

LITHIUM NITRATE ANHYDROUS

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Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT NAME

LITHIUM NITRATE ANHYDROUS

OTHER NAMES

LiNO₃, Li-N-O₃, Li-N-O₃, "nitric acid, lithium salt"

PROPER SHIPPING NAME

LITHIUM NITRATE

PRODUCT USE

Used in ceramics, pyrotechnics, salt baths, heat-exchange media, refrigeration systems, rocket propellant.

SUPPLIER

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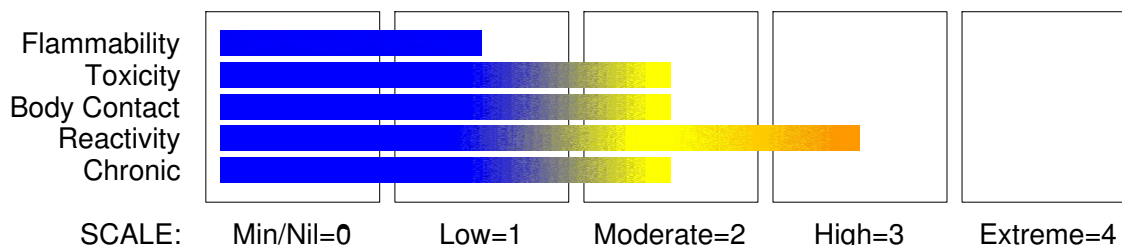
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HAZARD RATINGS



Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

GHS Classification

Acute Aquatic Hazard Category 2

Eye Irritation Category 2A

Oxidizing Solid Category 3

Respiratory Irritation Category 3

Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 3

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Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION



EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

HAZARD

WARNING

Determined by using GHS criteria:

H335 H275 H316 H319 H401

May cause respiratory irritation

May intensify fire; oxidizer

Causes mild skin irritation

Causes serious eye irritation

Toxic to aquatic life

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

Prevention

Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustible or incompatible materials.

Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

Keep away from heat.

Response

If skin irritation occurs, seek medical advice/attention.

Wear eye/face protection.

If eye irritation persists, get medical advice/attention.

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

Storage

Store away from combustibles and incompatible materials

Disposal

Dispose of contents and container in accordance with relevant legislation.

Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

NAME	CAS RN	%
lithium nitrate	7790-69-4	> 99

Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

SWALLOWED

For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

· IF SWALLOWED, REFER FOR MEDICAL ATTENTION, WHERE POSSIBLE, WITHOUT DELAY.

· For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

Where Medical attention is not immediately available or where the patient is more than 15 minutes from a hospital or unless instructed otherwise:

· Induce vomiting with fingers down the back of the of the throat, ONLY IF CONSCIOUS.

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- Lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration.
- NOTE: Wear a protective glove when inducing vomiting by mechanical means.
- In the mean time, qualified first-aid personnel should treat the patient following observation and employing supportive measures as indicated by the patient's condition.
- If the services of a medical officer or medical doctor are readily available, the patient should be placed in his/her care and a copy of the MSDS should be provided. Further action will be the responsibility of the medical specialist.
- If medical attention is not available on the worksite or surroundings send the patient to a hospital together with a copy of the MSDS.

EYE

- If this product comes in contact with the eyes:
- Wash out immediately with fresh running water.
 - Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.
 - If pain persists or recurs seek medical attention.
 - Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.

SKIN

- If skin contact occurs:
- Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.
 - Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).
 - Seek medical attention in event of irritation.

INHALED

- If dust is inhaled, remove from contaminated area.
- Encourage patient to blow nose to ensure clear passage of breathing.
- If irritation or discomfort persists seek medical attention.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

Clinical effects of lithium intoxication appear to relate to duration of exposure as well as to level.

- Lithium produces a generalised slowing of the electroencephalogram; the anion gap may increase in severe cases.
- Emesis (or lavage if the patient is obtunded or convulsing) is indicated for ingestions exceeding 40 mg (Li)/Kg.
- Overdose may delay absorption; decontamination measures may be more effective several hours after cathartics.
- Charcoal is not useful. No clinical data are available to guide the administration of catharsis.
- Haemodialysis significantly increases lithium clearance; indications for haemodialysis include patients with serum levels above 4 mEq/L
- There are no antidotes.

[Ellenhorn and Barceloux: Medical Toxicology].

