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## Safety Data Sheet

According to Annex II to REACH - Regulation 2015/830

## SECTION 1. Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1. Product identifier

Substance name: Magnesium powder or raspings

"Magnesium Powder" or "Magnesium Raspings"

EC number 231-104-6 CAS number 7439-95-4

Registration Number 01-2119537203-49-0022

Chemical formula: Mg
Molecular weight: 24.30 g/mol

Product name: MAGNESIUM POWDERS AND RASPINGS

Full substance identifiers, as per CLP Annex VI, have been provided in subsection 2.1 of this SDS

#### 1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Intended use Melting, alloying, casting (MAC)

Particulates production & handling (PP&H)

Fine particulates production (FPP)

Metallurgical uses (MU)

Solid forming processes (SFP) - incl. production of welding electrodes

Corrosion protection (CP)
Welding in industrial settings (W)

Exposure during etching of magnesium dies

Welding in professional settings (W)

Professional use of magnesium powder in signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling

and simulation ammunition and illumination Consumer use of pyrotechnical products (FW)

Service life of magnesium-containing articles by workers

Etching of magnesium dies

Service life of magnesium -containing articles by consumers

Please refer to section 16 for a complete list of identified uses for which an exposure scenario is provided as an annex.

#### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

#### Name of Manufacturer:

District and Country

Name Société pour la Fabrication du Magnésium SA Full address Rue des Sablons 9

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e-mail address of the competent person responsible for the Safety Data Sheet

Name Société pour la Fabrication du Magnésium SA

## Name of REACh registered EU importer:

Name WIMEX Handelsges.m.b.H. Full address Theresiengasse 67

District and Country

1180, Wien
Austria



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#### 1.4. Emergency telephone number.

For urgent inquiries refer to:

Company Emergency telephone number:

SFM: Tel. +41 (0) 58 911 0200 (SOS Surveillance Company 24 hours)

#### **SECTION 2. Hazards identification**

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Remark: There are two entries in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 Annex VI existing for magnesium; one for magnesium powder (pyrophoric) and one for magnesium, powder or turnings, which are given below (section 2.1.1). According to the current legal classification magnesium powder (pyrophoric) and magnesium, powder or turnings should be classified as follows:

#### Magnesium, powder or raspings

Identification

Classification 1272/2008 (CLP)

Flammable solids Category 1

Flam. Sol. 1 H228

Self-heating substances and mixtures Category 1

Self-heat. 2 H252

Substances and mixtures which in contact with water emit flammable gases Category 2

Water-react. 2 H261

Classification note according to Annex VI to the CLP Regulation: T

According to Note T of the existing entries "magnesium powder (pyrophoric) (Index no.: 012-001-00-3)" and "magnesium powder or turnings (Index no.: 012-002-00-9)" according to Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 Annex VI: "This substance may be marketed in a form which does not have the physical hazards as indicated by the classification in the entry in Part 3. If the results of the relevant method or methods in accordance with Part 2 of Annex I of Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 show that the specific form of substance marketed does not exhibit this physical property or these physical hazards, the substance shall be classified in accordance with the result or results of this test or these tests. Relevant information, including reference to the relevant test method(s) shall be included in the safety data sheet." The full wording of hazard (H) phrases is given in section 16 of the sheet.

### 2.2. Label elements

## Magnesium, powder or turnings

Hazard labelling pursuant to EC Regulation 1272/2008 (CLP) and subsequent amendments and supplements.

#### Hazard pictograms:



Signal words: DANGER

Hazard statements:

**H228** Flammable solid.

H252 Self-heating in large quantities; may catch fire.H261 In contact with water releases flammable gases.



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Precautionary statements:

P210 Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.

P233 Keep container tightly closed.

**P240:** Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.

#### 2.3. Other hazards

No other hazards identified.

On the basis of available data, the product does not contain any PBT or vPvB in percentage greater than 0,1%.

## **SECTION 3. Composition/information on ingredients**

#### 3.1. Substances

Contains:

Main constituent Conc. %

Magnesium

CAS 7439-95-4 ca. 99.5 %

EC 231-104-6

INDEX 012-002-00-9

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#### **Impurities**

No impurities relevant for classification and labelling.

## **SECTION 4. First aid measures**

#### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

No episodes of harm to the staff authorised to use the product have been reported. The following general measures should be adopted as necessary:

INHALATION: Remove to open air. If the subject stops breathing, administer artificial respiration. Get medical advice/attention.

INGESTION: Get medical advice/attention. Induce vomiting only if indicated by the doctor. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

EYES and SKIN: Wash with plenty of water. In the event of persistent irritation, get medical advice/attention.

PROTECTIVE MEASURES FOR THE FIRST RESCUE WORKERS: for PPE (personal protection equipment) required for first aid refer to section 8.2 of this safety data sheet.

#### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The substance if ingested can cause diarrhea.

#### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Advises are given in section 4.1; No special treatment needed.

## **SECTION 5. Firefighting measures**

#### 5.1. Extinguishing media

SUITABLE EXTINGUISHING EQUIPMENT Use dry extinguishing materials (e.g. dry sand, fluxes, iron chips, cement, class D fire extinguisher). UNSUITABLE EXTINGUISHING EQUIPMENT Do not use water.



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#### 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

#### HAZARDS CAUSED BY EXPOSURE IN THE EVENT OF FIRE

Risk of dust ignition/explosion exists. Keep away from any possible contact with water.

Avoid formation of dust also in case of handling massive objects.

#### 5.3. Advice for firefighters

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Avoid contact with water. Use dry extinguishing materials (e.g. dry sand, fluxes, iron chips, cement, class D fire extinguisher). SPECIAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR FIRE-FIGHTERS

Fire fighting clothing i.e. fire kit (BS EN 469), gloves (BS EN 659) and boots (HO specification A29 and A30) in combination with self-contained open circuit positive pressure compressed air breathing apparatus (BS EN 137).

### **SECTION 6. Accidental release measures**

#### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

#### 6.1.1 For non-emergency personnel

Keep away from any possible contact with water, because of violent reaction and possible flash fire. Brush off lose particles from skin. Do not take any action that involves any personal risk or without adequate training. Evacuate the surrounding areas.

Wear appropriate protective equipment (including personal protective equipment referred to in section 8 of this safety data sheet) to prevent contamination of the skin, eyes and personal clothing. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate.

Do not inhale the dust. Avoid dispersion of the product in the environment. Follow the appropriate internal procedures for unauthorized personnel to intervene directly in case of accidental release.

#### 6.1.2 For emergency responders

Keep away from any possible contact with water, because of violent reaction and possible flash fire. Brush off lose particles from skin. Evacuate non-authorized personnel. Wear appropriate protective equipment. (see section 8 of this Safety Data Sheet). Follow the appropriate internal procedures for authorized personnel. Check the dust. Isolate the danger area and deny entry. Ventilate enclosed spaces before entering.

Remove unequipped persons. Eliminate all sources of ignition (cigarettes, flames, sparks, etc.) from the area in which the leak occurred.

## 6.2. Environmental precautions

The product must not penetrate into the sewer system or come into contact with surface water or ground water. No special precautions must be considered. Magnesium is abundantly present in all environmental compartments.

### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Avoid dust formation. Pick up the product mechanically in a dry way. Magnesium waste should be recycled as much as possible. Make sure the leakage site is well aired. Evaluate the compatibility of the container to be used, by checking section 10. Contaminated material should be disposed of in compliance with the provisions set forth in point 13.

## 6.4. Reference to other sections

Any information on personal protection and disposal is given in sections 8 and 13.

## **SECTION 7. Handling and storage**

#### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

There is a risk of a dust explosion if the following conditions are met:

- The substance is given in very finely distributed form (powder, dust).
- The substance is whirled up in sufficient quantity in the air.
- An ignition source is present (flame, spark, electrostatic discharge, etc.)

Therefore it is important to ensure an adequate earthing system for the equipment and personnel. In order to avoid the risk of fires and explosions, never use compressed air when handling. Keep away from heat, sparks and naked flames; do not smoke or use matches or



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lighters. Avoid leakage of the product into the environment. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Do not breathe powders. Do not eat, drink or smoke during use. Remove any contaminated clothes and personal protective equipment before entering places in which people eat.

#### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store only in the original container. Keep the product in clearly labelled containers. Keep containers well sealed. Store in a ventilated and dry place, far away from sources of ignition. Avoid violent blows. Avoid overheating. Avoid contact with water. Avoid generation of condensed water due to harsh temperature changes in-between different storages/stocks or as a consequence of thermal difference between transportation and storage conditions.

Store in a cool and well ventilated place, keep far away from sources of heat, naked flames and sparks and other sources of ignition. **7.3. Specific end use(s)** 

No use other than as indicated in section 1.2 and 16 of this safety data sheet

## **SECTION 8. Exposure controls/personal protection**

#### 8.1. Control parameters

During the risk assessment process, it is essential to take into consideration the ACGIH occupational exposure levels for inert particulate not otherwise classified (PNOC respirable fraction: 3 mg/m3; PNOC inhalable fraction: 10 mg/m3).

#### PNEC value (dissolved magnesium) for European Union/Member state, based on added Mg concentrations

Country	Freshwater mg Mg/l	Marine water mg Mg/l	Freshwater, intermittent releases mg Mg/I	STP mg Mg/l	Freshwater sediment mg Mg/kg dw	Marine sediment mg Mg/kg dw	Soil mg Mg/kg dw
PNECadded (Predicted No Effect Concentration)	0.41	0.41	1.4	≥10.8	268	268	268
Typical natural background concentration	7.1	1290	7.1	No data	6918	No data	3930

All PNEC values are based on added magnesium concentrations (PNECadded), without taking into account the natural background in the exposure media The PNECtotal can be calculated as the sum of PNECadded and the background concentration for Mg in the corresponding environmental compartment.

