# FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC. Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

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### SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

# Mercury(II) Oxide, Yellow

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CHEMTREC Emergency Phone Number: (800) 424-9300 Signal Word

Pictograms

### SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard class: Acute toxicity, oral or inhalation (Category 2). Fatal if swallowed or inhaled (H300+H330). Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product (P270). Do not breath dust or fumes (P260).

Hazard class: Acute toxicity, dermal (Category 1). Fatal in contact with skin (H310).

Hazard class: Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Category 2). May cause damage to the kidneys, nerves, gastrointestinal tract, liver, and brain through prolonged or repeated exposure if inhaled, ingested, or absorbed through the skin (H373).

Hazard class: Hazardous to the aquatic environment, acute and chronic toxicity (Category 1). Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects (H410). Avoid release to the environment (P273).





SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Mercury(II) oxide, yellow	21908-53-3	HgO	216.61	
Synonym: Mercuric oxide				

# SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician (P310).

If inhaled: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing.

**If on skin:** Gently wash with plenty of soap and water (P302 + P350).

If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting (P301+P330+P331).

#### **SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

Nonflammable solid.

Strong oxidizer. Fire hazard when in contact with combustible materials.

When heated to decomposition, may emit toxic fumes.

In case of fire: Use a tri-class dry chemical fire extinguisher.

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#### **SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area. Sweep up the spill, place in a sealed bag or container and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

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## **SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #4. Store with hydroxides, oxides, silicates and carbonates.

Store in a cool, dry place. Protect from light. Store in a Flinn Chem-Saf<sup>™</sup> bag. Store in a poisons cabinet.

Keep container tightly closed (P233). Use only in a hood or well-ventilated area (P271).

#### SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, and eye protection. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Use only in a hood or well-ventilated area (P271).

Exposure guidelines: PEL 0.1 mg/m³ (OSHA); TLV 0.025 mg/m³ (ACGIH) Readily absorbed through the skin.

### **SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Light orange, yellow powder. Odorless.

Melting point: 500 °C (decomposes)

Soluble: Hydrochloric and nitric acids. Slightly in cold water.

Specific gravity: 11.03

Insoluble in alcohol.

### **SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Avoid contact with strong oxidizers. Decomposes on exposure to light.

Shelf life: Good, if stored properly.

#### **SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Acute effects: Highly toxic, irritant ORL-RAT LD<sub>50</sub>: 18 mg/kg Chronic effects: Possible teratogen, neurological hazards IHL-RAT LC<sub>50</sub>: N.A.

Target organs: Kidneys, GI system, nerves SKN-RBT LD<sub>50</sub>: 315 mg/kg

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

# **SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects. Avoid release into the environment.

# <u>SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS</u>

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply before proceeding.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #27d is one option.

## **SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Shipping name: Mercury oxide; Hazard class: 6.1, Poison; UN number: UN1641

N/A = Not applicable

### **SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION**

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (244-654-7), RCRA code D009.

#### **SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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Consult your copy of the Flinn Science Catalog/Reference Manual for additional information about laboratory chemicals.

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