

Palabora Copper (Pty) Limited

Material Safety Data Sheet

Anode Slimes

SUPPLIER DETAILS

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1. PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

Chemical Names and Synonyms:	UN Number:
CAS Number:	NIOSH Number:

2. COMPOSITION

Contains (at varying concentrations) - Silver, Gold, Platinum, Palladium, Selenium and Tellurium

3. HAZARDOUS IDENTIFICATION

Symptoms of overexposure for each potential route of exposure

Inhaled - Coughing

Contact with skin or eyes - Possible eye irritation from dust particles; wear eye protection

Absorbed through skin - N/A

Swallowed - N/A

Health effects or risks from exposure

Acute - None

Chronic - Excessive inhalation over long period may cause harmful irritation; use mask suitable for nuisance dust.

Target Organ – None

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Inhalation:	Induce coughing
Skin contact:	Harmless
Eye contact:	Flush with plenty of running water for 10 minutes. See medical doctor if particles are still lodged in the eye
Ingestion: Drink.	Drink plenty of water. Contact a medical doctor

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flash point: Anode Slimes is an inorganic, fully oxidized, non-flammable and non-combustible material.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Use - Area should be well ventilated. Prevent flakes from entering the eyes. Do not inhale dust.

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Personal protective equipment (minimum required) - Use eye protection to prevent particles from entering eye. If dust levels are high - use a dust mask (FFP2).

Spill response procedures - (include employee protection measures) - Vacuum clean or sweep material, use dust masks suitable for nuisance dust (FFP2) and eye protection.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling:

Ventilation and engineering controls: maintain dust level below TLV.
Respiratory protection (type): masks suitable for nuisance dust (FFP2).
Eye protection (type): protective goggles or similar.

Storage:

Maintain good housekeeping to avoid transient dust.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Ventilation System:

A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures below the Airborne Exposure Limits. Local exhaust ventilation is generally preferred because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source, preventing dispersion of it into the general work area. If the exposure limit is exceeded, a half-face dust/mist respirator may be worn for up to ten times the exposure limit, for emergencies or instances where the exposure levels are not known, use a full-face piece positive-pressure, air-supplied respirator.

Eye Protection:

Use chemical safety goggles. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work area.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Lumpy brown/black powder, usually in a damp or wet form

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10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Anode slimes is stable.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Additional toxicology:

Solmonella typhirmurium mutagenicity: Not mutagenic at extract concentrations < 1 500g/l
From (Xenopus laevis) embryo teratogenicity: 48 h ECo: 125 mg/l, 48 h EC50: 645 mg/l

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity:

Daphnia pulex lethality: 48 h ECo: 0.78 mg/l, 48 h EC50: 2.7 mg/l
Algal (Selenastrum capricornutum) growth inhibition: 72 h ECo: 6.3 mg/l, 72 h EC50: 13 mg/l
Bacterial (Pseudomonas putida) growth inhibition: 6 h ECo: 781 mg/l, 6 h EC50: 29 g/l
Frog (Xenopus laevis) embryo lethality: 48 h ECo: 125 mg/l, 48 h EC50: 773 mg/l

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Anode slimes containing waste is normally collected and recycled to recover the precious metal content. Should waste disposal be deemed necessary, follow local regulations.

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14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

This material is not hazardous (per 49 cfr 172.101) by the US department of transportation.

Proper shipping name: not applicable.

Hazard class number and description: not applicable.

UN identification number: not applicable.

Packing group: not applicable.

DAT label(s) required: not applicable.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Anode slimes may be covered by the reporting conventions of some states.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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