## **DNELs for workers**

Magnesium is a non-soluble inert powder with an MMAD of 25.6 μm and GSD of 1.72 μm, and the derived DNEL for inhalation is above 10 mg/m³ for the inhalable airborne fraction which is the general dust limit for the inhalable airborne fraction. Therefore, this general dust limit will be applied for exposure scenarios with exposure to magnesium oxide dust.

#### **DNELs for general population**

Magnesium is a non-soluble inert powder with an MMAD of 25.6 µm and GSD of 1.72 µm, and the derived DNEL for inhalation is above 10 mg/m³ for the inhalable airborne fraction which is the general dust limit for the inhalable airborne fraction. Therefore, this general dust limit will be applied for exposure scenarios with exposure to magnesium oxide dust.

#### 8.2. Exposure controls

As the use of adequate technical equipment must always take priority over personal protective equipment, make sure that the workplace is well aired through effective local aspiration.

The general practice of hygiene at work involves certain measures (for example, showering and changing clothes at the end of the work shift) in order to avoid any type of third party contamination and appropriate cleaning practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), do not eat and smoke in the workplace. In general, inhalation and ingestion must be avoided. Unless stated otherwise, certified work shoes and clothing must be worn. Contaminated work clothing should not be taken out of the workplace. Good ventilation in the workplace must be ensured. Local forced ventilation (LEV) is required in the case of processes that generate metal dust. The dust must not be removed (for example from dry sprays) by means of compressed air. Regular training on hygiene practices in the workplace and correct use of personal protective equipment (PPE) is required.

If the product may or must come into contact or react with water, suitable technical and/or organisational measures should be taken to



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prevent the development of toxic and/or inflammable gases.

#### HAND PROTECTION

In the case of prolonged contact with the product, protect the hands with penetration-resistant work gloves (see standard EN 374). Currently there is no information available regading suitable glove materials.

Experience says that polychloroprene, nitrile rubber, butyl rubber, fluoro-caoutchouc, and polyvinyl chloride are suitable as glove materials for protection against un-dissolved solids.

Work glove material must be chosen according to the use process and the products that may form. Latex gloves may cause sensitivity reactions.

#### SKIN PROTECTION

Wear category I professional long-sleeved overalls and safety footwear (see Regulation 2016/425 and standard EN ISO 20344). Wash body with soap and water after removing protective clothing.

Consider the appropriateness of providing antistatic clothing in the case of working environments in which there is a risk of explosion.

#### **EYE PROTECTION**

Wear airtight protective goggles (see standard EN 166).

#### RESPIRATORY PROTECTION

Use a type P filtering facemask, whose class (1, 2 or 3) and effective need, must be defined according to the outcome of risk assessment (see standard EN 149).

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL EXPOSURE CONTROLS**

The emissions generated by manufacturing processes, including those generated by ventilation equipment, should be checked to ensure compliance with environmental standards.

## **SECTION 9. Physical and chemical properties**

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance Powder
Colour Silvery-white
Odour Odourless
Odour threshold Not available
pH Not available

Melting point / freezing point 650 °C handbook data Initial boiling point 1095 °C handbook data

Boiling range Not available

Flash point not applicable (inorganic

solid)

Evaporation Rate not applicable (inorganic solid with a melting point at 650°C) Flammability of solids and gases highly flammable as powder (study result, EU method A.10)

Lower inflammability limit Not available Upper inflammability limit Not available

Lower explosive limit non-explosive (the substance is void of any chemical structures commonly

associated with explosive properties)

Upper explosive limit non-explosive (the substance is void of any chemical structures commonly

associated with explosive properties)

Vapour pressure Not available
Vapour density Not available

Relative density 176 23°C Method:OECD TG 109
Solubility 6.7 mg/L (21°C, pH ca. 10.8) (EU method A.6, OECD 105)

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water not applicable Reason for missing data:Non applicabile

(inorganic substance)

Auto-ignition temperature not self-heating substance (study result, UN-Test N.4)

Decomposition temperature not applicable

Viscosity not applicable (solid with a melting point at 650°C)

Explosive properties non-explosive (the substance is void of any chemical structures commonly

associated with explosive properties)

Oxidising properties no oxidising properties (substance does not contain a surplus of oxygen or

any structural groups known to be correlated with a tendency to react

exothermally with combustible material)



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#### 9.2. Other information

The substance is legally classified as being self-heating (magnesium powder or turnings) and to be flammable in contact with air (magnesium powder (pyrophoric)), respectively according to Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 Annex VI.

The provider of this eSDS likes to note that this current legal classification does not reflect the long-time experience of the magnesium industry. Therefore, new studies have been conducted at BAM (Bundesanstalt für Materialforschung und –prüfung) in accordance to the current valid transport regulation "UN recommendations on transport of dangerous good, manual of tests and criteria, part III" which show that magnesium powder is neither flammable in contact with air nor auto-flammable (measured for magnesium powder samples up to a particle size of  $D_{50}$  40  $\mu$ m).

Nevertheless, the current legal classification of magnesium according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 Annex VI is obligatory until further notice of ECHA.

## **SECTION 10. Stability and reactivity**

#### 10.1. Reactivity

In the course of hydrolysis slowly releases flammable/explosive hydrogen gas. Generation rate is greatly increased with smaller particles.

#### 10.2. Chemical stability

Under normal conditions of use and storage (closed in original container and under dry conditions) magnesium is stable.

#### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

See point 10.1 "Reactivity".

#### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Keep away from any possible contact with water. Avoid generation of condensed water.

## 10.5. Incompatible materials

Incompatible materials:

Chips, fines, dust and molten metal are considerably more reactive with the following:

- Strong oxidizers: Violent reaction with considerable heat generation. Can react explosively with nitrates (e.g., ammonium nitrate and fertilizers containing nitrate) when heated or molten.
- Acids and alkalis: Reacts to generate flammable/explosive hydrogen gas. Generation rate is greatly increased with smaller particles (e.g., fines and dusts).
- Halogenated compounds: Many halogenated hydrocarbons, including halogenated fire extinguishing agents, can react violently with finely divided or molten aluminum.
- Iron oxide (rust) and other metal oxides (e.g., copper and lead oxides): A violent thermite reaction generating considerable heat can occur. Reaction with aluminum fines and dusts requires only very weak ignition sources for initiation. Molten aluminum can react violently with iron oxide without external ignition source.
- Iron powder and water: Explosive reaction forming hydrogen gas when heated above 1470°F (800°C).

#### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

In contact with water hydrogen is formed which is a highly flammable gas.

## **SECTION 11. Toxicological information**

## 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

The information provided in this section is consistent with the information provided in the REACH chemical safety report (CSR) for magnesium. During development of the CSR all available toxicological data have been considered and evaluated for relevance and reliability. Non-reliable data have not been considered in the assessment.



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Toxicity endpoints	Outcome of the effects assessment
a. Acute toxicity	Magnesium powder is not acutely toxic via the oral, dermal, or inhalation route.
·	Oral, rat, gavage (Read-across - MgCl <sub>2</sub> * $6H_2O$ ) LD <sub>50</sub> > 2000 mg/kg bw (OECD 423)
	<u>Dermal</u> Following the HERAG guidance for metals and metal salts, a dermal absorption rate in the range of maximally 0.1-1.0 % can be anticipated. Dermal absorption in this order of magnitude is not considered to be "significant".
	Inhalation: (Read-across - MgO) No acute inhalation toxicity. Exposure to respirable MgO did not produce any measurable pulmonary inflammation.
b. Skin corrosion / irritation	Based on available data, the classification criteria for skin irritation are not met.
	(Read across - MgCl <sub>2</sub> hexahydrate)
	<u>Skin irritation</u> : not irritating (in vitro study, equivalent or similar to EU method B.46, reconstructed human epidermis)
c. Serious eye damage /	Based on available data, the classification criteria for eye irritation are not met.
irritation	(Read across - MgCl <sub>2</sub> hexahydrate)
	Eye irritation: not irritating (OECD 405, rabbit)
d. Respiratory or skin	Based on available data, the classification criteria for sensitisation are not met.
sensitisation	(Read across - magnesium alloys (with a total magnesium content between $89.2-96.8\%$ )).
	Skin sensitisation: not sensitising (OECD 406, GMPT)
e. Germ cell mutagenicity	Based on available data, the classification criteria for mutagenicity are not met. Read across to various magnesium substances.
	(i) Bacterial reverse mutation assay (S.typhimurium, E.coli): (Ames test; OECD 471) negative
	<ul> <li>(ii) Gene mutation (OECD 476, mouse lymphoma): negative</li> <li>(iii) in vitro mammalian chromosome aberration test (Chinese hamster lung fibroblast cell line) (OECD 473): negative</li> </ul>
f. Carcinogenicity	Based on available data, the classification criteria for carcinogenicity are not met.
	(Read across - MgCl <sub>2</sub> hexahydrate)
	oral, mice, 96 weeks  No evidence of a carcinogenic potential was found
g. Reproductive toxicity	Based on available data, the classification criteria for reporductive toxicity are not met.
	Data published by the opinion of the Scientific Committee on Food, 2001 stated a lack of effects during the intake of high amounts of magnesium on the reproductive function in humans. The information are sufficient for risk characterisation.
h. STOT-single exposure	Based on available data, the classification criteria for STOT-single exposure are not met. The classification criteria according to regulation (EC) 1272/2008 as specific target organ toxicant (STOT) – single exposure, oral, inhalation are not met since no reversible or irreversible adverse health effects were observed immediately or delayed after exposure.



