

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## GERMANIUM OPTICAL CRYSTAL

According to Regulation (EC) No.1907/2006 (REACH)



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### 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE AND THE COMPANY

#### 1.1. PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS:

Product Name: Germanium Optical Crystal  
Synonyms, Trade Names: Ge

#### 1.2. RELEVANT IDENTIFIED USES OF THE SUBSTANCE OR MIXTURE AND USES ADVISED AGAINST

Identified Uses: Optical Material for manufacture of Optical Components.

#### 1.3. DETAILS OF THE SUPPLIER OF THE SAFETY DATA SHEET

Company: **CRYSTRAN LTD.**, 1 Broom Road Business Park, Poole, Dorset UK BH12 4PA  
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#### 1.4. EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER

Emergency Phone: ☎ +44 1202 307650 (Monday to Friday 08:30 to 17:00 GMT)  
Emergency Action: In the event of a medical enquiry involving this product, please contact your doctor or local hospital accident and emergency department. The attending health professional will be able to contact the National Poisons Information Service.

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### 2.1. CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE OR MIXTURE

No Hazardous Product as specified in Directive 67/548/EEC.

#### 2.2. LABEL ELEMENTS

H315 Causes skin irritation  
H319 Causes serious eye irritation.  
H332 Harmful if inhaled  
Precautionary Statements:  
P262 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.



#### 2.3. OTHER HAZARDS

None

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### 3.1. SUBSTANCES

| Component Name | CAS number | %    | EC number (EINECS) | EU index | UN number |
|----------------|------------|------|--------------------|----------|-----------|
| Germanium      | 7440-56-4  | 100% | 231-164-3          | -        | -         |

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### 4.1. DESCRIPTION OF FIRST AID MEASURES

GENERAL: Consult a doctor for specific advice.  
EYES: Irrigate thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes. If discomfort persists obtain medical attention.  
SKIN: Wash thoroughly with soap and water.  
INHALATION: Remove to fresh air. Obtain medical attention.  
INGESTION: Wash out mouth thoroughly with water. In severe cases obtain Medical Attention.

#### 4.2. MOST IMPORTANT SYMPTOMS AND EFFECTS, BOTH ACUTE AND DELAYED

Refer to Section 2.2 and to section 11.

#### 4.3. INDICATION OF ANY IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION AND SPECIAL TREATMENT NEEDED

No Data.

### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

#### 5.1. EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

This product does not burn.

#### 5.2. SPECIAL HAZARDS ARISING FROM THE SUBSTANCE OR MIXTURE

None Known

#### 5.3. ADVICE FOR FIREFIGHTERS

Use breathing apparatus if necessary.

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

#### 6.1. PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS, PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Wear suitable protective clothing & equipment as listed under Section 8. Avoid making dust.

#### 6.2. ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS

Prevent further leakage or spillage. Do not let product enter drains. Do not discharge to the environment.

#### 6.3. METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR CONTAINMENT AND CLEANING UP

Take up and containerize for proper disposal. Containerize any cleaning materials used for proper disposal.

#### 6.4. REFERENCE TO OTHER SECTIONS

Dispose as in Section 13.

### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### 7.1. PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING:

7.2. Protect against physical damage and avoid generating dust.

#### 7.3. CONDITIONS FOR SAFE STORAGE, INCLUDING ANY INCOMPATIBILITIES

No special precautions needed.

#### 7.4. SPECIFIC END USES

Optical Material for Manufacture of Optical Components.

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### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROL AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### 8.1. CONTROL PARAMETERS

ACGIH TLV (United States 1/2009)

OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LIMITS (OEL) = 10mg/m<sup>3</sup> Inhalable; Particulates (Insoluble) (PNOS) 8 hour Time Weighted Average (TWA)  
= 5mg/m<sup>3</sup> Respirable; Particulates (Insoluble) (PNOS) 8 hour Time Weighted Average (TWA)

#### EXPOSURE CONTROLS

Protective gloves made of PVA are required. Use of a laboratory coat is suggested. Safety goggles or safety glasses with side shields are required if there is any possibility of chipping or dust creation. Respirators must be worn when the threshold limit is exceeded. Provide adequate general mechanical ventilation, and local exhaust ventilation. Wash hands immediately after handling the product.

### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

#### 9.1. INFORMATION ON BASIC PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

APPEARANCE : Grey-black geometric shapes, no odour.  
BOILING POINT (760mm Hg) 2830°C  
MELTING POINT: 937.4°C  
SPECIFIC GRAVITY: 5.323 g/mL  
SOLUBILITY IN WATER: Insoluble

FLASH POINT: Not Applicable  
FLAMMABILITY: Not Applicable  
EXPLOSIVE PROPERTIES: Not Applicable  
VAPOUR PRESSURE: Negligible at 25°C  
pH IN AQUEOUS SOLUTION: Not determined

#### 9.2. OTHER SAFETY INFORMATION

None

### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

#### 10.1. REACTIVITY

Reacts slowly with mineral acids.  
Alkaline H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> or aqueous NaClO rapidly causes oxidation.

#### 10.2. CHEMICAL STABILITY

Stable under normal conditions of storage and use.

#### 10.3. POSSIBILITY OF HAZARDOUS REACTIONS

None known

#### 10.4. CONDITIONS TO AVOID

Avoid strong acids and oxidising agents

#### 10.5. INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS

Strong Mineral Acids.

#### 10.6. HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS

Normally none.

### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### 11.1. INFORMATION ON TOXICOLOGICAL EFFECTS

Animal experiments have shown that lungaveolitis may occur after subacute high exposure (50mg/m<sup>3</sup>) to dust. No toxicological effects were observed after 4 weeks subacute exposure at 10mg/m<sup>3</sup>. Nevertheless, particular care should be exercised when machining and creating dust or particles.

TOXIC DOSE - LD<sub>50</sub> > 5000 mg/kg (oral/rat)

CARCINOGENICITY: No evidence of carcinogenic properties.

MUTAGENICITY/TERATOGENICITY: No evidence of reproductive effects.

### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### 12.1. TOXICITY

No Data

#### 12.2. PERSISTENCE AND DEGRADABILITY

No Data

#### 12.3. BIOACCUMULATIVE POTENTIAL

No Data

#### 12.4. MOBILITY IN SOIL

No Data

#### 12.5. RESULTS OF PBT AND vPvB ASSESSMENT

Not required or conducted

#### 12.6. OTHER ADVERSE AFFECTS

No environmental hazard is anticipated provided that the material is handled and disposed of with due care and attention.

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### 13.1. WASTE TREATMENT METHODS

Chemical residues are generally classified as special waste, and are covered by regulations which vary according to location. Contact your local waste disposal authority for advice, or pass to a chemical disposal company.

### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

14.1. UN NUMBER: None

14.2. UN PROPER SHIPPING NAME:

Not subject to transportation regulations.

14.3. TRANSPORT HAZARD CLASS: None

14.4. PACKING GROUP: None

14.5. ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS: None

14.6. SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS FOR USER: None

14.7. TRANSPORT IN BULK MARPOL / IBC: No Data

### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### 15.1. SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS / LEGISLATION SPECIFIC FOR THE SUBSTANCE OR MIXTURE

TSCA: Not determined

### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and must be used only as a guide.

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