

## Material Safety Data Sheet

Identity: Boron

Formula: B

### SECTION I - GENERAL INFORMATION

Manufacturer: [Stanford Advanced Materials](#) (SAM)

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### SECTION II - HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS/IDENTITY INFORMATION

Molecular weight: 10.81

CAS #	OSHA PEL	ACGIH TLV	%
7440-42-8	N/A	N/A	0-100

### SECTION III - PHYSICAL/CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Physical States: Solid

Boiling Point: 2550 °C

Vapor Pressure (vs. air or mmHg): N/A

Melting Point: 2300 °C

Density: 2.34 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Evaporation Rate: N/A

Flash Point: N/A

Solubility in water: Insoluble

*Appearance and odor:* Brown amorphous powder, odorless

### SECTION IV - FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD DATA:

*Method Used:* FLAMMABLE*Explosive Limits:* LEL: N/A

UEL: N/A

*Extinguishing Media:* Use suitable extinguishing agent for surrounding material and type of fire

#### *Special Fire Fighting Procedures:*

Firefighters must wear full face, self-contained breathing apparatus with full protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes. Fumes from fire are hazardous. Isolate runoff to prevent environmental pollution.

*Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:* Boron metal is highly reactive. Dust may ignite spontaneously in air. Powder oxidizes slowly at room temperature. Boron metal may emit toxic fumes if involved in a fire. May ignite on contact with gaseous chlorine or fluorine at room temperature. May react exothermically with metals above 900 °C. May also react explosively when ground with lead fluoride or silver fluoride. May explode with hydrogen iodide.

SECTION V - REACTIVITY DATA

*Stability:* Stable

*Conditions to Avoid (stability):* None

*Incompatibility:* NH<sub>3</sub>, BR<sub>2</sub>, BrF<sub>3</sub>, Cs<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>, CuO, HIO<sub>3</sub>, PbO<sub>3</sub>, HNO<sub>3</sub>, NO, NOF, N<sub>2</sub>O KClO, KNO<sub>3</sub>, Rb<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>, S, BrF<sub>5</sub>, IF<sub>5</sub>, KNO<sub>2</sub>, Na<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, PbO

*Hazardous Decomposition or Byproducts:* Boron oxide

*Hazardous Polymerization:* Will not occur

*Conditions to avoid (hazardous polymerization):* None

SECTION VI - HEALTH HAZARD DATA

Boron compounds are very toxic and therefore considered an industrial poison.

*Signs and Symptoms of Overexposure:*

*Inhalation:* May cause coughing, sneezing, and difficulty breathing.

*Ingestion:* Poisoning may cause depression of blood circulation, persistent vomiting, diarrhea, shock and coma.

*Skin:* May cause redness, itching, and/or burning

*Eye:* May cause redness, itching, burning and/or watering

*Health Hazards (Acute and Chronic):*

*Inhalation:*

Acute: POISON-May cause irritation to the mucous membranes

Chronic: May cause difficulty breathing

*Ingestion:*

Acute: POISON – May cause irritation to the gastrointestinal tract

Chronic: May affect central nervous system

*Skin:*

Acute: May cause a mild irritation

Chronic: May cause dermatitis

*Eye:*

Acute: May cause irritation

Chronic: May cause burning

*Target Organs:*

*Carcinogenicity:* NTP? NO IARC Monographs? NO OSHA Regulated? NO

*Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure:* Pre-existing respiratory disorders

*Emergency and First Aid Procedures:*

*Inhalation:* Remove victim to fresh air, keep warm and quiet, and give oxygen if breathing is difficult; seek medical attention

*Ingestion:* Give 1-2 glasses of milk or water and induce vomiting, seek medical attention. Never induce vomiting or give anything by mouth to an unconscious person

*Skin:* Remove contaminated clothing, brush material off skin, wash affected area with mild soap and water, and seek medical attention if symptoms persist

*Eye:* Flush eyes with lukewarm water, lifting upper and lower eyelids for at least 15 minutes and seek medical attention

SECTION VII - PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING AND USE
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*Steps to be taken in case material is released or spilled:*

Wear appropriate respiratory and protective equipment specified in section VIII. Isolate spill area, provide ventilation and extinguish sources of ignition. Vacuum up spill using a high efficiency particulate absolute (HEPA) air filter and place in a closed container for proper disposal. Take care not to raise dust.

*Waste disposal method:*

Dispose of in accordance with state, local, and federal regulations.

*Hazard Label Information:*

Store in cool, dry area and in tightly sealed container. Wash thoroughly after handling.

*Handling:* Handle in a controlled environment and inert gas such as argon.

SECTION VIII - CONTROL MEASURES
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*Protective Equipment Summary (Hazard Label Information):*

NIOSH approved respirator, impervious gloves, safety glasses, clothes to prevent contact.

*Ventilation:*

Local Exhaust: To maintain concentration at low exposure levels.

Mechanical (General): Recommended.

Special: Handle in an enclosed, controlled environment and under an inert gas such as argon.

*Work/Hygienic/Maintenance Practices:*

Implement engineering and work practice controls to reduce and maintain concentration of exposure at low levels. Use good housekeeping and sanitation practices. Do not use tobacco or food in work area. Wash thoroughly before eating or smoking. Do not blow dust off clothing or skin with compressed air.

Please be advised that N/A can either mean Not Applicable or No Data Has Been Established
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