



Material Safety Data Sheet

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Section 1. Chemical Product and Company Identification		<i>Page Number: 1</i>
Common Name/Trade Name	Silica gel, Grade PA-400, 8-20 mesh(Nominal)	Catalog Number(s). SIL55
		CAS# 63231-67-4 or 112926-00-8 or 1343-98-2
Manufacturer	SPECTRUM LABORATORY PRODUCTS INC. 14422 S. SAN PEDRO STREET GARDENA, CA 90248	RTECS VV7340000 or VV7315000 or VV8853000
Commercial Name(s)	Not available.	TSCA TSCA 8(b) inventory: Silica gel, Grade PA-400, 8-20 mesh(Nominal)
Synonym	Silica - Amorphous, Gel; Amorphous Silicon Dioxide; Silica Gel; Synthetic amorphous silica, not to be confused with crystalline silica such as quartz, cristobalite, or tridymite or with diatomaceous earth or other naturally occurring forms of amorphous silica that frequently contain crystalline forms.	CI# Not available.
Chemical Name	Synthetic Amorphous Silica	IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CHEMTREC (24hr) 800-424-9300 CALL (310) 516-8000
Chemical Family	Not available.	
Chemical Formula	SiO ₂ .xH ₂ O	
Supplier	SPECTRUM LABORATORY PRODUCTS INC. 14422 S. SAN PEDRO STREET GARDENA, CA 90248	

Section 2. Composition and Information on Ingredients					
			<i>Exposure Limits</i>		
Name	CAS #	TWA (mg/m³)	STEL (mg/m³)	CEIL (mg/m³)	% by Weight
1) Silica gel, Grade PA-400, 8-20 mesh(Nominal)	63231-67-4 or 112926-00-8 or 1343-98-2	10			100
Toxicological Data on Ingredients Not applicable.					

Section 3. Hazards Identification

Potential Acute Health Effects Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of eye contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

Potential Chronic Health Effects **CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS:** 3 (Not classifiable for human.) by IARC.
MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.
TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.
DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available.
 Repeated or prolonged exposure is not known to aggravate medical condition.

Section 4. First Aid Measures

Eye Contact Check for and remove any contact lenses. In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation occurs.

Skin Contact Wash with soap and water. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. Get medical attention if irritation develops.

Serious Skin Contact Not available.

Inhalation If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.

Serious Inhalation Not available.

Ingestion Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. Get medical attention if symptoms appear.

Serious Ingestion Not available.

Section 5. Fire and Explosion Data

Flammability of the Product Non-flammable.

Auto-Ignition Temperature Not applicable.

Flash Points Not applicable.

Flammable Limits Not applicable.

Products of Combustion Not available.

Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances Not applicable.

Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available.
 Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.

Fire Fighting Media and Instructions Not applicable.

Special Remarks on Fire Hazards Not available.

Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards Substance can explode when wet and heated with magnesium.

Section 6. Accidental Release Measures

Small Spill	Use appropriate tools to put the spilled solid in a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and dispose of according to local and regional authority requirements.
Large Spill	Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and allow to evacuate through the sanitary system. Be careful that the product is not present at a concentration level above TLV. Check TLV on the MSDS and with local authorities.

Section 7. Handling and Storage

Precautions	Do not ingest. Do not breathe dust. If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label.
Storage	Hygroscopic. Keep container tightly closed. Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area. Do not store above 23°C (73.4°F).

Section 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Engineering Controls	Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.
Personal Protection	Safety glasses. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.
Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill	Splash goggles. Full suit. Dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.
Exposure Limits	TWA: 6 (mg/m ³) [Canada] TWA: 10 (mg/m ³) from ACGIH (TLV) [United States] Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

Section 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state and appearance	Solid. (Granular solid. Beads solid. Powdered solid.)	Odor	Odorless.
Molecular Weight	60.09 + xH ₂ O g/mole	Taste	Tasteless.
pH (1% soln/water)	Not applicable.	Color	White.
Boiling Point	Not available.		
Melting Point	Not available.		
Critical Temperature	Not available.		
Specific Gravity	2.1 (Water = 1)		
Vapor Pressure	Not applicable.		
Vapor Density	Not available.		
Volatility	Not available.		
Odor Threshold	Not available.		
Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.	Not available.		
Ionicity (in Water)	Not available.		
Dispersion Properties	Not available.		
Solubility	Insoluble in cold water. Soluble in hot KOH and NaOH solutions. Insoluble in ethanol. Insoluble in acids except hydrofluoric acid		