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Toxicity endpoints	Outcome of the effects assessment
i. STOT-repeated exposure	Based on available data, the classification criteria for STOT-repeated exposure are not met.  The only effect observed is that magnesium causes diarrhoea if ingested in high doses. According to the scientific committee on food, 2001 it can be assumed that the no-effect level of daily magnesium intake is 250 mg/day. It is explicitly note that this value does not include Mg normally present in foods and beverages. This effect could be regarded as non
	"significant" or non "severe", and does not indicate functional disturbance or morphological changes of toxicological relevance.
j. Aspiration hazard	No hazard expected.
Further remarks	
Summary CMR effects	Magnesium does not fulfil the criteria for CMR (carcinogen, mutagen, toxic to reproduction)
-	Cat. 1 and Cat. 2 according to regulation (EC) 1272/2008.
Information on the likely route	The primary routes of human exposure to magnesium are from inhalation of aerosols and
of exposure	ingestion of food and drinking water containing magnesium.

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## **SECTION 12. Ecological information**

Use this product according to good working practices. Avoid littering. Inform the competent authorities, should the product reach waterways or contaminate soil or vegetation.

#### 12.1. Toxicity

#### **Acute toxicity**

No data are available on ecotoxicity of Mg metal. Read-across from MgSO4 and MgCl2 (and their hydrated forms). All tests were conducted according to international test guidelines (e.g., OECD) or scientifically acceptable methods.

Test Organism	End-point	Value	Reference
Freshwater fish:	96h-LC <sub>50</sub>	541 mg Mg/l	Mount et al. 1997
Pimephales promelas			
Freshwater invertebrates:	48h-LC <sub>50</sub>	140 mg Mg/l	Pillard et al. 2000
Daphnia magna			
Freshwater algae:	72h-ErC <sub>50</sub> (growth rate)	>12 mg Mg/l	Biesinger and
Scenedesmus subspicatus			Christensen 1972
Marine fish:	48h-LC <sub>50</sub>	2800 mg Mg/l	Dengler 2010a
Menidia beryllina			
Marine invertebrates:	48h-LC <sub>50</sub>	2650 mg Mg/l	Dengler 2010a
Mysidopsis bahia			_

#### Chronic toxicity

No data are available on ecotoxicity of Mg metal. Read-across from MgSO<sub>4</sub> and MgCl<sub>2</sub> (and their hydrated forms). All tests were conducted according to international test guidelines (e.g., OECD) or scientifically acceptable methods.

Test organisms	End-point	Value	Reference
Aquatic toxicity data			<u>.</u>
Freshwater invertebrates: Daphnia magna	21-day EC <sub>16</sub> for reproduction	82 mg Mg/l	Pillard et al. 2000
Freshwater algae: Scenedesmus subspicatus	72h-NOEC for growth rate	≥12 mg Mg/l	Biesinger and Christensen 1972

No reliable data are available for chronic toxicity of Mg to fish. According to the available toxicity data for aquatic organisms, there is no need for classification of Mg as dangerous to the aquatic environment, and based on the acute toxicity data, fish are less sensitive compared to aquatic invertebrates. The low toxic potential of Mg to aquatic organisms is also illustrated by the fact that Mg is a major essential element for aquatic organisms and that Mg is abundantly present in the aquatic environment with typical natural background concentrations of 7.1 mg Mg/l and 1290 mg Mg/l for freshwater and marine water, respectively.

**Chronic sediment toxicity** 



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No reliable data are available for the acute or chronic toxicity of magnesium to sediment organisms. PNEC derivation was based on the equilibrium partitioning method, taking into account the PNEC for freshwater or marine water and the sediment Kd-value given in section 12.4.

#### Chronic terrestrial toxicity

No reliable data are available for the acute or chronic toxicity of magnesium to soil organisms. PNEC derivation was based on the equilibrium partitioning method, taking into account the PNEC for freshwater and the sediment Kd-value given in section 12.4.

#### Toxicity to micro-organisms e.g. bacteria

No data are available on toxicity of Mg metal. Read-across from MgCl<sub>2</sub> hexahydrate.

Test Organism	End-point	Value	Reference
Domestic activated sludge population	3h-EC <sub>10</sub> for respiration inhibition (according to OECD 209)	≥108 mg Mg/l	Dengler 2010b

#### **Toxicity to birds**

There is no potential for bioaccumulation and no risk of secondary poisoning for magnesium below the PNEC for direct toxicity in the various environmental compartments.

#### Conclusion on environmental classification and labelling

Magnesium is not hardous to the aquatic environment as:

- The lowest acute reference values for fish, invertebrates and algae are > 100 mg Mg/l.
- The lowest aquatic NOEC for these three trophic levels is > 1 mg Mg/l (i.e., 41 mg Mg/l for Daphnia magna; no data are available for fish but based on the acute toxicity data, fish are less sensitive compared to aquatic invertebrates).
- There is no evidence for bioaccumulation or biomagnification in the environment.

#### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

Magnesium is naturally occurring and ubiquitous in the environment. Upon contact with water, magnesium metal dissolves and behaves as magnesium naturally present in the environment. Biodegradation is not relevant for Mg metal, which is considered as not biodegradable.

#### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulation of magnesium in aquatic/terrestrial organisms is considered to be of no concern since magnesium is an essential element for aquatic and terrestrial organisms. The uptake of essential elements is generally under strict homeostatic control. Under these conditions, the internal concentration of these elements is maintained over a wide concentration range in the environment and rises only dramatically under conditions that are toxic for aquatic and terrestrial organisms.

#### 12.4. Mobility in soil

Magnesium metal is soluble in water. A log Kd value of 2.82 l/kg dw has been determined for freshwater sediment and no data are available for soil. Based on this relatively low Kd value, the Mg2+ ions can leach through normal soil and are relatively mobile in sediment. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

#### 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

On the basis of available data, the product does not contain any PBT or vPvB in percentage greater than 0,1%.

#### 12.6. Other adverse effects

Information not available

## **SECTION 13. Disposal considerations**

#### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

Reuse, when possible. Product residues shall be considered special hazardous waste. The hazards of the wastes containing this product



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shall be evaluated according to applicable regulations. (Directive 2008/98/EC and subsequent amendments and supplements). Disposal must be performed by an authorised waste management enterprise in compliance with national and local regulations. The legal responsible for disposal is the producer / holder of the waste.

Different EWC codes could be applied to this mixture according to the European Waste Catalogue based on the specific circumstances that generated the waste, possible alterations and / or possible contamination.

The product as such, contained in the original packaging, or poured into in an appropriate recipient for disposal, or contained in a damaged packaging after an accidental leakage, shall be classified with a EWC code that is matching the description of the use shown at section 1.2.

The suitable final destination of the waste shall be evaluated by the producer on the basis of the chemical-physical characteristics of the waste, the compatibility with the authorized facility to which it will be provided for recovery, and the definitive treatment or disposal according to the procedures established by regulations in force.

Disposal through wastewater discharge is not permitted.

For hazardous substances registered according to Regulation EC 1907/2006 (REACH), for which a chemical safety report has been drawn up, refer to the specific information contained in the exposure scenarios attached to the Safety Data Sheets.

#### **CONTAMINATED PACKAGING**

Contaminated packaging, properly labeled, shall be sent to recovery or disposal in compliance with national waste management regulations and they shall be classified with the following EWC code: **15 01 10\***: packaging containing residues of or contaminated by hazardous substances

## **SECTION 14. Transport information**

The transport regulation for magnesium powder (pyrophoric and powder or turnings) is given in the following:

#### 14.1. UN number

## Magnesium Powder

ADR / RID, IMDG, IATA: 1418

#### **Magnesium Raspings**

ADR / RID, IMDG, IATA: 1869

#### 14.2. UN proper shipping name

#### Magnesium Powder

ADR / RID: MAGNESIUM POWDER
IMDG: MAGNESIUM POWDER
IATA: MAGNESIUM POWDER

#### **Magnesium Raspings**

ADR / RID: MAGNESIUM RASPINGS
IMDG: MAGNESIUM RASPINGS
IATA: MAGNESIUM RASPINGS

#### 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

#### Magnesium Powder

ADR / RID: Class: 4.3 Label: 4.3 (4.2)







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IMDG: Class: 4.3 Label: 4.3 (4.2)

IATA: Class: 4.3 Label: 4.3 (4.2)



**Magnesium Raspings** 

ADR / RID: Class: 4.1 Label: 4.1

IMDG: Class: 4.1 Label: 4.1

IATA: Class: 4.1 Label: 4.1



14.4. Packing group

**Magnesium Powder** 

ADR / RID, IMDG, PG II

IATA:

**Magnesium Raspings** 

ADR / RID, IMDG, PG III

IATA:

14.5. Environmental hazards

**Magnesium Powder** 

ADR / RID: NO IMDG: NO IATA: NO

**Magnesium Raspings** 

ADR / RID: NO IMDG: NO IATA: NO

14.6. Special precautions for user

**Magnesium Powder** 

ADR / RID: HIN - Kemler: --Limited Quantities: -Tunnel restriction code:

Special Provision: -

IMDG: EMS: F-G, S-O Limited Quantities: -

IATA: Maximum quantity: 15 kg Cargo:

Pass.: Maximum quantity:

Forbidden

Special Instructions: АЗ Packaging instructions:

Packaging instructions:

Forbidden

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#### **Magnesium Raspimgs**

ADR / RID: HIN - Kemler: 40 Limited Quantities: 5 kg Tunnel restriction code:

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Special Provision: -

IMDG: EMS: F-G, S-G Limited Quantities: 5 kg

IATA: Cargo: Maximum quantity:100 kg Packaging instructions:

449

Pass.: Maximum quantity: 25 Kg Pag

Packaging instructions:

446

Special Instructions: A15

#### 14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of Marpol and the IBC Code

Information not relevant

## **SECTION 15. Regulatory information**

#### 15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

<u>Seveso Category - Directive 2012/18/EC:</u>
P7 - PYROPHORIC LIQUIDS AND SOLIDS

Restrictions relating to the product or contained substances pursuant to Annex XVII to EC Regulation 1907/2006 None

## Substances in Candidate List (Art. 59 REACH)

On the basis of available data, the product does not contain any SVHC in percentage ≥ than 0,1%.

