

## SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

### 1.1. Product identifier

<b>Product Description:</b>	<b><u>Tungsten carbide</u></b>
<b>Cat No. :</b>	<b>12482</b>
<b>Synonyms</b>	Tungsten Monocarbide.
<b>CAS No</b>	12070-12-1
<b>EC No</b>	235-123-0
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C W
<b>REACH registration number</b>	-

### 1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

<b>Recommended Use</b>	Laboratory chemicals.
<b>Uses advised against</b>	No Information available

### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

<b>Company</b>	Avocado Research Chemicals Ltd. (Part of Thermo Fisher Scientific) Shore Road, Heysham Lancashire, LA3 2XY, United Kingdom Office Tel: +44 (0) 1524 850506 Office Fax: +44 (0) 1524 850608
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### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

For information **US** call: 001-800-227-6701 / **Europe** call: +32 14 57 52 11  
Emergency Number **US**:001-201-796-7100 / **Europe**: +32 14 57 52 99  
**CHEMTREC** Tel. No. **US**:001-800-424-9300 / **Europe**:001-703-527-3887

## SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

**CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567**

#### Physical hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

#### Health hazards

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Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

## **Environmental hazards**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## **2.2. Label elements**

None required

## **2.3. Other hazards**

In accordance with Annex XIII of the REACH Regulation, inorganic substances do not require assessment

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## **SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

### **3.1. Substances**

Component	CAS No	EC No	Weight %	CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567
Tungsten carbide	12070-12-1	EEC No. 235-123-0	99	-

REACH registration number

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Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## **SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

### **4.1. Description of first aid measures**

<b>General Advice</b>	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Self-Protection of the First Aider</b>	No special precautions required.

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## 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

None reasonably foreseeable.

## 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

**Notes to Physician** Treat symptomatically.

## SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1. Extinguishing media

#### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

#### **Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons**

No information available.

### 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Tungsten oxides, Carbon oxides.

### 5.3. Advice for firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

## SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid dust formation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Should not be released into the environment. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

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

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

### 6.4. Reference to other sections

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Avoid dust formation. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe (dust, vapor, mist, gas). Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

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## Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

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

Keep in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

Technical Rules for Hazardous Substances (TRGS) 510 Class 13  
Storage Class (LGK) (Germany)

## 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Use in laboratories

## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1. Control parameters

#### Exposure limits

List source(s): UK - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020.

Component	The United Kingdom	European Union	Ireland
Tungsten carbide	STEL: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr		

#### Biological limit values

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

#### Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) / Derived Minimum Effect Level (DMEL)

See table for values

Component	Acute effects local (Dermal)	Acute effects systemic (Dermal)	Chronic effects local (Dermal)	Chronic effects systemic (Dermal)
Tungsten carbide 12070-12-1 ( 99 )				DNEL = 1.8mg/kg bw/day

Component	Acute effects local (Inhalation)	Acute effects systemic (Inhalation)	Chronic effects local (Inhalation)	Chronic effects systemic (Inhalation)
Tungsten carbide 12070-12-1 ( 99 )				DNEL = 6.2mg/m <sup>3</sup>

#### Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

See values below.

Component	Fresh water	Fresh water sediment	Water Intermittent	Microorganisms in sewage treatment	Soil (Agriculture)
Tungsten carbide 12070-12-1 ( 99 )	PNEC = 0.338mg/L	PNEC = 960mg/kg sediment dw	PNEC = 0.31mg/L	PNEC = 9.39mg/L	PNEC = 2.17mg/kg soil dw

Component	Marine water	Marine water sediment	Marine water intermittent	Food chain	Air
Tungsten carbide 12070-12-1 ( 99 )	PNEC = 0.0338mg/L	PNEC = 96mg/kg sediment dw	PNEC = 0.31mg/L	PNEC = 0.011g/kg food	

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## 8.2. Exposure controls

### Engineering Measures

Ventilation systems.

Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye Protection

Goggles (European standard - EN 166)

#### Hand Protection

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	EU standard	Glove comments
Natural rubber	See manufacturers recommendations	-	EN 374	(minimum requirement)
Nitrile rubber				
Neoprene				
PVC				

#### Skin and body protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

#### Respiratory Protection

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators.

To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly

#### Large scale/emergency use

Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 136 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced

**Recommended Filter type:** Particulates filter conforming to EN 143

#### Small scale/Laboratory use

Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149:2001 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

**Recommended half mask:-** Particle filtering: EN149:2001

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

#### Environmental exposure controls

No information available.

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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

#### Physical State

Powder Solid

#### Appearance

Grey

#### Odor

No information available

#### Odor Threshold

No data available

#### Melting Point/Range

No data available

#### Softening Point

No data available

#### Boiling Point/Range

No information available

#### Flammability (liquid)

Not applicable

Solid

#### Flammability (solid,gas)

No information available

#### Explosion Limits

No data available

#### Flash Point

No information available

**Method -** No information available

#### Autoignition Temperature

No data available

#### Decomposition Temperature

No data available

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pH	Not applicable	
Viscosity	Not applicable	Solid
Water Solubility	No information available	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Vapor Pressure	No data available	
Density / Specific Gravity	No data available	
Bulk Density	No data available	
Vapor Density	Not applicable	Solid
Particle characteristics	No data available	

## 9.2. Other information

Molecular Formula	C W
Molecular Weight	195.86
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable - Solid

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1. Reactivity

None known, based on information available

### 10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous Polymerization No information available.  
Hazardous Reactions None under normal processing.

