



**HEXAETHYLDIGERMOXANE**

Safety Data Sheet GEH6066

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**SECTION 1: Identification**

**1.1. Identification**

Product name : HEXAETHYLDIGERMOXANE  
 Product code : GEH6066  
 Product form : Substance  
 Physical state : Liquid  
 Formula : C12H30Ge2O  
 Synonyms : BIS(TRIMETHYLGGERMYL)OXIDE  
 Chemical family : ORGANOGERMANIUM

**1.2. Recommended use and restrictions on use**

Recommended use : Chemical intermediate

**1.3. Supplier**

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**1.4. Emergency telephone number**

Emergency number : CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300 (USA); +1 703-527-3887 (International)

**SECTION 2: Hazard(s) identification**

**2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture**

**GHS-US classification**

Acute toxicity (oral) Category 3 H301 Toxic if swallowed  
 Full text of H statements : see section 16

**2.2. GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements**

**GHS US labeling**

Hazard pictograms (GHS US) :



Signal word (GHS US) : Danger  
 Hazard statements (GHS US) : H301 - Toxic if swallowed  
 Precautionary statements (GHS US) : P264 - Wash hands thoroughly after handling.  
 P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
 P330 - Rinse mouth.  
 P301+P310 - If swallowed: Immediately call a doctor  
 P405 - Store locked up.  
 P501 - Dispose of contents/container to licensed waste disposal facility.

**2.3. Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

No additional information available

**2.4. Unknown acute toxicity (GHS US)**

Not applicable

**SECTION 3: Composition/Information on ingredients**

**3.1. Substances**

Substance type : Mono-constituent  
 Name : HEXAETHYLDIGERMOXANE  
 CAS-No. : 2538-70-7

Name	Product identifier	%	GHS-US classification
Hexaethyldigermoxane	(CAS-No.) 2538-70-7	97 - 100	Acute Tox. 3 (Oral), H301

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Full text of hazard classes and H-statements : see section 16

### 3.2. Mixtures

Not applicable

## SECTION 4: First-aid measures

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

First-aid measures general	: Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible). If possible show this sheet; if not available show packaging or label.
First-aid measures after inhalation	: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice.
First-aid measures after skin contact	: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
First-aid measures after eye contact	: Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get medical advice/attention.
First-aid measures after ingestion	: Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical advice/attention.

### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects (acute and delayed)

Symptoms/effects after inhalation	: May cause irritation to the respiratory tract.
Symptoms/effects after skin contact	: May cause skin irritation.
Symptoms/effects after eye contact	: May cause eye irritation.
Symptoms/effects after ingestion	: Toxic if swallowed. Swallowing a small quantity of this material will result in serious health hazard.

### 4.3. Immediate medical attention and special treatment, if necessary

No additional information available

## SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

### 5.1. Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray. Water fog. Foam. Carbon dioxide. Dry chemical.

### 5.2. Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Fire hazard : Irritating fumes and organic acid vapors may develop when material is exposed to elevated temperatures or open flame.

### 5.3. Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

Firefighting instructions	: Use water spray or fog for cooling exposed containers. Exercise caution when fighting any chemical fire.
Protection during firefighting	: Do not enter fire area without proper protective equipment, including respiratory protection. Avoid all eye and skin contact and do not breathe vapor and mist.

## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

#### 6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

Emergency procedures : Evacuate unnecessary personnel.

#### 6.1.2. For emergency responders

Protective equipment : Equip cleanup crew with proper protection.

### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Prevent entry to sewers and public waters. Notify authorities if liquid enters sewers or public waters.

### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for cleaning up : Clean up any spills as soon as possible, using an absorbent material to collect it. Sweep or shovel spills into appropriate container for disposal.

### 6.4. Reference to other sections

See Heading 8. Exposure controls and personal protection.

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Precautions for safe handling : Avoid all eye and skin contact and do not breathe vapor and mist. Provide good ventilation in process area to prevent accumulation of vapors.

Hygiene measures : Wash hands and other exposed areas with mild soap and water before eating, drinking or smoking and when leaving work. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions : Keep container tightly closed.

Incompatible materials : Oxidizing agent.

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Storage area : Store in a well-ventilated place. Store away from heat.

### SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

#### 8.1. Control parameters

No additional information available

#### 8.2. Appropriate engineering controls

Appropriate engineering controls : Handle in an enclosing hood with exhaust ventilation.

#### 8.3. Individual protection measures/Personal protective equipment

##### Personal protective equipment:

Avoid all unnecessary exposure. Emergency eye wash fountains and safety showers should be available in the immediate vicinity of any potential exposure.

##### Hand protection:

Neoprene or nitrile rubber gloves

##### Eye protection:

Chemical goggles. Contact lenses should not be worn

##### Skin and body protection:

Wear suitable protective clothing

##### Respiratory protection:

Where exposure through inhalation may occur from use, respiratory protection equipment is recommended

### SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

#### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	: Liquid
Appearance	: Clear liquid.
Molecular mass	: 335.55 g/mol
Color	: No data available
Odor	: No data available
Odor threshold	: No data available
Refractive index	: 1.4612
pH	: No data available
Relative evaporation rate (butyl acetate=1)	: No data available
Melting point	: No data available
Freezing point	: < 0 °C
Boiling point	: 88 - 90 °C @ 2 mm Hg
Flash point	: > 110 °C
Auto-ignition temperature	: No data available
Decomposition temperature	: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	: No data available
Vapor pressure	: < 1 mm Hg @ 25°C
Relative vapor density at 20 °C	: > 1
Relative density	: 1.147
% Volatiles	: 0 %
Solubility	: Insoluble in water.
Log Pow	: No data available
Log Kow	: No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	: No data available
Viscosity, dynamic	: No data available
Explosive properties	: No data available
Oxidizing properties	: No data available
Explosion limits	: No data available

#### 9.2. Other information

No additional information available

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### SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

#### 10.1. Reactivity

No additional information available

#### 10.2. Chemical stability

Stable.

#### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No additional information available

#### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Heat. Open flame. Sparks.

#### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Oxidizing agent.

#### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Germanium and its oxides. Organic acid vapors.

### SECTION 11: Toxicological information

#### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity : Not classified

Hexaethyldigermoxane (2538-70-7)	
LD50 oral rat	240 mg/kg
ATE US (oral)	240 mg/kg body weight

Skin corrosion/irritation : Not classified

Serious eye damage/irritation : Not classified

Respiratory or skin sensitization : Not classified

Germ cell mutagenicity : Not classified

Carcinogenicity : Not classified

Reproductive toxicity : Not classified

Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure : Not classified

Specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure : Not classified

Aspiration hazard : Not classified

Symptoms/effects after inhalation : May cause irritation to the respiratory tract.

Symptoms/effects after skin contact : May cause skin irritation.

Symptoms/effects after eye contact : May cause eye irritation.

Symptoms/effects after ingestion : Toxic if swallowed. Swallowing a small quantity of this material will result in serious health hazard.

### SECTION 12: Ecological information

#### 12.1. Toxicity

No additional information available

#### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

No additional information available

#### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

No additional information available

#### 12.4. Mobility in soil

No additional information available

#### 12.5. Other adverse effects

Effect on the ozone layer : No additional information available

### SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

#### 13.1. Disposal methods

Product/Packaging disposal recommendations : Incinerate. Dispose in a safe manner in accordance with local/national regulations. Dispose of contents/container to licensed waste disposal facility.

Ecology - waste materials : Avoid release to the environment.

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### SECTION 14: Transport information

#### 14.1. UN number

UN-No.(DOT) : 2810  
DOT NA no. UN2810

#### 14.2. UN proper shipping name

Transport document description : UN2810 Toxic, liquids, organic, n.o.s. (HEXAETHYLDIGERMOXANE), 6.1, III  
Proper Shipping Name (DOT) : Toxic, liquids, organic, n.o.s.  
(HEXAETHYLDIGERMOXANE)  
Class (DOT) : 6.1 - Class 6.1 - Poisonous materials 49 CFR 173.132  
Packing group (DOT) : III - Minor Danger  
Hazard labels (DOT) : 6.1 - Poison



DOT Packaging Non Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 203  
DOT Packaging Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 241  
DOT Packaging Exceptions (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 153  
DOT Symbols : G - Identifies PSN requiring a technical name

#### 14.3. Additional information

Emergency Response Guide (ERG) Number : 153  
Other information : No supplementary information available.

#### Transport by sea

DOT Vessel Stowage Location : A - The material may be stowed "on deck" or "under deck" on a cargo vessel and on a passenger vessel.  
DOT Vessel Stowage Other : 40 - Stow "clear of living quarters"

#### Air transport

DOT Quantity Limitations Passenger aircraft/rail (49 CFR 173.27) : 60 L  
DOT Quantity Limitations Cargo aircraft only (49 CFR 175.75) : 220 L

### SECTION 15: Regulatory information

#### 15.1. US Federal regulations

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TSCA Exemption/Exclusion

CAUTION: This material is supplied for research and development purposes subject to the R&D exemption under TSCA, 40 CFR 720.36, and must meet the requirements of the exemption, including supervision by a "technically qualified individual" as defined by 40 CFR 720.3(ee). The use of this material for "commercial purposes" as defined by 40 CFR 720.3(r) is not permitted in the United States.

##### Hexaethyldigermoxane (2538-70-7)

Not listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory

#### 15.2. International regulations

##### CANADA

No additional information available

##### EU-Regulations

No additional information available

##### National regulations

No additional information available

#### 15.3. US State regulations

California Proposition 65 - This product does not contain any substances known to the state of California to cause cancer, developmental and/or reproductive harm

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### SECTION 16: Other information

Full text of H-phrases::

H301

Toxic if swallowed

Abbreviations and acronyms

: Abbreviations: ND: Not Determined, No Data; NA: Not Applicable; LD: Lethal Dose; LC: Lethal Concentration; ATE: Acute Toxicity Estimates; H: hour; °: °C unless otherwise stated; mm: millimeters Hg, torr; PEL: permissible exposure level; TWA: time weighted average; TLV: threshold limit value; TG: Test Guideline; NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health; IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer; NTP: National Toxicology Program; HMIS: Hazardous Material Information System; CAS No.: Chemical Abstract Service Registration Number; EC No.: European Commission Registration Number; EC Index No.: European Commission Index Number; OECD: The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development; GHS: The Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling; APF: Assigned Protection Factor.

#### Hazard Rating

Health : 3 Serious Hazard - Major injury likely unless prompt action is taken and medical treatment is given

Flammability : 1 Slight Hazard - Materials that must be preheated before ignition will occur. Includes liquids, solids and semi solids having a flash point above 200 F. (Class IIIB)

Physical : 0 Minimal Hazard - Materials that are normally stable, even under fire conditions, and will NOT react with water, polymerize, decompose, condense, or self-react. Non-Explosives.

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