



LTS Research Laboratories, Inc.
Safety Data Sheet
Copper Germanium Selenide

1. Product and Company Identification

Trade Name: Copper germanium selenide
Chemical Formula: CuGeSe
Recommended Use: Scientific research and development

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2. Hazards Identification

Signal Word: Danger



Hazard Statements: H301+H331: Toxic if swallowed or if inhaled
H373: May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

Precautionary Statements: P260: Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray
P301+P310: IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician
P304+P340: IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing
P405: Store locked up
P501: Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations

HMIS Health Ratings (0-4):

Health: 2
Flammability: 0
Physical: 1

3. Composition

Chemical Family: Semimetallic alloy
Additional Names: None

Copper germanium selenide (CuGeSe):
Percentage: 100 wt%
CAS #: 137904-21-3
EC #: NIL

4. First Aid Procedures

General Treatment:	Seek medical attention if symptoms persist.
Special Treatment:	None
Important Symptoms:	None
Inhalation:	Remove victim to fresh air. Supply oxygen if breathing is difficult.
Ingestion:	Seek medical attention
Skin:	Wash affected area with mild soap and water. Remove any contaminated clothing.
Eyes:	Flush eyes with water, blinking often for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

5. Firefighting Measures

Flammability:	Non-flammable, except as powder
Extinguishing Media:	Do not use water for metal fires – use CO ₂ , sand, extinguishing powder.
Spec. Fire Fighting Procedure:	Use full-face, self-contained breathing apparatus with full protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes. See section 10 for decomposition products.

6. Accidental Release Measures

If Material Is Released/Spilled:	Wear appropriate respiratory and protective equipment specified in special protection information. Isolate spill area and provide ventilation. Vacuum up spill using a high efficiency particulate absolute (HEPA) air filter and place in a closed container for disposal. Take care not to raise dust.
Environmental Precautions:	Isolate runoff to prevent environmental pollution.

7. Handling and Storage

Handling Conditions:	Wash thoroughly after handling.
Storage Conditions:	Store in a cool dry place in a tightly sealed container. Store apart from materials and conditions listed in section 10.
Work/Hygienic Maintenance:	Do not use tobacco or food in work area. Wash thoroughly before eating and smoking. Do not blow dust off clothing or skin with compressed air.
Ventilation:	Provide sufficient ventilation to maintain concentration at or below threshold limit.

8. Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

Permissible Exposure Limits:	0.2 mg/m ³ as Se, long-term value
Threshold Limit Value:	0.2 mg/m ³ as Se, long-term value
Special Equipment:	None
Respiratory Protection:	Dust Respirator
Protective Gloves:	Rubber gloves
Eye Protection:	Safety glasses or goggles
Body Protection:	Protective work clothing. Wear close-toed shoes and long sleeves/pants.

9. Physical and Chemical Characteristics

Color	N/A
Form:	Pieces
Odor:	Odorless
Water Solubility:	Insoluble
Boiling Point:	N/A
Melting Point:	N/A
Flash Point:	N/A
Autoignition Temperature:	N/A
Density:	N/A
Molecular weight:	N/A

10. Reactivity

Stability:	Stable under recommended storage conditions
Reacts With:	Oxidizing agents
Incompatible Conditions:	None
Hazardous Decomposition Products:	Metal oxide fume, Selenium dioxide (SeO ₂)

11. Toxicological Information

Potential Health Effects:

Eyes:	May cause irritation
Skin:	May cause irritation
Ingestion:	May cause irritation
Inhalation:	May cause irritation
Chronic:	Selenium may cause amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, bronchial irritation, gastrointestinal distress, vasopharyngeal irritation, garlic odor on breath and sweat, metallic taste, pallor, irritability, excessive fatigue, loss of fingernails and hair, pulmonary edema, anemia and weight loss. Copper compounds may be irritating to the skin, eyes and respiratory tract. They may cause metal fume fever, hemolysis of the red blood cells and injury to the liver, lungs, kidneys, and pancreas. Ingestion may also cause vomiting, gastric pain, dizziness, anemia, cramps, convulsions, shock, coma, and death. Germanium compounds generally have a low order of toxicity. The anion and compound reactivity may contribute the greater part of the toxicity.

Signs & Symptoms:	N/A
Aggravated Medical Conditions:	N/A

Median Lethal Dose:	N/A
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Carcinogen:	IARC-3: Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans. EPA-D: Not classifiable as to human carcinogenicity: inadequate human and animal evidence of carcinogenicity or no data are available.
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12. Ecological Information

Aquatic Toxicity:	High
Persistent Bioaccumulation Toxicity:	No
Very Persistent, Very Bioaccumulative:	No
Notes:	Very toxic for aquatic organism. May cause long lasting harmful effect on aquatic life. Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits. Do not allow product to reach any water sources. Danger to drinking water if even extremely small quantities leak into the ground. Also poisonous for fish and plankton in water bodies. Avoid transfer into the environment.

13. Disposal Considerations

Dispose of in accordance with local, state, national, and international regulations.

14. Transportation Data

Hazardous:	Hazardous for transportation
Hazard Class:	6.1 toxic substances
Packing Group:	III
UN Number:	UN3283
Proper Shipping Name:	Selenium compound, solid, n.o.s. (Copper germanium selenide)

15. Regulatory Information

Sec 302 Extremely Hazardous:	No
Sec 304 Reportable Quantities:	N/A
Sec 313 Toxic Chemicals:	Yes

16. Other Information

This safety data sheet should be used in conjunction with technical sheets. It does not replace them. The information given is based on our knowledge of this product, at the time of publication. It is given in good faith. The attention of the user is drawn to the possible risks incurred by using the product for any other purpose other than that for which it was intended. This does not in any way excuse the user from knowing and applying all the regulations governing his activity. It is the sole responsibility of the user to take all precautions required in handling the product. The aim of the mandatory regulations mentioned is to help the user to fulfill his obligations regarding the use of hazardous products.

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