

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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Section 1: Product Iden	ntification
Chemical Name:	Copper (I) cyanide, 99%
Product Number:	93-2916
CAS Registry Number:	544-92-3
Formula:	CuCN
EINECS Number:	208-883-6
Chemical Family:	metal cyanide
Synonym:	Cuprous cyanide

Section 2:	Composition and Information	on Ingredients		
Ingredient	CAS Number	Percent	ACGIH (TWA)	OSHA (PEL)
Title Compound	544-92-3	100%	1mg/m3 (as Cu)	1mg/m3 (as Cu)

Section 3: Hazards Identif	ication
Emergency Overview:	Harmful if swallowed. May be irritating to skin, eyes and respiratory tract.
Primary Routes of Exposure:	Ingestion, inhalation, skin, eyes
Eye Contact:	May cause mild irritation of the eyes.
Skin Contact:	May cause slight to mild irritation of the skin. May be fatal through skin absorption.
Inhalation:	Dust may be fatal if inhaled.
Ingestion:	Harmful if swallowed. May be fatal if ingested.
Acute Health Affects:	May be irritating to skin, eyes and respiratory tract. May be fatal if inhaled, swallowed, or absorbed through the skin.
Chronic Health Affects:	The dust of copper compounds may cause metal fume fever, hemolysis of the red blood cells and injury to the liver, lungs, kidneys and pancreas.
NTP:	No
IARC:	No
OSHA:	No

SECTION 4: First Aid Measures	
Eye Exposure:	Immediately flush the eyes with copious amounts of water for at least 10-15 minutes. A victim may need assistance in keeping their eye lids open. Get immediate medical attention.
Skin Exposure:	Wash the 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 attention immediately. Keep the victim calm. Give the victim water (only if conscious). Induce vomiting only if directed by medical personnel.



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SECTION 5: Fire Fighting Meas	sures
Flash Point:	not applicable
Autoignition Temperature:	none
Explosion Limits:	none
Extinguishing Medium:	carbon dioxide, foam or dry powder
Special Fire Fighting Procedures:	If this product is 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	If involved in a fire this material may emit toxic fumes.
Decomposion Products:	
Unusual Fire or Explosion Hazards:	No unusual fire or explosion hazards.

SECTION 6: Accidental Release Measures

Spill and Leak Procedures:

SECTION 7: Handling and S	Storage	
Handling and Storage:	Store in a cool place in a tightly sealed container away from moisture.	
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Small spills can be mixed with vermiculite, sodium carbonate or other suitable non combustible adsorbent and

SECTION 8: Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

swept up.

Eye Protection:	Always wear approved safety glasses when handling a chemical substance in the laboratory.
Skin Protection:	Wear protective clothing and gloves.
Ventilation:	Material may form a fine dust. If possible, handle the material in an efficient fume hood.
Despirator	If ventilation is not available a respirator should be worn. The use of respirators requires a Respirator
Respirator:	Protection Program to be in compliance with 29 CFR 1910.134.
Ventilation:	Material may form a fine dust. If possible, handle the material in an efficient fume hood.
Additional Protection:	No additional protection required.

SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Color and Form:	off-white to pale green pwdr.	
Molecular Weight:	89.56	
Melting Point:	473°C (N2)	
Boiling Point:	dec.	
Vapor Pressure:	not applicable	
Specific Gravity:	2.92	
Odor:	none	
Solubility in Water:	Insoluble	

SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity

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air sensitive
no hazardous polymerization
contact with mineral acids
Mineral acids, oxidizing agents and active metals
cyanide fumes, nitrogen oxides, and copper oxide.



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SECTION 11: Toxicologic	al Information	
RTECS Data:	Oral (rat); LD50: 1365 mg/kg.	
Carcinogenic Effects:	No data	
Mutagenic Effects:	No data	
Tetratogenic Effects:	No data	

SECTION 12: Ecological Information

Ecological Information:

Avoid release to the environment. Very toxic to aquatic organisms. May cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

SECTION 13: Disposal Considerations

Disposal:

Dispose of according to local, state and federal regulations.

SECTION 14: Tra	ansportation
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Shipping Name (CFR):	Copper cyanide	
Hazard Class (CFR):	6.1	
Additional Hazard Class (CFR):	NA	
Packaging Group (CFR):	II	
UN ID Number (CFR):	UN# 1587	
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SECTION 15: Regulatory Information		
TSCA:	Listed in the TSCA inventory.	
SARA (Title 313):	Title compound: See category codes N100 and N106 for reporting.	
Second Ingredient:	None	
Third Ingredient:	None	

SECTION 16: Other Information	l .			
	The information herein is believed to be accurate and reliable as of the date compiled. However, Strem			
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