### Substances subject to authorisation (Annex XIV REACH)

None

Substances subject to exportation reporting pursuant to (EC) Reg. 649/2012:

None

Substances subject to the Rotterdam Convention:

None

Substances subject to the Stockholm Convention:

None

### 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

A chemical safety assessment has been carried out for this substance and is provided within the technical dossier, submitted to ECHA in October 2010.

## **SECTION 16. Other information**

Proposed alternative classification and labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Remarks: The current legal classification of magnesium according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 Annex VI is obligatory until further notice of ECHA.

It is noted that a CLH report was submitted to a national authority to ask for inclusion into Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 Annex VI. One additional entry is proposed based on new test results (see subsection 9.2 for details)

Magnesium powder (non-pyrophoric, non-self heating):

- $D50 > 50 \mu m < 2,000 \mu m or$
- D50 ≥ 2,000 µm but D1 < 500 µm



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Flammable solids Category 1, Flam. Sol 1

Substances and mixtures which in contact with water emit flammable gases Category 2 Water-react. 2

Signal word: Danger

#### Hazard pictogram:



#### GHS02

#### Hazard statements:

H228: Flammable solid.

H261: In contact with water releases flammable gases

#### Precautionary statements:

P210: Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.

P223: Keep away from any possible contact with water, because of violent reaction and possible flash fire.

P240: Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.

Text of hazard (H) indications mentioned in section 2-3 of the sheet:

Flam. Sol. 1 Flammable solid, category 1

Self-heat. 1 Self-heating substance or mixture, category 1
Self-heat. 2 Self-heating substance or mixture, category 2

Water-react. 2 Substance or mixture which in contact with water emits flammable gas, category 2

H228 Flammable solid.

H252 Self-heating in large quantities; may catch fire.
H261 In contact with water releases flammable gases.

Pyr. Sol. 1 Pyrophoric solid Category 1

Water-react. 1 Substance or mixture which in contact with water emits flammable gas, category 1

**H250** Catches fire spontaneously if exposed to air.

H260 In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously.

#### LEGEND:

- ADR: European Agreement concerning the carriage of Dangerous goods by Road
- CAS NUMBER: Chemical Abstract Service Number
- CE50: Effective concentration (required to induce a 50% effect)
- CE NUMBER: Identifier in ESIS (European archive of existing substances)
- CLP: EC Regulation 1272/2008
- DNEL: Derived No Effect Level
- EmS: Emergency Schedule
- GHS: Globally Harmonized System of classification and labeling of chemicals
- IATA DGR: International Air Transport Association Dangerous Goods Regulation
- IC50: Immobilization Concentration 50%
- IMDG: International Maritime Code for dangerous goods
- IMO: International Maritime Organization
- INDEX NUMBER: Identifier in Annex VI of CLP
- LC50: Lethal Concentration 50%
- LD50: Lethal dose 50%
- OEL: Occupational Exposure Level
- PBT: Persistent bioaccumulative and toxic as REACH Regulation
- PEC: Predicted environmental Concentration
- PEL: Predicted exposure level
- PNEC: Predicted no effect concentration



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- REACH: EC Regulation 1907/2006

- RID: Regulation concerning the international transport of dangerous goods by train

- TLV: Threshold Limit Value

- TLV CEILING: Concentration that should not be exceeded during any time of occupational exposure.

- TWA STEL: Short-term exposure limit

- TWA: Time-weighted average exposure limit

- VOC: Volatile organic Compounds

- vPvB: Very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative as for REACH Regulation

- WGK: Water hazard classes (German).

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

AC Article category

ADR European agreement concerning the international carriage of dangerous goods by road

AND European agreement concerning the international carriage of dangerous goods by inland waterways

BSAF Bio soil accumulation factor BCF Bio concentration factor CAS Chemical Abstracts Service

CLP Classification, labelling and packaging

CMR Carcinogenic, mutagenic or toxic for reproduction CSA/CSR Chemical safety assessment / Chemical safety report

D50 Median particle size
DNEL Derived no effect level

DSD Dangerous Substance Directive

EC10 Concentration of a substance where 10% of the population is affected EC50 Concentration of a substance where 50% of the population is affected

ECHA European chemicals agency

EINECS EU list of existing chemical substances

EmS Emergency schedule

ERC Environmental release category

ES Exposure scenario

eSDS Extended safety data sheet

FOREGS Forum of European Geological Surveys

GHS Globally harmonised system

HERAG Health risk assessment guidance for metals

IATA-DGR International air transport association - dangerous goods regulations ICAO Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air

IU Identified use

IUPAC International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry

IBC code International code for the construction and equipment of ships carrying dangerous chemicals in bulk

IMDG International maritime dangerous goods

KP Partition coefficient

LC10 Lethal concentration of a substance that can be expected to cause death in 10% of the population LC50 Lethal concentration of a substance that can be expected to cause death in 50% of the population

Lethal dose of a substance that can be expected to cause death in 50% of the population

MARPOL 73/78 International convention for the prevention of pollution from ships, 1973 as modified by the protocol of 1978

MMAD Mass median aerodynamic diameter NO(A)EC No observed (adverse) effect concentration

NO(A)EL No observed (adverse) effect level

OECD Organisation for economic co-operation and development

OEL Occupational exposure limit

PBT Persistent, bioaccumulative, and toxic
PC Product category
PNEC Predicted no-effect concentration

PROC Process category

REACH Registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals (i.e. Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006)

RID International rule for transport of dangerous substances by railway

SDS Safety data sheet

STOT Specific target organ toxicant STP Sewage treatment plant SU Sector of end use TWA Time weighted average

vPvB Very persistent, very bioaccumulative

#### GENERAL BIBLIOGRAPHY

1. Regulation (EC) 1907/2006 (REACH) of the European Parliament

2. Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 (CLP) of the European Parliament

3. Regulation (EU) 790/2009 (I Atp. CLP) of the European Parliament



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- 4. Regulation (EU) 2015/830 of the European Parliament
- 5. Regulation (EU) 286/2011 (II Atp. CLP) of the European Parliament
- 6. Regulation (EU) 618/2012 (III Atp. CLP) of the European Parliament
- 7. Regulation (EU) 487/2013 (IV Atp. CLP) of the European Parliament
- 8. Regulation (EU) 944/2013 (V Atp. CLP) of the European Parliament
- 9. Regulation (EU) 605/2014 (VI Atp. CLP) of the European Parliament 10. Regulation (EU) 2015/1221 (VII Atp. CLP) of the European Parliament
- 11. Regulation (EU) 2016/918 (VIII Atp. CLP) of the European Parliament
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- 15. Regulation (EU) 2018/1480 (XIII Atp. CLP)
- 16. Regulation (EU) 2019/521 (XII Atp. CLP)
- The Merck Index. 10th Edition
- Handling Chemical Safety
- INRS Fiche Toxicologique (toxicological sheet)
- Patty Industrial Hygiene and Toxicology
- N.I. Sax Dangerous properties of Industrial Materials-7, 1989 Edition
- IFA GESTIS website
- ECHA website
- Database of SDS models for chemicals Ministry of Health and ISS (Istituto Superiore di Sanità) Italy

#### Key literature references

The information provided in this eSDS is consistent with the information provided in the REACH chemical safety report (CSR) for magnesium. The CSR contains a complete reference list for all data used. Non confidential data from the REACH registration dossier is published by the European Chemicals Agency ECHA, see http://apps.echa.europa.eu/registered/registered-sub.aspx.

#### Changes to previous review:

The following sections were modified: 01/02/03/04/05/06/07/08/09/10/11/12/13/14/15/16.

#### Note for the recipient of the Safety Data Sheet (SDS):

The recipient of this SDS shall make sure of reading and understanding the information included by all people who handle, store, use, or otherwise come into contact in any way with the substance or mixture to which this SDS is referred to. In particular, the recipient shall provide adequate training to the personnel for the use of hazardous substances and/or mixtures. The recipient shall verify the suitability and completeness of the provided information according to the specific use of the substance or mixture.

However, the substance or mixture referred to by this SDS shall not be used for uses other than those specified in Section 1. The Supplier don't assume responsibility for improper uses. Since the use of the product does not fall under the direct control of the Supplier, the user shall, under his own responsibility, fulfill national and EU regulations concerning health and safety.

The information included in this SDS are provided in good faith and are based on the current state of scientific and technical knowledge, at the revision date indicated, available to the Supplier indicated in Section 1 of this SDS. It shall not be meant that the SDS is a guarantee of any specific property of the substance or mixture. The information concern only to the substance or mixture specifically designated in Section 1 and it could not be valid for the substance or mixture used in combination with other materials or in any process not specified in the text.

#### Identified uses

To demonstrate the safe use of magnesium, occupational exposure scenarios (attached to this e-SDS; Annex) have been developed to serve as generic scenarios based on the degree of dustiness of the handled substance. Each scenario includes all processes related to the production and the reported identified uses of magnesium. Each scenario includes the exposure assessment and risk characterisation of occupational/worker exposure, the occupational exposure of downstream users and references to the environmental exposure scenarios.