The toxicity of nitrates and nitrites result from their vasodilating properties and their propensity to form methaemoglobin.

- Most produce a peak effect within 30 minutes.
- Clinical signs of cyanosis appear before other symptoms because of the dark pigmentation of methaemoglobin.
- Initial attention should be directed towards improving oxygen delivery, with assisted ventilation, if necessary. Hyperbaric oxygen has not demonstrated conclusive benefits.
- Institute cardiac monitoring, especially in patients with coronary artery or pulmonary disease.
- Hypotension should respond to Trendelenburg's position and intravenous fluids; otherwise dopamine may be needed.
- Naloxone, glucose and thiamine should be given if a multiple ingestion is suspected.
- Decontaminate using Ipecac Syrup for alert patients or lavage for obtunded patients who

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present within 2-4 hours of ingestion.

· Symptomatic patients with methaemoglobin levels over 30% should receive methylene blue.(Cyanosis alone, is not an indication for treatment). The usual dose is 1-2 mg/kg of a 1% solution (10 mg/ml) IV over 5 minutes; repeat, using the same dose if symptoms of hypoxia fail to subside within 1 hour.

[Ellenhorn and Barceloux: Medical Toxicology]

BIOLOGICAL EXPOSURE INDEX - BEI

These represent the determinants observed in specimens collected from a healthy worker who has been exposed at the Exposure Standard (ES or TLV):

Determinant	Index	Sampling Time	Comments
1. Methaemoglobin in blood	1.5% of haemoglobin	During or end of shift	B, NS, SQ

B: Background levels occur in specimens collected from subjects NOT exposed

NS: Non-specific determinant;also observed after exposure to other materials

SQ: Semi-quantitative determinant - Interpretation may be ambiguous; should be used as a screening test or confirmatory test.

Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

- Jets of water.
- Water spray or fog.
- Foam.
- Dry chemical powder.
- BCF (where regulations permit).
- Carbon dioxide.

FIRE FIGHTING

- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- May be violently or explosively reactive.
- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- Fight fire from a safe distance, with adequate cover.
- Extinguishers should be used only by trained personnel.
- Use water delivered as a fine spray to control fire and cool adjacent area.
- Avoid spraying water onto liquid pools.
- DO NOT approach containers suspected to be hot.
- Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.
- If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.
- If fire gets out of control withdraw personnel and warn against entry.
- Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.

FIRE/EXPLOSION HAZARD

- Will not burn but increases intensity of fire.
 - May explode from friction, shock, heat or containment.
 - Heating may cause expansion or decomposition leading to violent rupture of containers.
 - Heat affected containers remain hazardous.
 - Contact with combustibles such as wood, paper, oil or finely divided metal may produce spontaneous combustion or violent decomposition.
 - May emit irritating, poisonous or corrosive fumes.
 - Combustion/decomposition may produce acrid/toxic fumes of carbon monoxide (CO).
- Decomposes on heating and produces toxic fumes of: nitrogen oxides (NOx).

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Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

Oxidising agents as a class are not necessarily combustible themselves, but can increase the risk and intensity of fire in many other substances.

Personal Protective Equipment

Breathing apparatus.
Chemical splash suit.

Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

MINOR SPILLS

- Clean up all spills immediately.
- No smoking, naked lights, ignition sources.
- Avoid all contact with any organic matter including fuel, solvents, sawdust, paper or cloth and other incompatible materials, as ignition may result.
- Avoid breathing dust or vapours and all contact with skin and eyes.
- Control personal contact by using protective equipment.
- Contain and absorb spill with dry sand, earth, inert material or vermiculite.
- DO NOT use sawdust as fire may result.
- Scoop up solid residues and seal in labelled drums for disposal.
- Neutralise/decontaminate area.

