# **Product Safety Information**

# Elkem

#### 1. Identification of the Product and Supplier Silgrain® Product name: Application of the product: Alloying into aluminium, production of silicone (siloxanes) via (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SiCl<sub>2</sub>, production of electronic grade silicon via HSiCl<sub>3</sub>; ceramic material and other industrial applications Address/Phone No.: **Elkem ASA, Silicon Products** P.O. Box 334 Skøven N-0213 Oslo, Norway Telephone: + 47 22 45 01 00 https://www.elkem.com/silicon-products/ Contact: support.siliconproducts@elkem.com **REACH** registration number: 01-2119480401-47-0065 REACH and CLP helpdesk: https://echa.europa.eu/support/helpdesks/ **Emergency Phone No.:** not applicable for non-hazardous substances. 2. Hazards Identification Classification of the product: The product does not meet the criteria for hazard classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP) and UN GHS (9<sup>th</sup> rev.). Hazard pictogram: N/A (not applicable) N/A (not applicable) Signal word: N/A (not applicable) Hazard statements: Precautionary statements: N/A (not applicable) Silicon-dust suspended in air may under certain conditions cause dust explosions. (See section 10) Flammable and noxious gases may be formed in contact with moisture, acids or bases. (See section 10 & 11). 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients Synonyms/Trade names: **IUPAC Name:** Silicon CAS No.: 7440-21-3 EINECS No .: 231-130-8 Purity (weight%) > 96 % © COPYRIGHT ELKEM ASA 2022

# 4. First Aid Measures

Inhalation:Irritation caused by dust: Fresh air.Skin contact:Wash skin with water and/or a mild detergent.Eye contact:Rinse eyes with water/saline solution. See a physician on persistent feeling of discomfort.Ingestion:Remove the person affected from dust-exposed area. See inhalation.

## 5. Fire Fighting Measures

Extinguishing media: Dry sand, CO<sub>2</sub> or dry powder.

Lump silicon is not combustible. Dusts of silicon with particle diameter < 75  $\mu$ m can be ignited and will propagate flame.

Silicon-dust suspended in air may under certain conditions cause dust explosions. (See section 10).

#### 6. Accidental Release Measures

Avoid handling that generates dust build-up. Released material should be collected in suitable containers. Dry dust can be vacuumed or swept up.

## 7. Handling and Storage

Handling:	Avoid handling that generates dust build-up. (See section 8).
	Avoid ignition sources (e.g. welding) in areas with high dust concentrations.
	Addition of wet material to molten silicon may cause explosions. (See section 10).
Storage:	Keep product dry.

# 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

#### A. Occupational exposure controls

Eye protection, eye flushing facilities and protective gloves. Ensure good ventilation. Wear a particulate respirator according to EN 149 FFP 2S in areas of inadequate ventilation.



#### Occupational Exposure Limits (ACGIH <sup>1)</sup>, 2016):

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Substance	[CAS No.]	ppm	mg/m³	ppm	mg/m³	
PNOS <sup>2)</sup>	-	-	10 <sup>(I)</sup> /3 <sup>(R)</sup>	-	-	-

<sup>1)</sup> American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

 <sup>2)</sup> Particulates (insoluble or poorly soluble) Not Otherwise Specified. Dust from the product is considered to be PNOS. Specific TLVs for the individual substances have not been established or have been withdrawn, respectively.
<sup>(1)</sup> Inhalable fraction

**ACGIH TLV** 

<sup>(R)</sup> Respirable fraction

# **B. Environmental exposure controls**

See Section 6, 7 and 12.

# Limit value for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> (Directive 2008/50/EC):

	Averaging period	Limit value
PM10	One day	50 µg/m³★
PM10	Calendar year	25 µg/m <sup>3</sup>
PM <sub>2,5</sub>	Calendar year	15 µg/m <sup>3</sup>

 $\star$ Not to be exceeded more than 30 times a calendar year.

## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Structure	: Crystalline
Form	: Lump material.
Colour	: Silvery material.
Odour	: Odourless.
Solubility (Water)	: Insoluble/slightly soluble.
Melting Point (°C)	: Approx. 1410
Boiling Point (°C)	: Approx. 2355
Specific Gravity (water = 1)	: Approx. 2.3

# 10. Stability and Reactivity

Silicon is insoluble in most acids, but dissolves in a mixture of hydrofluoric acid (HF) and nitric acid (HNO<sub>3</sub>) evolving hazardous gases (see below). Silicon dissolves readily in dilute lye (NaOH and KOH) and ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>).