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# EXPOSURE SCENARIOS

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Name of the substance	Registration number	Identified uses
Magnesium powder Magnesium Raspings	01-2119537203-49- 0076	ES1 Manufacture and recycling of massive metal and metal powder (for Melting, alloying, casting & Corrosion protection)  ES 2 Manufacture of metal compounds (for Melting, alloying, casting & Corrosion protection)  ES 3: Formulation of massive metal and metal powder (Alloying) (for Melting, alloying, casting & Particulates production and handling & Fine particulates production)  ES 4: Formulation of metal compounds – incl. production of fireworks (for Particulates production and handling & Fine particulates production)  ES 5: Use of massive metal (for Solid forming processes – incl. production of welding electrodes)  ES 6: Industrial use of metal compounds  ES 7: Etching of magnesium dies  ES 8: Welding in industrial and/or professional settings (environmental and occupational exposure)  ES 9: Professional use of magnesium powder in signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling and simulation ammunition and illumination  ES10: Consumer use of fireworks  ES 11: Service life/ Handling of massive objects containing magnesium at ambient temperature



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ES 3: Formulation of massive metal and metal powder (Alloying) (for Melting, alloying, casting & Particulates production and handling & Fine particulates production)

particulates pro	auction)				
<b>Exposure Scenari</b>	o Format (1) address	sing uses carri	ed out by workers	3	
1. Title					
Free short title	Formulation of massive metal	and handling & F	ine particulates production)		s production
Systematic title based on use descriptor		PC AC1,	SU14, SU15, SU16, SU17, 3, PC7, PC19 AC2, AC3, AC7 ERCs are given in Section 2		
Processes, tasks and/or activities covered	Processes	, tasks and/or activities	covered are described in Se	ction 2 below.	
2. Operational con	nditions and risk ma	nagement mea	sures		
2.1 Contributing	scenario (1) controlli	ng environme	ntal exposure		
Name of contributing scen	ario				
1. Environmental exposure during formulation of massive metal and metal powder (Alloying)					
Further specification					
ERCs cove	ered in	this	scenario:	ERC	2,3
	ERC2 and 3 values from the ECled by the spERC for formulation			re used.	
Product characteristic					
Magnesium can be in the form of raw materials, scrap or ingots					
Amounts used					
Amounts up to 4000 ton Mg/year can be used at one site (highest value based on 3 questionnaires)					
Frequency and duration of use/exposure					
Number of operating days: 230 (lowest value based on 3 questionnaires)					
Environment factors not influenced by risk management					
A default dilution factor of l	10 is taken into account for fresh	water			
Other given operational co	onditions affecting environmen	tal exposure			
Alloying happens indoor.					
Technical conditions and r	neasures at process level (sour	ce) to prevent release			
None					



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#### Technical onsite conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil

Different kinds of RMM to prevent releases to the environment are possible:

Water:

- Chemical precipitation
- Sedimentation
- Filtration
- Electrolysis (not common)

Air:

- Fabric or bag filters (most common)
- Wet scrubbers (second most common)
- Electrostatic precipitation (not common)
- Ceramic filters
- Dry or demi-dry scrubbers

Emission factors are based on the metal spERCs:

The metal spERC for Formulation of massive metal and metal powder v 1.1 has been used:

Release to water: 0.003 % Release to air: 0.007 %

#### Organizational measures to prevent/limit release from site

No specific organizational measures were considered

#### Conditions and measures related to municipal sewage treatment plant

A default municipal STP has been taken into account with a removal efficiency for Mg of 50% (REACH Guidance R.7.13-2, Section 2.2.1: Adjusting multimedia fate models for metals). If no municipal STP is available an on-site treatment with at least the same efficiency is required.

#### Conditions and measures related to external treatment of waste for disposal

Magnesium waste should be recycled as much as possible

Conditions and measures related to external recovery of waste

None

## 2.2 Contributing scenario (2) controlling worker exposure for the handling of magnesium metal massive

#### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of magnesium metal massive

#### Further specification

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a, 8b, 9, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25

#### **Product characteristic**

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of magnesium metal massive.

#### Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

## Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

#### Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

## Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

Please note that magnesium massive metal is not classified.



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#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).

#### Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used

#### Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.

#### Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

Standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and safety shoes are required for all processes for good occupational hygiene practice. Antistatic worker equipment including cotton overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists. Respiratory protective equipment is not required. Gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed. Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.

# 2.3 Contributing scenario (3) controlling worker exposure for the handling of low dusty magnesium metal powders

#### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of low dusty magnesium metal powders

#### Further specification

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26

#### Product characteristic

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of low dusty magnesium metal powders.

#### Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

#### Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

### Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).

## Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used.



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#### Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.

#### Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

Standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and safety shoes are required for all processes for good occupational hygiene practice. Antistatic worker equipment including cotton overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists. Respiratory protective equipment is not required. Gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed. Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.

# 2.4 Contributing scenario (4) controlling worker exposure for the handling of medium dusty magnesium metal powders

#### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of medium dusty magnesium metal powders

## **Further specification**

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 13, 14, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26

#### **Product characteristic**

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of medium dusty magnesium metal powders.

#### Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

#### Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

#### Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

## Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).

## Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used.

## ${\bf Organisation al\ measures\ to\ prevent\ / limit\ releases,\ dispersion\ and\ exposure}$

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.



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#### Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

Standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and safety shoes are required for all processes for good occupational hygiene practice. Respiratory protective equipment is only required if workers may be exposed to medium dusty magnesium metal powders during PROC 7. For such situations a mask offering an assigned protection factor of 4 (e.g. FFP1) is required. Gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed. Antistatic worker equipment including cotton overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists. Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.

# 2.5 Contributing scenario (5) controlling worker exposure for the handling of high dusty magnesium metal powders

#### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of high dusty magnesium metal powders

#### **Further specification**

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 13, 14, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26

#### **Product characteristic**

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of high dusty magnesium metal powders.

#### **Amounts used**

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

### Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

#### Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).

#### Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used.

#### Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.



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PROC	Specification of respiratory protective equipment (RPE)	RPE efficiency (assigned protection factor, APF)	Specification of gloves	Further personal protective equipment (PPE)
4, 8b, 9, 10, 14, 19, 26	FFP1 mask	APF=4		standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and
8a	FFP2 mask	APF=10		safety shoes
7	FFP3 mask	APF=20	.1	antistatic worker
1,2, 3, 13, 22, 23, 24, 25	not required	na	gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed	equipment including cottor overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists

Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.

## 3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source

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#### Occupational exposure

The exposure estimation tool MEASE was used for the assessment of inhalation exposure. The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the exposure estimate and the DNEL (derived no-effect level) and has to be below 1 to demonstrate a safe use. For inhalation exposure, the RCR is based on a DNEL for magnesium metal of 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Due to the negligible dermal absorption of magnesium metal and the non-existing dermal effects, the dermal route is not a relevant exposure path for magnesium metal and a dermal DNEL has not been derived. Thus, dermal exposure is not assessed in this exposure scenario.

The RCRs were calculated far below 1 for all relevant process categories and physical forms. Thus, a safe use is demonstrated for all relevant process categories.

#### **Environmental emissions**

Operational conditions	Value	Unit		
Environmental release factor to aquatic	30	g/T		Formulation of and metal powder
Environmental release factor to air	70	g/T		Formulation of and metal powder
Tonnage	4 000	T Mg		
Emission days	230	days		
Dilution factor	10			
Compartment			PNECadd	RCR
PECadd STP	0.13	mg/l	10.8	0.01
PEClocal, add in aquatic pelagic (freshwater)	12.9	μg/l	410	0.03
PEClocal, add in sediment (freshwater)	8.4	mg/kg dw	268	0.03
PEClocal, add in soil	6.2	mg/kg dw	268	0.02
PECadd,air (100 m)	213	ng/m <sup>3</sup>		

## 4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

### Occupational exposure

The DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES if either the proposed risk management measures as described above are met or the downstream user can demonstrate on his own that his operational conditions and implemented risk management measures are adequate. This has to be done by showing that they limit the inhalation exposure to a level below the DNEL (given that the processes and activities in question are covered by the PROCs listed above) as given below. If measured data are not available, the DU may make use of an appropriate scaling tool such as MEASE (<a href="www.ebrc.de/mease.html">www.ebrc.de/mease.html</a>) to estimate the associated exposure. The dustiness of the substance used can be determined according to the MEASE glossary.

DNEL<sub>inhalation</sub>: 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Further guidance on how to evaluate whether a DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES is provided in Section 1.1 "Generic exposure scenario



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approach" above.

#### **Environmental emissions**

If a DU has OC (operational conditions)/RMMs outside the OC/RMM specifications in the ES, then the DU can evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES through scaling.

The Metal EUSES calculator for DUs can be freely downloaded from http://www.arche-consulting.be/Metal-CSA-toolbox/du-scaling-tool. In the registrant-interface, the generic default OCs and RMMs can be entered.

In the simple and easy-to-use DU-interface, key OC and RMM can be changed according to the site-specific OC and RMMs of the DU. This includes general parameters as release factors, dilution, presence/absence of municipal sewage treatment plant, etc... It also allows the DU to enter bioavailability-corrected PNECs (Predicted No Effect Concentrations).

In the background, the full EUSES model is run to calculate exposure and risks. The resulting risk characterisation ratios allow the DU to assess safe use. In this way, the DU scaling tool enables the DU to check compliance with the ES if his OCs or RMMs differ from those in the ES.

#### Additional good practice advice (for environment) beyond the REACH CSA

Note: The measures reported in this section have not been taken into account in the exposure estimates related to the exposure scenario above. They are not subject to obligation laid down in Article 37 (4) of REACH, Thus, the downstream user is not obliged to i) carry out an own CSA and ii) to notify the use to the Agency, if he does not implement these measures.



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ES 4: Formulation of metal compounds – incl. production of fireworks (for Particulates production and handling & Fine particulates production)

Exposure Scenario Format (1) addressing uses carried out by workers		
1. Title		
Free short title	Formulation of metal compounds – incl. production of fireworks (for Particulates production and handling & Fine particulates production)	
Systematic title based on use descriptor	SU3, SU8, SU9, SU10, SU23 PC3, PC7, PC19 (appropriate PROCs and ERCs are given in Section 2 below)	
Processes, tasks and/or activities covered	Processes, tasks and/or activities covered are described in Section 2 below.	

## 2. Operational conditions and risk management measures

## 2.1 Contributing scenario (1) controlling environmental exposure

#### Name of contributing scenario

1. Environmental exposure during formulation of metal compounds

#### Further specification

ERCs covered in this scenario: ERC 2,3

Instead of using the default ERC2 and 3 values from the ECHA guidance, spERCs based upon measured data are used.

