

OPTIGEL-WM

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SECTION 1: Identification of the hazardous chemical and of the supplier**Product identifier**

Product name : OPTIGEL-WM

Recommended use : Rheology Additive

Manufacturer or supplier's details

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+65 3158 1074 (All languages)**SECTION 2: Hazards identification****Classification of the hazardous chemical**

Carcinogenicity : Category 1A

Label elements

Hazard pictograms :



Signal word : Danger

Hazard statements : H350 May cause cancer.

Precautionary statements :

Prevention:

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.

P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

P281 Use personal protective equipment as required.

Response:

P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.

Storage:

P405 Store locked up.

Disposal:

P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

Other hazards which do not result in classification

None known.

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SECTION 3: Composition and information of the ingredients of the hazardous chemical

Substance / Mixture : Mixture
 Chemical nature : Modified activated phyllosilicate

Components

Chemical name	CAS-No.	Concentration (% w/w)
Quartz (SiO ₂)	14808-60-7	>= 0.5 -< 1

SECTION 4: First aid measures

General advice : Move out of dangerous area.
 Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
 Do not leave the victim unattended.

If inhaled : If unconscious, place in recovery position and seek medical advice.
 If symptoms persist, call a physician.

In case of skin contact : Wash off with soap and plenty of water.
 If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
 Wash contaminated clothing before re-use.

In case of eye contact : Flush eyes with water as a precaution.
 Remove contact lenses.
 Protect unharmed eye.
 Keep eye wide open while rinsing.
 If eye irritation persists, consult a specialist.

If swallowed : Induce vomiting immediately and call a physician.
 Keep respiratory tract clear.
 Do not give milk or alcoholic beverages.
 Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.
 If symptoms persist, call a physician.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed : No information available.

Notes to physician : No information available.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray
 Foam
 Carbon dioxide (CO₂)
 Dry chemical

Unsuitable extinguishing media : High volume water jet

Physicochemical hazards arising from the chemical

Hazardous combustion products : The product itself does not burn.

Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

Special protective equipment : Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if

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for firefighters : necessary.
 Specific extinguishing : Standard procedure for chemical fires.
 methods : Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local
 circumstances and the surrounding environment.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, : Use personal protective equipment.
 protective equipment and : Avoid dust formation.
 emergency procedures : Avoid breathing dust.

Environmental precautions : Prevent product from entering drains.
 : Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.
 : If the product contaminates rivers and lakes or drains inform
 respective authorities.

Methods and materials for : Neutralise with acid.
 containment and cleaning up : Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

Handling

Precautions for safe handling

Advice on protection against : Avoid dust formation.
 fire and explosion : Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust
 is formed.

Advice on safe handling : Avoid spillage on floor as the product can become very
 slippery when wet.
 : Avoid formation of respirable particles.
 : Do not breathe vapours/dust.
 : Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
 : For personal protection see section 8.
 : Smoking, eating and drinking should be prohibited in the
 application area.
 : Dispose of rinse water in accordance with local and national
 regulations.

Storage

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Conditions for safe storage : Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated
 place.
 : Observe label precautions.
 : Electrical installations / working materials must comply with
 the technological safety standards.

Further information on : Keep in a dry place.
 storage stability : No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls and personal protection

Control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value type	Control	Basis
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		(Form of exposure)	parameters / Permissible concentration	
Quartz (SiO ₂)	14808-60-7	TWA (Respirable fraction)	0.1 mg/m ³	MY PEL
		TWA (Respirable particulate matter)	0.025 mg/m ³ (Silica)	ACGIH

Appropriate engineering controls : As a rule, at least 10 air changes per hour are recommended at the workplace.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment (PPE)

Eye/face protection : Eye wash bottle with pure water
Tightly fitting safety goggles

Skin protection : Dust impervious protective suit
Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the dangerous substance at the work place.

Hand protection
Material : Protective gloves

Remarks : Use protective skin cream before handling the product.
Wear suitable gloves.

Respiratory protection : In the case of dust or aerosol formation use respirator with an approved filter.
Dust safety masks are recommended when the dust concentration is more than 10 mg/m³.