Conditions to avoid:

Avoid generating sparks or other ignition sources (e.g. welding) in areas with high dust concentrations. Silicon-particles suspended in air at concentrations above 100 g/m<sup>3</sup> can cause dust explosions. Both ignition sensitivity and the violence of explosion increase with decreasing particle size. Silicon dust with particle diameters > 40 µm probably entails no danger of explosion. Silgrain powders with 99 vol % of the particles < 10 µm have been measured to have lowest ignition energy below 100 mJ and must be handled accordingly. Ignition temperature (warm surface) ≥ 800 °C.

Addition of wet material to molten silicon may cause explosions.

Materials to avoid and hazardous decomposition products:

A reaction with hydrofluoric acid (HF) and nitric acid (HNO<sub>3</sub>) leads to the formation of toxic gases such as silicon tetrafluoride (SiF<sub>4</sub>) or nitrous gases (NO<sub>x</sub>).

The product may also react with other acids, but the reaction with alkaline solutions (see above), gives a more violent reaction (exothermic) developing extremely flammable hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>) gas. Wet product will form extremely flammable hydrogen gas if added to molten silicon, due to decomposition of water.

# 11. Toxicological Information

The product does not meet the criteria for hazard classification according to Regulation (EC) No1272/2008 (CLP) and the UN Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS, 9<sup>th</sup> rev).

Acute effects: Inhalation: Skin contact: Eye contact: Ingestion:	Dust may irritate and dehydrate mucous membranes. Dust may irritate and dehydrate skin. Dust may irritate and lead to dryness. Dust may irritate and dehydrate mucous membranes.
Chronic effects:	No chronic effects known.

**Endocrine disrupting properties:** The product is not identified as having endocrine disrupting properties in accordance with the criteria set out in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU)2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU)2018/605.

#### 12. Ecological Information

The product is not characterised as dangerous for the environment.

MOBILITY:The alloy has poor mobility under normal environmental conditions.PERSISTENCE:Not relevant for metalloids.BIOACCUMULATION:Not relevant, due to low mobility and non-dispersive use.ECO-TOXICITY:The product does not meet the classification criteria for ecotoxicological endpoints in<br/>accordance with (EC) 1272/2008 (CLP) and UN GHS (9th rev.).

Endocrine disrupting properties: The product is not identified as having endocrine disrupting properties in accordance with the criteria set out in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU)2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU)2018/605.

#### 13. Disposal Considerations

The material should be recovered for recycling if possible.

The product is not regulated as hazardous waste according to Directive 2001/118/EEC, nor is it listed on EU's list of wastes (2000/532/EC). This material is not classed as "Special Waste" under the Control of Pollution (Special Waste) Regulations 1996. Prior to disposal of large quantities of this material advice should be sought from the local Environment Agency Office.

#### 14. Transport Information

UN no.	None.
IMDG-Kode:	Not subject to classification.
ICAO/IATA:	Not subject to classification.
ADR/RID:	Not subject to classification.

#### **15. Regulatory Information**

A chemical safety assessment (CSA) has been carried out for the substance in accordance with Regulation (EC) 1907/2006 (REACH).

The text of this Product Safety Information is prepared in compliance with:

 Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)

#### and subsequent amendments.

- Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006.
- UN Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS, 9<sup>th</sup> rev.).

The product has been registered under the Korean K-REACH regulation. K-REACH registration number: 04-2201-00013

# 16. Other Information

According to Chapter 1.5.2 of the UN Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS), Article 58 (2)(a), and Article 59(2)(b) of (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP), which amends REACH article 31(1), safety data sheets (SDS) are only required for substances and mixtures that meet the harmonised criteria for physical, health or environmental hazards. Since this product does not meet these criteria, a SDS according to (EU) 2020/878 is not issued. In order to communicate relevant HSE-(health, safety and environmental-) information, this product safety information (PSI) is provided instead.

In accordance with REACH article 31(5), safety data sheets shall be supplied in an official language of the Member State(s) where the substance or mixture is placed on the market. This obligation, however, only applies for hazard-classified products which require a formal SDS. Since this product is not hazard-classified, the product safety information (PSI) is, in accordance with current regulation, provided in English language only.

REACH article 31(7) requires relevant exposure scenarios from the Chemical Safety Report (CSR) to be annexed to the SDS. However, according to REACH Annex I, section 0. (Introduction), subsection 0.6. no 4 and 5, exposure scenarios are only required for hazard-classified substances or mixtures. Since this product is not hazard-classified according to CLP, there is no requirement for exposure scenarios.

Changes from revision 01 to 02: New corporate address. Paragraph 2 in section 16.

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Changes from revision 05 to 06: Corporate name updated. Reference to GHS 7<sup>th</sup> rev.

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