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Section 10. Stability and Reactivity Data

Stability	The product is stable.
Instability Temperature	Not available.
Conditions of Instability	Incompatible materials, moisture.
Incompatibility with various substances	Not available.
Corrosivity	Non-corrosive in presence of glass.
Special Remarks on Reactivity	Hygroscopic. Incompatible with hydrogen fluoride, xenon hexafluoride, oxygen difluoride, and chlorine trifluoride.
Special Remarks on Corrosivity	Not available.
Polymerization	Will not occur.

Section 11. Toxicological Information

Routes of Entry	Inhalation. Ingestion.
Toxicity to Animals	Acute oral toxicity (LD50): >31600 mg/kg [Rat. This is data from a 48 hr. oral test for DOT hazard classification conducted with finely-ground silica gel.]. Acute dermal toxicity (LD50): >2000 mg/kg [Rabbit. This is data from a 48 hr. dermal test for DOT hazard classification conducted with finely-ground silica gel.].
Chronic Effects on Humans	CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: 3 (Not classifiable for human.) by IARC.
Other Toxic Effects on Humans	Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.
Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals	Not available.
Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans	Not available.
Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans	Acute Potential Health Effects Skin: May cause irritation with dryness of the skin in cases of severe exposure Eyes: No adverse effects expected, but dust may cause mechanical irritation. Inhalation: May cause dryness and irritation to mucous membranes and respiratory tract in case of severe exposure. Ingestion: May be harmful if swallowed in large amounts. However, no adverse effects are expected for normal industrial handling. Silica gel is a synthetic amorphous silica, not to be confused with crystalline silica such as quartz, cristobalite, or tridymite or with diatomaceous earth or other naturally occurring forms of amorphous silica that frequently contain crystalline forms. Epidemiological studies indicate a low potential for health effects.

Section 12. Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity	Not available.
BOD5 and COD	Not available.
Products of Biodegradation	Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.
Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation	The product itself and its products of degradation are not toxic.
Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation	Not available.

Section 13. Disposal Considerations

Waste Disposal Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations.

Section 14. Transport Information

DOT Classification Not a DOT controlled material (United States).

Identification Not applicable.

Special Provisions for Transport Not applicable.

DOT (Pictograms) 

Section 15. Other Regulatory Information and Pictograms


Federal and State Regulations TSCA 8(b) inventory: Silica gel, Grade PA-400, 8-20 mesh(Nominal)


California Proposition 65 Warnings California prop. 65: This product contains the following ingredients for which the State of California has found to cause cancer which would require a warning under the statute: No products were found.
California prop. 65: This product contains the following ingredients for which the State of California has found to cause birth defects which would require a warning under the statute: No products were found.


Other Regulations Not available.


Other Classifications **WHMIS (Canada)** Not controlled under WHMIS (Canada).

DSCL (EEC) This product is not classified according to the EU regulations. Not applicable.

HMS (U.S.A.)	Health Hazard 1	National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.)		Flammability		
	Fire Hazard 0				Health	Reactivity
	Reactivity 0					
	Personal Protection E				Specific hazard	

WHMIS (Canada) (Pictograms) 

DSCL (Europe) (Pictograms) 

TDG (Canada) (Pictograms) 

**ADR (Europe)
(Pictograms)**



Protective Equipment



Gloves



Lab coat.



Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent.



Safety glasses

Section 16. Other Information

MSDS Code S3272

References Not available.

Other Special Considerations Not available.

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Notice to Reader

All chemicals may pose unknown hazards and should be used with caution. This Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) applies only to the material as packaged. If this product is combined with other materials, deteriorates, or becomes contaminated, it may pose hazards not mentioned in this MSDS. It shall be the user's responsibility to develop proper methods of handling and personal protection based on the actual conditions of use. While this MSDS is based on technical data judged to be reliable, Spectram Quality Products, Inc. assumes no responsibility for the completeness or accuracy of the information contained herein.