MAJOR SPILLS

- Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- May be violently or explosively reactive.
- Wear breathing apparatus and protective gloves.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.
- No smoking, flames or ignition sources.
- Increase ventilation.
- Contain spill with sand, earth or other clean, inert materials.
- NEVER USE organic absorbents such as sawdust, paper or cloth.
- Use spark-free and explosion-proof equipment.
- Collect any recoverable product into labelled containers for possible recycling.
- Avoid contamination with organic matter to prevent subsequent fire and explosion.
- DO NOT mix fresh with recovered material.
- Collect residues and seal in labelled drums for disposal.
- Wash area and prevent runoff into drains.
- Decontaminate equipment and launder protective clothing before storage and re-use.
- If contamination of drains or waterways occurs advise emergency services.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING GUIDELINES (ERPG)

The maximum airborne concentration below which it is believed that nearly all individuals could be exposed for up to one hour WITHOUT experiencing or developing

life-threatening health effects is:

lithium nitrate 10 mg/m³

irreversible or other serious effects or symptoms which could impair an individual's ability to take protective action is:

lithium nitrate 10 mg/m³

other than mild, transient adverse effects without perceiving a clearly defined odour is:

lithium nitrate 10 mg/m³

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Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

The threshold concentration below which most people will experience no appreciable risk of health effects:
lithium nitrate 10 mg/m³

American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA)

Ingredients considered according to the following cutoffs

Very Toxic (T+)	>= 0.1%	Toxic (T)	>= 3.0%
R50	>= 0.25%	Corrosive (C)	>= 5.0%
R51	>= 2.5%		
else	>= 10%		

where percentage is percentage of ingredient found in the mixture

SAFE STORAGE WITH OTHER CLASSIFIED CHEMICALS



+: May be stored together

O: May be stored together with specific precautions

X: Must not be stored together

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the MSDS.

Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

- Avoid personal contact and inhalation of dust, mist or vapours.
- Always wear protective equipment and wash off any spillage on clothing.
- Use in well ventilated areas, prevent accumulation of vapours.
- Keep material away from light, heat, ignition sources, flammables or combustibles.
- Keep dry and away from incompatible materials.
- Keep cool and below defined Control Temperature.
- Avoid friction, shock or containment.
- Use non-sparking equipment.
- Avoid physical damage to containers
- DO NOT repack or return unused portions to original container.
- Withdraw only sufficient material for immediate use.
- Contamination can cause VIOLENT DECOMPOSITION with intense heat and fire.
- Ensure proper rotation of stocks to limit decomposition and instability which may occur on long storage.
- When handling NEVER smoke, eat or drink.
- Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- Use only good occupational work practice.
- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling directions.

SUITABLE CONTAINER

- Metal can or drum
- Packaging as recommended by manufacturer.
- Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks.

STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

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- A mixture of aluminium powder, water and metal nitrate may explode due to a self accelerating reaction.
- Mixtures of metal nitrates with alkyl esters may explode due to the formation of unstable alkyl nitrates.
- Mixtures of a nitrate with phosphorous, tin(II) chloride and other reducing agents may react explosively.
- Mixtures of metal nitrates and phosphinates may explode on heating.
- Mixtures containing nitrates and organic materials are potentially dangerous, especially if acidic materials or heavy metals are present.
- Metal nitrates are incompatible with cyanides, thiocyanates, isothiocyanates and hypophosphites.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

- Store in original containers.
- Keep containers securely sealed as supplied.
- Store in a cool, well ventilated area.
- Keep dry.
- Store under cover and away from sunlight.
- Store away from flammable or combustible materials, debris and waste. Contact may cause fire or violent reaction.
- Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.
- DO NOT stack on wooden floors or pallets.
- Protect containers from physical damage.
- Check regularly for leaks.
- Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations.

Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE CONTROLS

The following materials had no OELs on our records

- lithium nitrate: CAS:7790- 69- 4 CAS:57137- 39- 0 CAS:66582- 90- 9 CAS:13453- 76- 4

MATERIAL DATA

These "dusts" have little adverse effect on the lungs and do not produce toxic effects or organic disease. Although there is no dust which does not evoke some cellular response at sufficiently high concentrations, the cellular response caused by P.N.O.C.s has the following characteristics:

- the architecture of the air spaces remain intact,
- scar tissue (collagen) is not synthesised to any degree,
- tissue reaction is potentially reversible.

Extensive concentrations of P.N.O.C.s may:

- seriously reduce visibility,
- cause unpleasant deposits in the eyes, ears and nasal passages,
- contribute to skin or mucous membrane injury by chemical or mechanical action, per se, or by the rigorous skin cleansing procedures necessary for their removal. [ACGIH]

This limit does not apply:

- to brief exposures to higher concentrations
- nor does it apply to those substances that may cause physiological impairment at lower concentrations but for which a TLV has as yet to be determined.