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Incompatible products. Excess heat.

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Oxidizing agent.

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Tungsten oxides. Carbon oxides.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1. Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

#### Product Information

#### (a) acute toxicity;

Oral	No data available
Dermal	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met
Inhalation	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Tungsten carbide	-	LD50 > 2000 mg/kg ( Rat )	LC50 > 5.3 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; No data available

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**(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;**

Respiratory	No data available
Skin	No data available

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;** No data available

**(f) carcinogenicity;** No data available

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

**(g) reproductive toxicity;** No data available

**(h) STOT-single exposure;** No data available

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure;** No data available

Target Organs None known.

**(j) aspiration hazard;** Not applicable  
Solid

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** No information available.

## 11.2. Information on other hazards

**Endocrine Disrupting Properties** Assess endocrine disrupting properties for human health. This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1. Toxicity

**Ecotoxicity effects** May cause long-term adverse effects in the environment. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

**12.2. Persistence and degradability** Product contains heavy metals. Discharge into the environment must be avoided. Special pre-treatment is necessary

<b>Persistence</b>	May persist.
<b>Degradability</b>	Not relevant for inorganic substances.
<b>Degradation in sewage treatment plant</b>	Contains substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste water treatment plants.

**12.3. Bioaccumulative potential** Product has a high potential to bioconcentrate

**12.4. Mobility in soil** No information available

**12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment** In accordance with Annex XIII of the REACH Regulation, inorganic substances do not require assessment.

### 12.6. Endocrine disrupting

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## properties

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## 12.7. Other adverse effects

**Persistent Organic Pollutant** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

**Ozone Depletion Potential** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

**Waste from Residues/Unused Products** Waste is classified as hazardous. Dispose of in accordance with the European Directives on waste and hazardous waste. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

**Contaminated Packaging** Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.

**European Waste Catalogue (EWC)** According to the European Waste Catalog, Waste Codes are not product specific, but application specific.

**Other Information** Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains.

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**IMDG/IMO** Not regulated

### 14.1. UN number

### 14.2. UN proper shipping name

### 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

### 14.4. Packing group

**ADR** Not regulated

### 14.1. UN number

### 14.2. UN proper shipping name

### 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

### 14.4. Packing group

**IATA** Not regulated

### 14.1. UN number

### 14.2. UN proper shipping name

### 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

### 14.4. Packing group

**14.5. Environmental hazards** No hazards identified

**14.6. Special precautions for user** No special precautions required.

**14.7. Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments** Not applicable, packaged goods

## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

**15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**



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## International Inventories

China, X = listed, Australia, U.S.A. (TSCA), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Australia (AICS), Korea (KECL), China (IECSC), Japan (ENCS), Philippines (PICCS), Taiwan (TCSI), Japan (ISHL), New Zealand (NZIoC), Japan (ISHL). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	IECSC	TCSI	KECL	ENCS	ISHL
Tungsten carbide	12070-12-1	235-123-0	-	-	X	X	KE-35003	X	X

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Tungsten carbide	12070-12-1	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X

**Legend:** X - Listed '-' - Not Listed

**KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

## Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Not applicable

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Tungsten carbide	12070-12-1	-	-	-

## Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC)

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements
Tungsten carbide	12070-12-1	Not applicable	Not applicable

## Regulation (EC) No 649/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals

Not applicable

## Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?

Not applicable

Take note of Directive 98/24/EC on the protection of the health and safety of workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work .

## National Regulations

**UK** - Take note of Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) 2002 and 2005 Amendment

## WGK Classification

See table for values

Component	Germany - Water Classification (AwSV)	Germany - TA-Luft Class
Tungsten carbide	nwg	

Component	France - INRS (Tables of occupational diseases)
Tungsten carbide	Tableaux des maladies professionnelles (TMP) - RG 70ter

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## 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

A Chemical Safety Assessment/Report (CSA/CSR) has not been conducted

## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3

#### Legend

**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

**DSL/NDL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

**NZIoC** - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

**WEL** - Workplace Exposure Limit

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level

**RPE** - Respiratory Protective Equipment

**LC50** - Lethal Concentration 50%

**NOEC** - No Observed Effect Concentration

**PBT** - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

**TWA** - Time Weighted Average

**IARC** - International Agency for Research on Cancer Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

**LD50** - Lethal Dose 50%

**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50%

**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

**vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

**ADR** - European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

**IMO/IMDG** - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

#### Key literature references and sources for data

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

**ICAO/IATA** - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association

**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

**ATE** - Acute Toxicity Estimate

**VOC** - (Volatile Organic Compound)

#### Training Advice

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

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Health, Safety and Environmental Department

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#### Revision Summary

New emergency telephone response service provider.

**This safety data sheet complies with Regulation UK SI 2019/758 and UK SI 2020/1577 as amended.**

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