

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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SECTION 1 Product Identification

CHEMICAL NAME: Lanthanum powder
CAS #: 7439-91-0
FORMULA: La
SYNONYM: Rare earth metal; under white mineral oil, paraffin oil.

SECTION 2 Composition and Information on Ingredients

INGREDIENT:	CAS #	%	ACGIH (TWA)	OSHA (PEL)
Title Compound	7439-91-0	100	no data	no data

SECTION 3 Hazards Identification

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW: Powder, if free of oil, may be irritating to skin, eyes and respiratory tract. Mineral oil may be harmful if swallowed.

PRIMARY ROUTES OF EXPOSURE: Ingestion, inhalation of any dust present

EYE CONTACT: Oil may cause slight to mild irritation of the eyes.

SKIN CONTACT: May cause slight to mild irritation of the skin.

INHALATION: Inhalation of oil free fine dust may be irritating to the nose, mucous membranes and respiratory tract.

INGESTION: No information available on the physiological effects of ingestion. Mineral oil may be harmful if swallowed.

CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS: No information available on the long-term chronic effects. Impurities in some mineral oils may be tumorigens.

ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS: Oil free dust, if present, may be irritating to skin, eyes and respiratory tract.

SECTION 4 First Aid Measures

EYE EXPOSURE: Immediately flush the eyes with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Assure flushing under eyelids. A victim may need assistance in keeping their eyelids open. Get immediate competent medical attention.

SKIN EXPOSURE: Wash affected area with water. Remove contaminated clothes if necessary. Seek medical assistance if irritation persists.

INHALATION: Remove the victim to fresh air. Closely monitor the victim for signs of respiratory problems, such as difficulty in breathing, coughing, wheezing, or pain. In such cases seek immediate medical assistance.

INGESTION: Seek medical assistance immediately. Keep the victim calm. Give the victim water (only if conscious). Induce vomiting only if directed by medical personnel.

SECTION 5 Firefighting Measures

FLASH POINT: no data

AUTO IGNITION TEMPERATURE: no data

EXPLOSION LIMITS: no data

EXTINGUISHING MEDIUM: Dry chemical or Class D metal fire agent

SPECIAL FIREFIGHTING PROCEDURES: If involved in a fire, fire fighters should be equipped with a NIOSH approved positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing.

HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION AND DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: If involved in a fire this material may produce mildly irritating fumes of lanthanum oxide or carbonate

UNUSUAL FIRE OR EXPLOSION HAZARDS: Highly flammable. Burns with intense heat/ Dust may form explosive mixtures with air. Evolves hydrogen with hot water.

SECTION 6 Accidental Release Measures

SPILL AND LEAK PROCEDURES: In the case of a spill, the fine powder should be covered with sodium carbonate or dolomite in order to reduce the formation of dust. Sweep up the mixture.

SECTION 7 Handling and Storage

HANDLING AND STORAGE: Handle under a dry inert atmosphere of argon. Store under a mineral oil in a tightly closed container.

SECTION 8 Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

EYE PROTECTION: Always wear approved safety glasses w/side shields, or safety goggles, face shield when handling a chemicals substance in the laboratory.

SKIN PROTECTION: Chemical-resistant.

VENTILATION: If possible, handle the material in an efficient fume hood.

RESPIRATOR: If in form of fine dust and ventilation is not available a respirator should be worn. The use of respirators requires a Respirator Protection Program to be in compliance with 29 CFR 19-10.134.

SECTION 9 Physical and Chemical Properties

COLOR AND FORM: -40 mesh

MOLECULAR WEIGHT: 138.9

MELTING POINT (DEG. C.): no data

BOILING POINT: 3454^o

VAPOR PRESSURE: no data

SPECIFIC GRAVITY: 6.166

SOLUBILITY IN WATER: reacts with water

SECTION 10 Stability and Reactivity

STABILITY: air sensitive, moisture sensitive

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION: no hazardous polymerization
CONDITIONS TO AVOID: contact with hot water, contact of oil free fine dust with air.
INCOMPATIBILITY: water, alcohols, oxidizers , oxygen, halogens, mineral acids.
DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: None. For mineral oil; carbon dioxide , carbon monoxide, organic fumes

SECTION 11 Toxicological Information

RTECS DATA: No information available in the RTECS files.
MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: no data
TETRAOGENIC EFFECTS: no data
CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: no data
To the best of our knowledge the toxicological effects of this compound have not been fully investigated.

SECTION 12 Ecological Information

ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION: No information available

SECTION 13 Disposal Considerations

DISPOSAL: Dispose of in according to local state and federal regulations.

SECTION 14 Transportation Information

Water reactive solid, Flammable, n.o.s., Class 4.3(4.1), PG II

SECTION 15 Regulatory Information

TSCA: Listed in the TSCA inventory
SARA (TITLE 313): Title compound not listed

SECTION 16 Other Information

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