This exposure standard applies to particles which

- are insoluble or poorly soluble* in water or, preferably, in aqueous lung fluid (if data is available) and
- have a low toxicity (i.e.. are not cytotoxic, genotoxic, or otherwise chemically reactive with lung tissue, and do not emit ionizing radiation, cause immune sensitization

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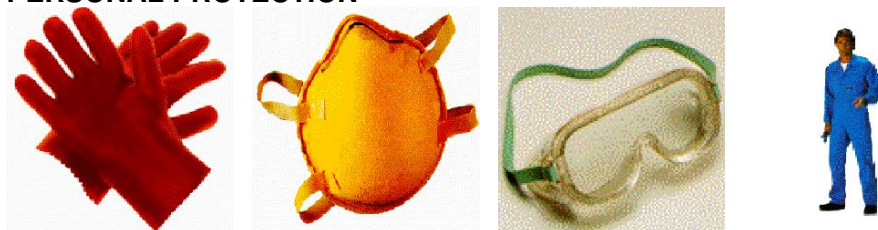
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, or cause toxic effects other than by inflammation or by a mechanism of lung overload).

PERSONAL PROTECTION



EYE

- Safety glasses with side shields; or as required,
- Chemical goggles.
- Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lens or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59].

HANDS/FEET

Wear chemical protective gloves, eg. PVC.
Wear safety footwear.

OTHER

- Overalls.
- Eyewash unit.

RESPIRATOR

Protection Factor	Half- Face Respirator	Full- Face Respirator	Powered Air Respirator
10 x ES	P1 Air- line*	- -	PAPR- P1 -
50 x ES	Air- line**	P2	PAPR- P2
100 x ES	-	P3	-
		Air- line*	-
100+ x ES	-	Air- line**	PAPR- P3

* - Negative pressure demand ** - Continuous flow.

The local concentration of material, quantity and conditions of use determine the type of personal protective equipment required.
For further information consult your
Occupational Health and Safety Advisor.

ENGINEERING CONTROLS

General exhaust is adequate under normal operating conditions. Local exhaust ventilation may be required in specific circumstances. If risk of overexposure exists, wear approved respirator. Correct fit is essential to obtain adequate protection. Provide adequate ventilation in warehouse or closed storage areas. Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant.

Type of Contaminant:

Air Speed:

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solvent, vapours, degreasing etc., evaporating from tank (in still air).	0.25- 0.5 m/s (50- 100 f/min)
aerosols, fumes from pouring operations, intermittent container filling, low speed conveyer transfers, welding, spray drift, plating acid fumes, pickling (released at low velocity into zone of active generation)	0.5- 1 m/s (100- 200 f/min.)
direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of rapid air motion)	1- 2.5 m/s (200- 500 f/min.)
grinding, abrasive blasting, tumbling, high speed wheel generated dusts (released at high initial velocity into zone of very high rapid air motion).	2.5- 10 m/s (500- 2000 f/min.)

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Lower end of the range

1: Room air currents minimal or favourable to capture

2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only.

3: Intermittent, low production.

4: Large hood or large air mass in motion

Upper end of the range

1: Disturbing room air currents

2: Contaminants of high toxicity

3: High production, heavy use

4: Small hood- local control only

Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 1-2 m/s (200-400 f/min) for extraction of solvents generated in a tank 2 meters distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used.

Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

APPEARANCE

Odourless, colourless, deliquescent crystals or powder. Soluble in water and alcohol. Strong oxidising agent.

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Solid.

Mixes with water.

Molecular Weight: 69.96

Melting Range (°C): 255- 264

Solubility in water (g/L): Miscible

pH (1% solution): 7

Volatile Component (%vol): Not applicable.

Relative Vapour Density (air=1): >1

Lower Explosive Limit (%): Not applicable

Autoignition Temp (°C): Not applicable

State: Divided solid

Boiling Range (°C): Not available.

Specific Gravity (water=1): 2.38

pH (as supplied): Not applicable

Vapour Pressure (kPa): Not applicable.

Evaporation Rate: Not applicable

Flash Point (°C): Not applicable

Upper Explosive Limit (%): Not applicable

Decomposition Temp (°C): Not available

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Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY AND REACTIVITY INFORMATION

CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

- Presence of incompatible materials.
- Unstable under normal storage, requires special storage conditions.
- Prolonged exposure to heat above control temperature.
- Presence of shock and/or friction.
- Hazardous decomposition will occur.

Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

SWALLOWED

Accidental ingestion of the material may be damaging to the health of the individual. The substance and/or its metabolites may bind to haemoglobin inhibiting normal uptake of oxygen. This condition, known as "methaemoglobinemia", is a form of oxygen starvation (anoxia).

Symptoms include cyanosis (a bluish discolouration skin and mucous membranes) and breathing difficulties. Symptoms may not be evident until several hours after exposure.

At about 15% concentration of blood methaemoglobin there is observable cyanosis of the lips, nose and earlobes. Symptoms may be absent although euphoria, flushed face and headache are commonly experienced. At 25-40%, cyanosis is marked but little disability occurs other than that produced on physical exertion. At 40-60%, symptoms include weakness, dizziness, lightheadedness, increasingly severe headache, ataxia, rapid shallow respiration, drowsiness, nausea, vomiting, confusion, lethargy and stupor. Above 60% symptoms include dyspnea, respiratory depression, tachycardia or bradycardia, and convulsions. Levels exceeding 70% may be fatal.

Large doses of lithium ion have caused dizziness and prostration and can cause kidney damage if sodium intake is limited. Dehydration, weight-loss, dermatological effects and thyroid disturbances have been reported. Central nervous system effects that include slurred speech, blurred vision, sensory loss, impaired concentration, irritability, lethargy, confusion, disorientation, drowsiness, anxiety, spasticity, delirium, stupor, ataxia (loss of muscle coordination), sedation, fine and gross tremor, giddiness, twitching and convulsions may occur. Diarrhoea, vomiting and neuromuscular effects such as tremor, clonus (rapid contraction and relaxation of muscles) and hyperactive reflexes may occur as a result of repeated exposure to lithium.

Acute severe overexposure may affect the kidneys, resulting in renal dysfunction, albuminuria, oliguria and degenerative changes. Cardiovascular effects may also result in cardiac arrhythmias and hypotension.

EYE

Evidence exists, or practical experience predicts, that the material may cause eye irritation in a substantial number of individuals and/or may produce significant ocular lesions which are present twenty-four hours or more after instillation into the eye(s) of experimental animals.

Repeated or prolonged eye contact may cause inflammation characterised by temporary redness (similar to windburn) of the conjunctiva (conjunctivitis); temporary impairment of vision and/or other transient eye damage/ulceration may occur.

The dust may produce eye discomfort causing transient smarting, blinking.

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SKIN

Skin contact with the material may damage the health of the individual; systemic effects may result following absorption.

Limited evidence exists, or practical experience predicts, that the material either produces inflammation of the skin in a substantial number of individuals following direct contact, and/or produces significant inflammation when applied to the healthy intact skin of animals, for up to four hours, such inflammation being present twenty-four hours or more after the end of the exposure period. Skin irritation may also be present after prolonged or repeated exposure; this may result in a form of contact dermatitis (nonallergic). The dermatitis is often characterised by skin redness (erythema) and swelling (oedema) which may progress to blistering (vesiculation), scaling and thickening of the epidermis. At the microscopic level there may be intercellular oedema of the spongy layer of the skin (spongiosis) and intracellular oedema of the epidermis. Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material. Toxic effects may result from skin absorption.

INHALED

Limited evidence exists, or practical experience predicts, that the material produces irritation of the respiratory system in a significant number of individuals following inhalation.

Although inhalation is not thought to produce harmful effects (as classified under EC Directives), the material may still produce health damage, especially where pre-existing organ (e.g liver, kidney) damage is evident. Present definitions of harmful or toxic substances are generally confined to doses producing mortality rather than those producing morbidity (disease, ill-health).

Persons with impaired respiratory function, airway diseases and conditions such as emphysema or chronic bronchitis, may incur further disability if excessive concentrations of particulate are inhaled.

CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS

Principal routes of exposure are by accidental skin and eye contact and inhalation of generated dusts.