Filter type : Filter type P

Hygiene measures : When using do not eat or drink.
When using do not smoke.
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

Appearance : powder

Colour : off-white

Odour : odourless

Odour Threshold : Not applicable

pH : 10.5 (23 °C)
Concentration: 2 %

Melting point/ range : Not applicable

Boiling point/boiling range : Not applicable

Flash point : Not applicable

Evaporation rate : Not applicable

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Flammability (solid, gas)	:	Not expected to form explosive dust-air mixtures. Will not burn
Self-ignition	:	Not applicable
Burning number	:	2
Upper explosion limit / Upper flammability limit	:	Not applicable
Lower explosion limit / Lower flammability limit	:	Not applicable
Vapour pressure	:	Not applicable
Relative vapour density	:	Not applicable
Relative density	:	No data available
Density	:	2.1 g/cm ³ (20 °C)
Bulk density	:	600 - 900 kg/m ³
Solubility(ies)	:	
Water solubility	:	partly soluble
Solubility in other solvents	:	No data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	:	No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	:	Not applicable
Decomposition temperature	:	Not applicable
Viscosity	:	
Viscosity, dynamic	:	Not applicable
Minimum explosible dust concentration	:	Not applicable

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	:	No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.
Chemical stability	:	No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	:	No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.
Conditions to avoid	:	No data available
Incompatible materials	:	Strong oxidizing agents
Hazardous decomposition products	:	No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure : None known.

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Acute toxicity**Product:**

Acute oral toxicity : Remarks: No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation**Product:**

Remarks : No data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation**Product:**

Remarks : No data available

Respiratory or skin sensitisation**Product:**

Remarks : No data available

Germ cell mutagenicity**Product:**

Genotoxicity in vitro : Remarks: No data available

Genotoxicity in vivo : Remarks: No data available

Carcinogenicity**Product:**

Remarks : No data available

Reproductive toxicity**Product:**

Effects on fertility : Remarks: No data available

Effects on foetal development : Remarks: No data available

STOT - single exposure**Product:**

Remarks : No data available

STOT - repeated exposure**Product:**

Remarks : No data available

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Repeated dose toxicity**Product:**

Remarks : No data available

Aspiration toxicity**Product:**

No data available

Further information**Product:**

Remarks : No data available

SECTION 12: Ecological information**Ecotoxicity****Product:**Toxicity to fish :
Remarks: No data availableToxicity to daphnia and other :
aquatic invertebrates : Remarks: No data available**Persistence and degradability****Product:**

Biodegradability : Remarks: No data available

Bioaccumulative potential**Product:**

Bioaccumulation : Remarks: No data available

Mobility in soil

No data available

Other adverse effects**Product:**Additional ecological :
information : No data available

SECTION 13: Disposal information**Disposal methods**Waste from residues : Do not dispose of waste into sewer.
Do not contaminate ponds, waterways or ditches with
chemical or used container.

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Contaminated packaging : Send to a licensed waste management company.
 : Empty remaining contents.
 : Dispose of as unused product.
 : Do not re-use empty containers.

SECTION 14: Transport information

International Regulations

UNRTDG

UN number : Not applicable
 Proper shipping name : Not applicable
 Class : Not applicable
 Subsidiary risk : Not applicable
 Packing group : Not applicable
 Labels : Not applicable

IATA-DGR

UN/ID No. : Not applicable
 Proper shipping name : Not applicable
 Class : Not applicable
 Subsidiary risk : Not applicable
 Packing group : Not applicable
 Labels : Not applicable
 Packing instruction (cargo aircraft) : Not applicable
 Packing instruction (passenger aircraft) : Not applicable

IMDG-Code

UN number : Not applicable
 Proper shipping name : Not applicable
 Class : Not applicable
 Subsidiary risk : Not applicable
 Packing group : Not applicable
 Labels : Not applicable
 EmS Code : Not applicable
 Marine pollutant : Not applicable

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable for product as supplied.

Special precautions for user

Not applicable

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

Safety, health, and environmental regulations specific for the hazardous chemical

Occupational Safety and Health (Classification, Labelling and Safety Data Sheet of Hazardous Chemicals) Regulations 2013.

Occupational Safety and Health (Use and Standards of Exposure of Chemicals Hazardous to Health) Regulations 2000.

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SECTION 16: Other information

Date format : dd.mm.yyyy

Full text of other abbreviations

ACGIH : USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
MY PEL : Malaysia. Occupational Safety and Health (Use and Standards of Exposure of Chemicals Hazardous to Health) Regulations 2000.

ACGIH / TWA : 8-hour, time-weighted average

MY PEL / TWA : Eight-hour time-weighted average airborne concentration

AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ANTT - National Agency for Transport by Land of Brazil; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; ERG - Emergency Response Guide; GHS - Globally Harmonised System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organisation; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardisation; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; MERCOSUR - The Agreement for the Facilitation of the Transport of Dangerous Goods; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; Nch - Chilean Norm; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NOM - Official Mexican Norm; NTP - National Toxicology Program; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TDG - Transportation of Dangerous Goods; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative; WHMIS - Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System

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