified; no data available.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity, Repeated Exposure: Category 1

Cumulative exposure to silica dust may result in reduced lung capacity and silicosis.

Aspiration Hazard: Not classified; no data available.

### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity Data: No data available.

**Persistence and Degradability:** No data available. **Bioaccumulative Potential:** No data available.

Mobility in Soil: No data available.

Other Adverse effects: No data available.

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal: Dispose of waste in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations.

#### 14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

**U.S. DOT and IATA:** Not regulated by DOT or IATA.

#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### **U.S. Regulations:**

CERCLA Sections 102a/103 (40 CFR 302.4): Not regulated.

SARA Title III Section 302 (40 CFR 355.30): Not regulated.

SARA Title III Section 304 (40 CFR 355.40): Not regulated.

SARA Title III Section 313 (40 CFR 372.65): Not regulated.

OSHA Process Safety (29 CFR 1910.119): Not regulated.

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SARA Title III Sections 311/312 Hazardous Categories (40 CFR 370.21):

ACUTE HEALTH: No. CHRONIC HEALTH: Yes. FIRE: No. REACTIVE: No. PRESSURE: No.

#### **State Regulations:**

California Proposition 65: WARNING! This product contains a chemical known to the state of California to cause cancer (chromium and quartz) and reproductive/developmental effects (chromium).

U.S. TSCA Inventory: Chromite and quartz are is listed.

TSCA 12(b), Export Notification: Not listed.

**Canadian Regulations:** WHMIS Information is not provided for this material.

### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

**Issue Date:** 13 March 2019

**Sources:** ChemADVISOR, Inc., SDS *Chromite*, 09 December 2015.

ChemADVISOR, Inc., SDS Chromium (VI) Ion, 09 December 2015.

ChemADVISOR, Inc., SDS Quartz, 09 December 2015.

29 CFR Occupational Health and Safety Office (OSHA) 1910.1000, Limits for Air Contaminants,

Table Z-1; available at

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show\_document?p\_table=STANDARDS&p\_id=9992

(accessed Mar 2019).

#### **Key of Acronyms:**

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists	NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
ALI	Annual Limit on Intake	NTP	National Toxicology Program
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response,	PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
	Compensation, and Liability Act		1
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
DOT	Department of Transportation	REL	Recommended Exposure Limit
EC50	Effective Concentration, 50 %	RM	Reference Material
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Commercial	RQ	Reportable Quantity
	Chemical Substances		
EPCRA	Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know	RTECS	Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances
	Act		
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer	SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
IATA	International Air Transport Association	SCBA	Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus
IDLH	Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health	SRM	Standard Reference Material
LC50	Lethal Concentration, 50 %	STEL	Short Term Exposure Limit
LD50	Lethal Dose, 50 %	TLV	Threshold Limit Value
LEL	Lower Explosive Limit	TPQ	Threshold Planning Quantity
MSDS	Material Safety Data Sheet	TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association	TWA	Time Weighted Average
NIOSH	National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health	UEL	Upper Explosive Limit
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology	WHMIS	Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System

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