Neuromuscular effects result from chronic over-exposure to lithium compounds. These may include tremor, ataxia, clonus and hyperactive reflexes. Some animal studies have shown that exposure during pregnancy may produce birth defects. Other studies with rats, rabbits and monkeys have not shown teratogenic effects. Human data are ambiguous; it is well established that lithium can cross the human placenta. Of 225 registered pregnancies in which the mothers had received lithium (as a tranquiliser) there were 25 instances of congenital malformation. Although pharmacological doses of lithium cannot be unequivocally designated as a human teratogen, lithium therapy is contraindicated in women of childbearing potential.

Prolonged exposure may produce anorexia, weight loss and emaciation. The kidneys, behavioural/ central nervous system and peripheral nervous system may also show adverse effects.

Various types of dermatitis (psoriasis, alopecia, cutaneous ulcers, acne, follicular papules, xerosis cutis, exfoliative) may also result from chronic skin exposure.

Lithium ion can be an effective treatment for manic depression. It is thought to bind the enzyme IMPase (inositol monophosphatase) and thereby mediates its influence in producing a response to calcium-induced production of neurotransmitters and hormones thought to be responsible for the clinical picture.

In subchronic studies, rats were exposed to 3 milliequivalents Li/kg/day (equivalent to 1450 mg for a 70 kg person) but did not accumulate Li whilst on a high sodium diet. However when sodium was restricted, fatal kidney toxicity developed. Dogs survived daily dose of 50 mg LiCl/kg for 150 days to the termination of the experiment on a normal sodium intake, whereas the same dose was lethal in 12 to 18 days on a low sodium diet: 20

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Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

mg LiCl/kg/day resulted in death in 18 to 30 days.

TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

No significant acute toxicological data identified in literature search.

Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

The nitrates are of environmental concern because of their high water solubility and consequent leaching, diffusion, and environmental mobility in soil and water. Nitrate can contaminate groundwater to unacceptable levels. Nitrite is formed from nitrate or ammonium ion by micro-organisms in soil, water, sewage and the alimentary tract. The concern with nitrate in the environment is related to its conversion to nitrite.

Methaemoglobinaemia is caused following exposure to high levels of nitrite and produces difficulties in oxygen transport in the blood. Thousands of cases involving poisoning of infants, particularly in rural areas, have been reported as a result of drinking nitrate rich well-water.

Other concerns deriving from exposure to environmental nitrates relate to the production of nitrosamines following the reaction of food nitrites and secondary amines. Other nitroso-compounds may result following reaction with nitrites and amides, ureas, carbamates and other nitrogenous compounds. Nitrosamines produce liver damage, haemorrhagic lung lesions, convulsions and coma in rats, and teratogenic effects in experimental animals.

The N-nitroso class of compounds include potent carcinogens and mutagens: induction of tumors by single doses of N-nitroso compounds testify to this.

Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Recycle wherever possible. Special hazards may exist - specialist advice may be required.
 - Consult manufacturer for recycling options.
 - Consult State Land Waste Management Authority for disposal.
 - Incinerate residue at an approved site.
 - Decontaminate empty containers.
 - Observe all label safeguards until containers are cleaned and destroyed.
 - Puncture containers to prevent reuse and bury at an authorised land fill.
- For small quantities:
- Neutralise an aqueous solution of the material.
 - Filter solids for disposal to approved land fill.
 - Flush solution to sewer (subject to local regulation)
 - Heat and fumes evolved during reaction may be controlled by rate of addition.

Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION



Labels Required: OXIDIZING AGENT

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HAZCHEM: 1Y

UNDG:

Dangerous Goods Class: 5.1
UN Number: 2722
Shipping Name: LITHIUM NITRATE

Subrisk: None
Packing Group: III

Air Transport IATA:

ICAO/IATA Class: 5.1
UN/ID Number: 2722
ERG Code: 5L
Shipping name: LITHIUM NITRATE

ICAO/IATA Subrisk: None
Packing Group: III

Maritime Transport IMDG:

IMDG Class: 5.1
UN Number: 2722
EMS Number: F- A, S- Q
Shipping name: LITHIUM NITRATE

IMDG Subrisk: None
Packing Group: III

Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

REGULATIONS

No regulations applicable
No data available for lithium nitrate as CAS: 7790-69-4, CAS: 57137-39-0, CAS: 66582-90-9, CAS: 13453-76-4.

Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

INGREDIENTS WITH MULTIPLE CAS NUMBERS

Ingredient Name	CAS
lithium nitrate	7790- 69- 4, 57137- 39- 0, 66582- 90- 9, 13453- 76- 4

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