

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (5N) 99.999% Holmium(III) Bromide Hydrate

**Product Code:** HO-BR-05-C.XHYD

**CAS Number:** 223911-98-6

**Relevant identified uses of the substance:** Scientific research and development

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## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Skin irritation (Category 2), H315

Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word Warning

Hazard statement(s)

H315 Causes skin irritation.

H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statement(s)

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

P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

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

P280 Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.  
P302 + P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.  
P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position 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/ doctor if you feel unwell.  
P321 Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).  
P332 + P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.  
P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.  
P362 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.  
P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.  
P405 Store locked up.  
P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.  
Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

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### **SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Substances

Formula :  $\text{Br}_3\text{Ho} \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Molecular weight : 404.64 g/mol

CAS-No. : 223911-98-6

EC-No. : 237-524-6

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### **SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

Description of first-aid measures

General advice

Consult a physician. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

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.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

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### **SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.  
Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture  
Hydrogen bromide gas  
holmium oxides  
Advice for firefighters  
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.  
Further information  
No data available

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## **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures  
Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust. For personal protection see section 8.  
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.  
Reference to other sections  
For disposal see section 13.

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## **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Precautions for safe handling  
Advice on safe handling  
Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.  
Advice on protection against fire and explosion  
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.  
Hygiene measures  
Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.  
For precautions see section 2.2.  
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities  
Storage conditions  
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.  
Handle and store under inert gas. Hygroscopic. Keep in a dry place.  
Storage class (TRGS 510): 13: Non Combustible Solids  
Specific end use(s)  
Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

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## **SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

Control parameters  
Ingredients with workplace control parameters  
Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.  
Exposure controls  
Appropriate engineering controls  
Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands

before breaks and at the end of workday.

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face 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 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.

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.

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 (EUEN 143) respirator cartridges. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Control of environmental exposure

Do not let product enter drains.

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## SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Appearance Form: Powder with lumps

b) Odor No data available

c) Odor Threshold No data available

d) pH No data available

e) Melting point/freezing point

No data available

f) Initial boiling point and boiling range

No data available

g) Flash point ( )Not applicable

h) Evaporation rate No data available

i) Flammability (solid, gas)

No data available j) Upper/lower

flammability or explosive limits

No data available

k) Vapor pressure No data available

l) Vapor density No data available

m) Relative density No data available

n) Water solubility No data available

o) Partition coefficient:

n-octanol/water

No data available

p) Autoignition temperature

No data available

q) Decomposition temperature

No data available

r) Viscosity No data available

s) Explosive properties No data available

t) Oxidizing properties No data available

Other safety information

No data available

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## **SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity

No data available

Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

Conditions to avoid

Avoid moisture.

Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents

Hazardous decomposition products

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## **SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

No data available

Dermal: No data available

No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

No data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

No data available

Respiratory or skin sensitization

No data available

Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

Carcinogenicity

IARC: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

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

NTP: No ingredient 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 on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

Reproductive toxicity

No data available

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

Aspiration hazard

No data available

Additional Information

RTECS: Not available

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

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## **SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Toxicity

No data available

Persistence and degradability

No data available

Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

Mobility in soil

No data available

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

Other adverse effects

No data available

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## **SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Waste treatment methods

Product

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

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## **SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

DOT (US)

Not dangerous goods

IMDG

Not dangerous goods

IATA

Not dangerous goods

Further information

Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

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## **SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

SARA 302 Components

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

SARA 313 Components

This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

SARA 311/312 Hazards

Acute Health Hazard

Massachusetts Right To Know Components

No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

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New Jersey Right To Know Components

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California Prop. 65 Components

This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth, or any other reproductive defects.

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Safety Data Sheet according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH). The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. American Elements shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale. COPYRIGHT 1997-2022 AMERICAN ELEMENTS. LICENSED GRANTED TO MAKE UNLIMITED PAPER COPIES FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY.