

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

Product: Carbon nanotube, single-walled



## (1) PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

### Identification of the substance or preparation

TRADE/MATERIAL NAME: Carbon nanotube, single-walled  
CHEMICAL NAME: Carbon nanotube  
SYNONYMS: CNT (carbon nanotube), SWNT (single-walled-nanotube), SWCNT (single-walled-carbon-nanotube)

### This SDS is valid for the following

SWCNT Grades: RN-020, RN-120 and RN220.

Use of the substance/Preparation: For laboratory research purposes.

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## (2) HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION (EC)

### GHS Classification

Eye irritation (Category 2A)  
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3)  
Suspected of causing cancer (Category 3, voluntary classification due to nickel content)  
May cause an allergenic skin reaction (Category 3, voluntary classification due to nickel content)

### GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements



### WHMIS Classification

D2B Toxic Material Causing Other Toxic Effects Moderate respiratory irritant  
Moderate eye irritant

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## Hazard statement(s)

H319 Causes serious eye irritation.  
H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

## Precautionary statement(s)

P261 Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.  
P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

## HMIS Classification

Health hazard: 2

Flammability: 0

Physical hazards: 0

### Potential Health Effects

Limited evidence of carcinogenic effect (voluntary classification due to nickel content)

May cause sensitization due to skin contact (voluntary classification due to nickel content)

Inhalation May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.

Skin May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.

Eyes Causes eye irritation.

Ingestion May be harmful if swallowed.

Hazard codes: Xi

Risk Statements: R36/37/38/40/43

## **(3) COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

<u>INGREDIENT NAME</u>	<u>CAS NUMBER</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>	<u>EC NUMBER</u>	<u>EC CLASSIFICATION</u>
<u>Synthetic graphite (carbon nanotube)</u>	7782-42-5	85-90 % wt. for RN-020 and RN-220, 70% for RN-120	231-955-3	Xi R36/37/38
<u>Mixture of Nickel and</u>	7440-02-0	10-15 % wt. for RN-020 and RN-220, 30% for RN-120	231-111-4	T F R11 R40 R43 R48/23 R52/53
<u>Iron and</u>	7439-89-6		231-096-4	F R11 Xn R42/43, R53
<u>Cobalt</u>	7440-48-4		231-158-0	

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## (4) FIRST AID MEASURES

- Eye contact: Immediately flush eyes gently and thoroughly, including under the eyelids, with clean running water for 20 minutes.
- Skin contact: Wash thoroughly with soap and water. Seek medical attention.
- Inhalation: Remove victim to fresh air. Restore and/or support breathing as needed. Seek medical attention.
- Ingestion: Call poison control centre. Never give anything by mouth to someone is unconscious or convulsing. Seek medical attention.

## (5) FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

- Suitable extinguishing media: Water fog, carbon dioxide, dry chemical, foam.
- Decomposition products: Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and metal oxide
- Special protective equipment for fire-fighters: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus if the fire is large.

## (6) ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

- Personal precautions: Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep away from ignition sources. Prevent the formation of dust-air mixture.
- Environmental precautions: Keep spilt material away from drains and runoff, ground-water and soil.
- Methods for clean-up: Collect spilled material using a vacuum with HEPA filter. Avoid formation of dust.

## (7) HANDLING AND STORAGE

- Handling: Ensure good ventilation of the workplace. Avoid dust formation. Keep powder away from open flames and other sources of ignition. Keep work areas clean and free of waste. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
- Storage: Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area. Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Avoid all possible sources of ignition (spark or flame). Store away from strong oxidizing and reducing agents.

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## (8) EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

<u>Exposure limit values:</u>	American Threshold Limit Value (TLV) : 3.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (ACGIH) German Maximale Arbeitsplatzkonzentration (MAK) : 6 mg/m <sup>3</sup> British Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL) : 3.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Italian Exposure Limit: 3.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA; * 7 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL** NEDO Project "Research and Development of Nanoparticle Characterization Methods" : 0.03 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (based on a 4 week test with full-body inhalation by Nakanishi et al., 2011).  * Time-weighted average ** Short-term exposure limit
<u>Occupational exposure controls:</u>	Install and operate general and/or local exhaust ventilation systems of sufficient power to maintain airborne concentration below the defined or recommended limit. If possible, manipulate under fumehood to avoid exposure.
<u>Respiratory protection:</u>	Use a properly fitted, air-purifying or air-fed respirator complying with an approved standard, such as NIOSH (US) or EN 143 (EU). Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the material, and the safe working limits of the selected respirator. For little exposure, use type P95 (NIOSH) or type P1 (EN 143) respirators. For high exposure, use type P99 (NIOSH) or type P2 (EN 143) respirators.
<u>Hand protection:</u>	Handle with protecting gloves. Wash and dry hands after manipulation.
<u>Eye protection:</u>	Wear safety glasses conforming to an approved standard, such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166 (EU).
<u>Skin protection:</u>	Wear protective clothing to prevent contact with skin. The type of clothing must depend on the level of exposure to the product.

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## (9) PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

General Information: Appearance – black powder  
Odour – None

Important health, safety and environmental information:

pH: Not applicable.  
Boiling point: Not available  
Flash point: Not available.  
Explosive properties: Not available  
Oxidising properties: Not expected.  
Vapour pressure: Not applicable.  
Relative density: 1.4 (H<sub>2</sub>O = 1)  
Solubility: Not available.  
Water solubility: Insoluble.  
Partition coefficient: Not applicable.  
Viscosity: Not applicable.  
Vapour density: Not applicable.  
Evaporation rate: Not applicable.

Other Information:

Melting point: 3652 – 3697 °C

## (10) STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

This product is stable under normal storage conditions.

Conditions to avoid: Ignition source.

Materials to avoid: Oxidising and reducing agents.

Hazardous decomposition products: Under fire conditions: carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide.

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## (11) TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Acute toxicity:

Irritant effect on skin:	Skin contact with carbon nanotubes may cause irritation.
Irritant effect on the eye:	Eye contact has shown irritation.
Respiratory or skin sensitization:	Due to the nickel content, carbon nanotubes may cause skin sensitization.
Inhalation	Inhalation can cause irritation.
Ingestion	May be harmful if swallowed.

### Delayed (chronic and subchronic) toxicity:

Genotoxicity: *In vitro*: No increased frequency of mutation and no chromosome abnormality were observed (NEDO project, Nakanishi *et al.*, 2011).  
*In vivo*: No formation of micronucleus (NEDO project, Nakanishi *et al.*, 2011).

Carcinogenicity and Teratogenicity: To our knowledge, this product is not considered teratogenic. Possible carcinogenic effect due to the nickel content.

In addition to the toxicological information detailed above, some of the individual ingredients composing the single-wall carbon nanotubes might have toxicological properties.

### **Nickel dust and fumes:**

Can cause irritation of eyes, skin and respiratory tract.

Chronic overexposures: Can cause perforation of the nasal septum, inflammation of the nasal passages (sinusitis), respiratory sensitization, asthma and scarring of the lungs (pulmonary fibrosis).

Nickel alloys IARC/NTP: Reviewed but not recommended for listing by the NTP. Listed as possibly carcinogenic to humans by IARC (group 2B).

## (12) ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

No known significant effects or critical hazards.

## (13) DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

The generation of waste should be avoided or minimised whenever possible. Avoid dispersal of spilt material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers. Disposal of this product, and any by-product should at all times comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any national, regional and local authority requirements.

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## (14) TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN Number: Not applicable  
Shipping Name: Not applicable  
Class: Not applicable  
Packing Group: Not applicable  
Label: Not applicable

## (15) REGULATORY INFORMATION

### EU REGULATIONS

Hazard Symbol:



Xi

Irritant

Risk phrases:

R36/37/38  
R40/43

Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.  
Carcinogenic effect, sensitization by skin contact

Safety phrases:

S7  
S22  
S29  
S36/37/39

Keep container tightly closed.  
Do not breathe dust.  
Do not empty into drains.  
Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection.

### CANADIAN REGULATIONS

WHMIS Classification:

Class D2B Toxic material  
causing other toxic effects

Moderate eye irritant  
Moderate respiratory irritant

WHMIS Symbol:



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## (16) OTHER INFORMATION

NFPA Classification:

Not classified

Full Text of R-phrases in Section 2 & 3:

R36/37/38 Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.  
R40/43 Carcinogenic effect, sensitization by skin contact,

Full Text of classification in Section 2 & 3:

Xi Irritant

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