Following sectors are covered by the spERC for formulation of metal compounds:

- Formulation of magnesium containing mixtures
- Fireworks formulation
- Production of military pyrotechnics (torches and signal rockets)
- Cored wire formulation

#### **Product characteristic**

Magnesium is used in powder, granule or grain form

### **Amounts used**

Amounts up to 100 ton Mg/year can be used at one site (highest value based on 3 questionnaires)

## Frequency and duration of use/exposure

Number of operating days: 190 (lowest value based on 3 questionnaires)

## Environment factors not influenced by risk management

A default dilution factor of 10 is taken into account for freshwater

## Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure

Formulation happens indoor.

## Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

None



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#### Technical onsite conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil

Different kinds of RMM to prevent releases to the environment are possible:

#### Water

- Chemical precipitation
- Sedimentation
- Filtration
- Electrolysis (rare)

#### Air:

- Fabric or bag filters (most common)
- Wet scrubbers (most common)
- Electrostatic precipitation
- Ceramic filters
- Dry or demi-dry scrubbers

Emission factors are based on the metal spERCs:

The metal spERC for Formulation of metal compounds v 1.1 has been used:

Release to water: 0.5 % Release to air: 0.004 %

#### Organizational measures to prevent/limit release from site

No specific organizational measures were considered

#### Conditions and measures related to municipal sewage treatment plant

A default municipal STP has been taken into account with a removal efficiency for Mg of 50%. If no municipal STP is available an on-site treatment with at least the same efficiency is required (see 9.0.2.2).

#### Conditions and measures related to external treatment of waste for disposal

Magnesium waste should be recycled as much as possible

Conditions and measures related to external recovery of waste

None

# 2.2 Contributing scenario (2) controlling worker exposure for the handling of magnesium metal massive

### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of magnesium metal massive

#### **Further specification**

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a, 8b, 9, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25

#### **Product characteristic**

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of magnesium metal massive.

#### Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

## Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

#### Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

#### Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

Please note that magnesium massive metal is not classified.



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#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).

#### Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used.

#### Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.

## Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

Standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and safety shoes are required for all processes for good occupational hygiene practice. Antistatic worker equipment including cotton overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists. Respiratory protective equipment is not required. Gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed. Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.

# 2.3 Contributing scenario (3) controlling worker exposure for the handling of low dusty magnesium metal powders

#### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of low dusty magnesium metal powders

#### Further specification

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26

#### **Product characteristic**

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of low dusty magnesium metal powders.

#### Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

## Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

#### Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).



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#### Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used.

#### Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.

#### Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

Standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and safety shoes are required for all processes for good occupational hygiene practice. Antistatic worker equipment including cotton overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists. Respiratory protective equipment is not required. Gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed. Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.

# 2.4 Contributing scenario (4) controlling worker exposure for the handling of medium dusty magnesium metal powders

#### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of medium dusty magnesium metal powders

#### **Further specification**

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 13, 14, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26

#### Product characteristic

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of medium dusty magnesium metal powders.

#### Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

## Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

#### Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

## Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).

#### Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used.

## Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.



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#### Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

Standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and safety shoes are required for all processes for good occupational hygiene practice. Respiratory protective equipment is only required if workers may be exposed to medium dusty magnesium metal powders during PROC 7. For such situations a mask offering an assigned protection factor of 4 (e.g. FFP1) is required. Gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed. Antistatic worker equipment including cotton overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists. Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.

## 2.5 Contributing scenario (5) controlling worker exposure for the handling of high dusty magnesium metal powders

#### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of high dusty magnesium metal powders

#### **Further specification**

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 13, 14, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26

#### **Product characteristic**

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of high dusty magnesium metal powders.

#### Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

#### Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

#### Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).

## Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used.

#### Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.



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PROC	Specification of respiratory protective equipment (RPE)	RPE efficiency (assigned protection factor, APF)	Specification of gloves	Further personal protective equipment (PPE)
4, 8b, 9, 10, 14, 19, 26	FFP1 mask	APF=4		standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and
8a	FFP2 mask	APF=10		safety shoes
7	FFP3 mask	APF=20		antistatic worker
1,2, 3, 13, 22, 23, 24, 25	not required	na	gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed	equipment including cotton overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists

Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.

## 3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source

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#### Occupational exposure

The exposure estimation tool MEASE was used for the assessment of inhalation exposure. The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the exposure estimate and the DNEL (derived no-effect level) and has to be below 1 to demonstrate a safe use. For inhalation exposure, the RCR is based on a DNEL for magnesium metal of 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Due to the negligible dermal absorption of magnesium metal and the non-existing dermal effects, the dermal route is not a relevant exposure path for magnesium metal and a dermal DNEL has not been derived. Thus, dermal exposure is not assessed in this exposure scenario.

The RCRs were calculated far below 1 for all relevant process categories and physical forms. Thus, a safe use is demonstrated for all relevant process categories.

## **Environmental emissions**

Operational conditions	Value	Unit		
Environmental release factor to aquatic	5 000	g/T	Metal spERC: I compounds	Formulation of metal
Environmental release factor to air	40	g/T	Metal spERC: I compounds	Formulation of metal
Tonnage	100	T Mg		
Emission days	190	days		
Dilution factor	10			
Compartment			PNECadd	RCR
PECadd STP	0.66	mg/l	10.8	0.06
PEClocal, add in aquatic pelagic (freshwater)	65.2	μg/l	410	0.16
PEClocal,add in sediment (freshwater)	42.3	mg/kg dw	268	0.16
PEClocal,add in soil	30.8	mg/kg dw	268	0.12
PECadd,air (100 m)	3.0	ng/m³		



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## 4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

#### Occupational exposure

The DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES if either the proposed risk management measures as described above are met or the downstream user can demonstrate on his own that his operational conditions and implemented risk management measures are adequate. This has to be done by showing that they limit the inhalation exposure to a level below the DNEL (given that the processes and activities in question are covered by the PROCs listed above) as given below. If measured data are not available, the DU may make use of an appropriate scaling tool such as MEASE (<a href="www.ebrc.de/mease.html">www.ebrc.de/mease.html</a>) to estimate the associated exposure. The dustiness of the substance used can be determined according to the MEASE glossary.

DNEL<sub>inhalation</sub>: 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Further guidance on how to evaluate whether a DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES is provided in Section 1.1 "Generic exposure scenario approach" above.

#### **Environmental emissions**

If a DU has OC (operational conditions)/RMMs outside the OC/RMM specifications in the ES, then the DU can evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES through scaling.

The Metal EUSES calculator for DUs can be freely downloaded from http://www.arche-consulting.be/Metal-CSA-toolbox/du-scaling-tool. In the registrant-interface, the generic default OCs and RMMs can be entered.

In the simple and easy-to-use DU-interface, key OC and RMM can be changed according to the site-specific OC and RMMs of the DU. This includes general parameters as release factors, dilution, presence/absence of municipal sewage treatment plant, etc... It also allows the DU to enter bioavailability-corrected PNECs (Predicted No Effect Concentrations).

In the background, the full EUSES model is run to calculate exposure and risks. The resulting risk characterisation ratios allow the DU to assess safe use. In this way, the DU scaling tool enables the DU to check compliance with the ES if his OCs or RMMs differ from those in the ES.

#### Additional good practice advice (for environment) beyond the REACH CSA

Note: The measures reported in this section have not been taken into account in the exposure estimates related to the exposure scenario above. They are not subject to obligation laid down in Article 37 (4) of REACH, Thus, the downstream user is not obliged to i) carry out an own CSA and ii) to notify the use to the Agency, if he does not implement these measures.



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ES 5: Use of massive metal (for Solid forming processes – incl. production of welding electrodes &

Exposure Section Format (1) addressing uses earried out by workers		
1. Title		
Free short title	Use of massive metal	
Systematic title based on use descriptor	SU3, SU8, SU9, SU10, SU14, SU15, SU16, SU17, SU23 PC3, PC7, PC14, PC19, PC0 (pyrotechnic composition) AC1, AC2, AC3, AC7 (appropriate PROCs and ERCs are given in Section 2 below)	
Processes, tasks and/or activities covered	Processes, tasks and/or activities covered are described in Section 2 below.	

## 2. Operational conditions and risk management measures

## 2.1 Contributing scenario (1) controlling environmental exposure

#### Name of contributing scenario

1. Environmental exposure during use of massive metal in shaping

#### **Further specification**

ERCs covered in this scenario: ERC 12a

Instead of using the default ERC12a values from the ECHA guidance, spERCs based upon measured data are used.

Following sectors are covered by the spERC for use of massive metal in shaping:

- Metal processing industry (extrusion, forging, wrought rolling, maching of semi-finished products)
- Particulates production
- Welding of Mg parts

#### **Product characteristic**

Magnesium is used in massive form

#### Amounts used

Amounts up to 6 000 ton Mg/year can be used at one site (highest value based on 2 questionnaires)

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

Number of operating days: 250 (lowest value based on 2 questionnaires)

#### Environment factors not influenced by risk management

A default dilution factor of 10 is taken into account for freshwater

### Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure

Use/shaping happens indoor.

#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

#### Technical onsite conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil

Different kinds of RMM to prevent releases to the environment are possible:

- Chemical precipitation (most common)
- Sedimentation
- Filtration
- Electrolysis (rare) Air:

- Fabric or bag filters
- Wet scrubbers
- Electrostatic precipitation
- Ceramic filters
- Dry or demi-dry scrubbers

Emission factors are based on the metal spERCs:

The metal spERC for Use of massive metal v 1.2 has been used:

Release to water: 0.01 %

Release to air: 0.02 %



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## Organizational measures to prevent/limit release from site

No specific organizational measures were considered

#### Conditions and measures related to municipal sewage treatment plant

A default municipal STP has been taken into account with a removal efficiency for Mg of 50% (REACH Guidance R.7.13-2, Section 2.2.1: Adjusting multimedia fate models for metals). If no municipal STP is available an on-site treatment with at least the same efficiency is required

#### Conditions and measures related to external treatment of waste for disposal

Magnesium waste should be recycled as much as possible

Conditions and measures related to external recovery of waste

None

## 2.2 Contributing scenario (2) controlling worker exposure for the handling of magnesium metal massive

#### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of magnesium metal massive

#### **Further specification**

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a, 8b, 9, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25

#### Product characteristic

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of magnesium metal massive.

#### Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

## Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

## Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

Please note that magnesium massive metal is not classified.

## Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).

## Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used.

## Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.



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#### Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

Standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and safety shoes are required for all processes for good occupational hygiene practice. Antistatic worker equipment including cotton overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists. Respiratory protective equipment is not required. Gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed. Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.

## 3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source

#### Occupational exposure

The exposure estimation tool MEASE was used for the assessment of inhalation exposure. The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the exposure estimate and the DNEL (derived no-effect level) and has to be below 1 to demonstrate a safe use. For inhalation exposure, the RCR is based on a DNEL for magnesium metal of 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Due to the negligible dermal absorption of magnesium metal and the non-existing dermal effects, the dermal route is not a relevant exposure path for magnesium metal and a dermal DNEL has not been derived. Thus, dermal exposure is not assessed in this exposure scenario.

The RCRs were calculated far below 1 for all relevant process categories and physical forms. Thus, a safe use is demonstrated for all relevant process categories.

#### **Environmental emissions**

Operational conditions	Value	Unit		
Environmental release factor to aquatic	100	g/T	Metal spERC:	Use of massive metal
Environmental release factor to air	200	g/T	Metal spERC:	Use of massive metal
Tonnage	6 000	T Mg		
Emission days	250	days		
Dilution factor	10			
Compartment			PNECadd	RCR
PECadd STP	0.60	mg/l	10.8	0.06
PEClocal, add in aquatic pelagic (freshwater)	59.4	μg/l	410	0.14
PEClocal, add in sediment (freshwater)	38.6	mg/kg dw	268	0.14
PEClocal,add in soil	28.5	mg/kg dw	268	0.11
PECadd,air (100 m)	914	ng/m <sup>3</sup>		

## 4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

## Occupational exposure

The DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES if either the proposed risk management measures as described above are met or the downstream user can demonstrate on his own that his operational conditions and implemented risk management measures are adequate. This has to be done by showing that they limit the inhalation exposure to a level below the DNEL (given that the processes and activities in question are covered by the PROCs listed above) as given below. If measured data are not available, the DU may make use of an appropriate scaling tool such as MEASE (<a href="www.ebrc.de/mease.html">www.ebrc.de/mease.html</a>) to estimate the associated exposure. The dustiness of the substance used can be determined according to the MEASE glossary.

DNEL<sub>inhalation</sub>: 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Further guidance on how to evaluate whether a DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES is provided in Section 1.1 "Generic exposure scenario approach" above.

## **Environmental emissions**

If a DU has OC (operational conditions)/RMMs outside the OC/RMM specifications in the ES, then the DU can evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES through scaling.

The Metal EUSES calculator for DUs can be freely downloaded from http://www.arche-consulting.be/Metal-CSA-toolbox/du-scaling-tool. In the registrant-interface, the generic default OCs and RMMs can be entered.

In the simple and easy-to-use DU-interface, key OC and RMM can be changed according to the site-specific OC and RMMs of the DU. This includes general parameters as release factors, dilution, presence/absence of municipal sewage treatment plant, etc... It also allows the DU to enter bioavailability-corrected PNECs (Predicted No Effect Concentrations).

In the background, the full EUSES model is run to calculate exposure and risks. The resulting risk characterisation ratios allow the DU to assess safe use. In this way, the DU scaling tool enables the DU to check compliance with the ES if his OCs or RMMs differ from those in the ES.



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## Additional good practice advice (for environment) beyond the REACH CSA

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Note: The measures reported in this section have not been taken into account in the exposure estimates related to the exposure scenario above. They are not subject to obligation laid down in Article 37 (4) of REACH, Thus, the downstream user is not obliged to i) carry out an own CSA and ii) to notify the use to the Agency, if he does not implement these measures.



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ES 6: Industrial use of metal compounds

Exposure Scenario Format (1) addressing uses carried out by workers			
1. Title			
Free short title	Industrial use of metal compounds		
	SU3, SU8, SU9, SU10, SU14, SU15, SU16, SU17, SU23		
Systematic title based on	PC3, PC7, PC14, PC19, PC0 (pyrotechnic composition)		
use descriptor	AC1, AC2, AC3, AC7		
	(appropriate PROCs and ERCs are given in Section 2 below)		
Processes, tasks and/or	Processes trade and/or activities account are described in Section 2 below.		
activities covered	Processes, tasks and/or activities covered are described in Section 2 below.		

## 2. Operational conditions and risk management measures

## 2.1 Contributing scenario (1) controlling environmental exposure

#### Name of contributing scenario

1. Environmental exposure during industrial use of metal compounds

#### **Further specification**

ERCs covered in this scenario: 4-7

Instead of using the default ERC 4, 5, 6 and 6 values from the ECHA guidance, spERCs based upon measured data are used.

- Following sectors are covered by the spERC for industrial use of metal compounds:
   Metallurgical industry (steel desulphurization, cast iron, metal reduction/deoxidation, debismuthising of Pb)
- Use in hydrogen storage tanks

#### **Product characteristic**

Magnesium is used in powder, granule or grain form

#### **Amounts used**

Amounts up to 1 200 ton Mg/year can be used at one site

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

Number of operating days: 350 (value based on 1 questionnaire)

### Environment factors not influenced by risk management

A specific dilution factor of 20 is needed for freshwater to obtain a high enough dilution.

### Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure

Use happens indoor.

## Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

None

#### Technical onsite conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil

Different kinds of RMM to prevent releases to the environment are possible:

#### Water:

- Chemical precipitation
- Sedimentation
- Filtration
- Electrolysis

Air:

- Fabric or bag filters (most common)
- Wet scrubbers
- Electrostatic precipitation
- Ceramic filters
- Dry or demi-dry scrubbers

Emission factors are based on the metal spERCs:

The metal spERC for industrial use of metal compounds v 1.1 has been used:

Release to water: 0.6 %

Release to air: 0.1 %

## Organizational measures to prevent/limit release from site

No specific organizational measures were considered.



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#### Conditions and measures related to municipal sewage treatment plant

A default municipal STP has been taken into account with a removal efficiency for Mg of 50% (REACH Guidance R.7.13-2, Section 2.2.1: Adjusting multimedia fate models for metals). If no municipal STP is available an on-site treatment with at least the same efficiency is required.

#### Conditions and measures related to external treatment of waste for disposal

Magnesium waste should be recycled as much as possible

Conditions and measures related to external recovery of waste

None

## 2.2 Contributing scenario (2) controlling worker exposure for the handling of magnesium metal massive

#### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of magnesium metal massive

#### Further specification

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a, 8b, 9, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25

#### **Product characteristic**

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of magnesium metal massive.

#### Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

#### Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

#### Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

Please note that magnesium massive metal is not classified.

#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).

#### Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used.

#### Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.



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#### Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

Standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and safety shoes are required for all processes for good occupational hygiene practice. Antistatic worker equipment including cotton overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists. Respiratory protective equipment is not required. Gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed. Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.

## 2.3 Contributing scenario (3) controlling worker exposure for the handling of low dusty magnesium metal powders

#### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of low dusty magnesium metal powders

#### **Further specification**

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26

#### Product characteristic

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of low dusty magnesium metal powders.

#### Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

#### Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

#### Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).

#### Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used.

#### Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.

#### Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

Standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and safety shoes are required for all processes for good occupational hygiene practice. Antistatic worker equipment including cotton overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists. Respiratory protective equipment is not required. Gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed. Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.



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## 2.4 Contributing scenario (4) controlling worker exposure for the handling of medium dusty magnesium metal powders

#### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of medium dusty magnesium metal powders

#### **Further specification**

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 13, 14, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26

#### Product characteristic

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of medium dusty magnesium metal powders.

#### Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

#### Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

#### Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).

#### Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used.

#### Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.

#### Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

Standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and safety shoes are required for all processes for good occupational hygiene practice. Respiratory protective equipment is only required if workers may be exposed to medium dusty magnesium metal powders during PROC 7. For such situations a mask offering an assigned protection factor of 4 (e.g. FFP1) is required. Gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed. Antistatic worker equipment including cotton overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists. Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.

## 2.5 Contributing scenario (5) controlling worker exposure for the handling of high dusty magnesium metal powders

#### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of high dusty magnesium metal powders

#### Further specification

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8a, 8b, 9, 10, 13, 14, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26



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#### Product characteristic

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of high dusty magnesium metal powders

#### **Amounts used**

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

#### Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

#### Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).

#### Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used.

#### Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.

#### Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

PROC	Specification of respiratory protective equipment (RPE)	RPE efficiency (assigned protection factor, APF)	Specification of gloves	Further personal protective equipment (PPE)
4, 8b, 9, 10, 14, 19, 26	FFP1 mask	APF=4		standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and
8a	FFP2 mask	APF=10	gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed	safety shoes
7	FFP3 mask	APF=20		antistatic worker
1,2, 3, 13, 22, 23, 24, 25	not required	na		equipment including cotton overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists

Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.



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#### 3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source

#### Occupational exposure

The exposure estimation tool MEASE was used for the assessment of inhalation exposure. The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the exposure estimate and the DNEL (derived no-effect level) and has to be below 1 to demonstrate a safe use. For inhalation exposure, the RCR is based on a DNEL for magnesium metal of 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Due to the negligible dermal absorption of magnesium metal and the non-existing dermal effects, the dermal route is not a relevant exposure path for magnesium metal and a dermal DNEL has not been derived. Thus, dermal exposure is not assessed in this exposure scenario.

The RCRs were calculated far below 1 for all relevant process categories and physical forms. Thus, a safe use is demonstrated for all relevant process categories.

#### **Environmental emissions**

Operational conditions	Value	Unit		
Environmental release factor to aquatic	6 000	g/T	Metal spERC: I compounds	Industrial use of metal
Environmental release factor to air	1 000	g/T	Metal spERC: I compounds	Industrial use of metal
Tonnage	1 200	T Mg		
Emission days	350	days		
Dilution factor	20			
Compartment			PNECadd	RCR
PECadd STP	5.14	mg/l	10.8	0.48
PEClocal, add in aquatic pelagic (freshwater)	254.6	μg/l	410	0.62
PEClocal, add in sediment (freshwater)	165.3	mg/kg dw	268	0.62
PEClocal,add in soil	241.5	mg/kg dw	268	0.90
PECadd,air (100 m)	914	ng/m <sup>3</sup>		

#### 4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

#### Occupational exposure

The DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES if either the proposed risk management measures as described above are met or the downstream user can demonstrate on his own that his operational conditions and implemented risk management measures are adequate. This has to be done by showing that they limit the inhalation exposure to a level below the DNEL (given that the processes and activities in question are covered by the PROCs listed above) as given below. If measured data are not available, the DU may make use of an appropriate scaling tool such as MEASE (<a href="www.ebrc.de/mease.html">www.ebrc.de/mease.html</a>) to estimate the associated exposure. The dustiness of the substance used can be determined according to the MEASE glossary.

DNEL<sub>inhalation</sub>: 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Further guidance on how to evaluate whether a DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES is provided in Section 1.1 "Generic exposure scenario approach" above.

#### **Environmental emissions**

If a DU has OC (operational conditions)/RMMs outside the OC/RMM specifications in the ES, then the DU can evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES through scaling.

The Metal EUSES calculator for DUs can be freely downloaded from http://www.arche-consulting.be/Metal-CSA-toolbox/du-scaling-tool. In the registrant-interface, the generic default OCs and RMMs can be entered.

In the simple and easy-to-use DU-interface, key OC and RMM can be changed according to the site-specific OC and RMMs of the DU. This includes general parameters as release factors, dilution, presence/absence of municipal sewage treatment plant, etc... It also allows the DU to enter bioavailability-corrected PNECs (Predicted No Effect Concentrations).

In the background, the full EUSES model is run to calculate exposure and risks. The resulting risk characterisation ratios allow the DU to assess safe use. In this way, the DU scaling tool enables the DU to check compliance with the ES if his OCs or RMMs differ from those in the ES.

#### Additional good practice advice (for environment) beyond the REACH CSA

Note: The measures reported in this section have not been taken into account in the exposure estimates related to the exposure scenario above. They are not subject to obligation laid down in Article 37 (4) of REACH, Thus, the downstream user is not obliged to i) carry out an own CSA and ii) to notify the use to the Agency, if he does not implement these measures.



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## MAGNESIUM POWDERS AND RASPINGS

ES 7: Etching of magnesium dies

Exposure Scenario Format (1) addressing uses carried out by workers					
1. Title					
Free short title	Etching of magnesium dies				
Systematic title based on use descriptor	SU3, SU8, SU9, SU10, SU14, SU15, SU16, SU17, SU23 PC3, PC7, PC14, PC19, PC0 (pyrotechnic composition) AC1, AC2, AC3, AC7 (appropriate PROCs and ERCs are given in Section 2 below)				
Processes, tasks and/or activities covered	Processes, tasks and/or activities covered are described in Section 2 below.				

#### 2. Operational conditions and risk management measures

#### 2.1 Contributing scenario (1) controlling environmental exposure

#### Name of contributing scenario

1. Environmental exposure during etching of magnesium dies

#### **Further specification**

ERCs covered in this scenario: ERC 12b

Instead of using the default ERC12b values from the ECHA guidance, measured data are used.

Following sector is covered by sector specific data:

- Etching of magnesium dies

#### **Product characteristic**

Magnesium is used in massive form and etched away

#### Amounts used

Amounts used not relevant for this scenario but approximate 400 ton/year (value based on 1 questionnaire)

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

Release is mostly intermittent but can also happen continuously

#### Environment factors not influenced by risk management

A default dilution factor of 10 is taken into account for freshwater

#### Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure

Use happens in batches, batches are discharged between 1 time per month to 2 times per day.

#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

None

#### Technical onsite conditions and measures to reduce or limit discharges, air emissions and releases to soil

Different kinds of RMM to prevent releases to the environment are possible:

Water

- Chemical precipitation
- Sedimentation
- Filtration
- Electrolysis (rare)

Air:

Not relevant, no releases to air.

Emissions are not expressed in emission factors. A batch is discharged once it contains too much magnesium, usually around 5kg per 1201 bath. Those baths are diluted with washing water or water from other processes before being discharged to a water treatment plant. Worst case would assume discharging batches twice a day so 10 kg Mg release per day.

#### Organizational measures to prevent/limit release from site

No specific organizational measures were considered.

#### Conditions and measures related to municipal sewage treatment plant

A default municipal STP has been taken into account with a removal efficiency for Mg of 50% (REACH Guidance R.7.13-2, Section 2.2.1: Adjusting multimedia fate models for metals). If no municipal STP is available an on-site treatment with at least the same efficiency is required



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#### Conditions and measures related to external treatment of waste for disposal

Magnesium waste should be recycled as much as possible

Conditions and measures related to external recovery of waste

None

## 2.2 Contributing scenario (2) controlling worker exposure for the handling of magnesium metal massive

#### Name of contributing scenario

Manufacture and industrial uses of magnesium metal massive

#### **Further specification**

PROCs covered in this scenario: PROCs 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a, 8b, 9, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25

#### Product characteristic

This contributing scenario applies to all industrial uses of magnesium metal massive.

#### Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario.

#### Frequency and duration of use/exposure

The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.

#### Human factors not influenced by risk management

The safe use of the substance has been demonstrated by assuming a standard breathing volume of 10 m³/shift for workers. If doubts exist that the actual breathing volume exceeds this value on a regular basis, a refined exposure scenario may be required.

#### Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Operational conditions like process temperature and process pressure have been considered on a worst case basis for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes and a safe use was demonstrated under these conditions.

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electrostatic discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

Please note that magnesium massive metal is not classified.

#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Risk management measures at the process level (e.g. containment or segregation of the emission source) are not required in the applicable processes unless such requirements are inherently required by the selected process category (e.g. closed process for PROC 1-3).

#### Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker

Further localised controls are not required for the conducted processes. The risk of dust explosion shall be considered if a local exhaust ventilation is used.

#### Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.



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#### Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

Standard working clothes (overall long sleeve) and safety shoes are required for all processes for good occupational hygiene practice. Antistatic worker equipment including cotton overalls, antistatic safety shoes and gloves are required for workplaces where the risk of powder ignition/ dust explosion exists. Respiratory protective equipment is not required. Gloves are optional for mechanical/heat protection where needed. Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.

#### 3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source

#### Occupational exposure

The exposure estimation tool MEASE was used for the assessment of inhalation exposure. The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the exposure estimate and the DNEL (derived no-effect level) and has to be below 1 to demonstrate a safe use. For inhalation exposure, the RCR is based on a DNEL for magnesium metal of 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Due to the negligible dermal absorption of magnesium metal and the non-existing dermal effects, the dermal route is not a relevant exposure path for magnesium metal and a dermal DNEL has not been derived. Thus, dermal exposure is not assessed in this exposure scenario.

The RCRs were calculated far below 1 for all relevant process categories and physical forms. Thus, a safe use is demonstrated for all relevant process categories.

#### **Environmental emissions**

Operational conditions	Value	Unit		
Environmental release factor to aquatic	10	kg/d	Value based or	n questionnaires
Environmental release factor to air	Not relevant			
Tonnage	Batch discharged 1/month till 2/day			
Dilution factor	10			
Compartment			PNECadd	RCR
PECadd STP	2.50	mg/l	10.8	0.23
PEClocal, add in aquatic pelagic (freshwater)	247.6	μg/l	410	0.60
PEClocal, add in sediment (freshwater)	160.7	mg/kg dw	268	0.60
PEClocal, add in soil	117.2	mg/kg dw	268	0.44
PECadd,air (100 m)	No emission to air			

#### 4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

#### Occupational exposure

The DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES if either the proposed risk management measures as described above are met or the downstream user can demonstrate on his own that his operational conditions and implemented risk management measures are adequate. This has to be done by showing that they limit the inhalation exposure to a level below the DNEL (given that the processes and activities in question are covered by the PROCs listed above) as given below. If measured data are not available, the DU may make use of an appropriate scaling tool such as MEASE (<a href="www.ebrc.de/mease.html">www.ebrc.de/mease.html</a>) to estimate the associated exposure. The dustiness of the substance used can be determined according to the MEASE glossary.

DNEL<sub>inhalation</sub>: 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Further guidance on how to evaluate whether a DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES is provided in Section 1.1 "Generic exposure scenario approach" above.

#### **Environmental emissions**

If a DU has OC (operational conditions)/RMMs outside the OC/RMM specifications in the ES, then the DU can evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES through scaling.

The Metal EUSES calculator for DUs can be freely downloaded from http://www.arche-consulting.be/Metal-CSA-toolbox/du-scaling-tool.

In the registrant-interface, the generic default OCs and RMMs can be entered.

In the simple and easy-to-use DU-interface, key OC and RMM can be changed according to the site-specific OC and RMMs of the DU. This includes general parameters as release factors, dilution, presence/absence of municipal sewage treatment plant, etc... It also allows the DU to enter bioavailability-corrected PNECs (Predicted No Effect Concentrations).

In the background, the full EUSES model is run to calculate exposure and risks. The resulting risk characterisation ratios allow the DU to assess safe use. In this way, the DU scaling tool enables the DU to check compliance with the ES if his OCs or RMMs differ from those in the ES.



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Additional good practice advice (for environment) beyond the REACH CSA

Note: The measures reported in this section have not been taken into account in the exposure estimates related to the exposure scenario above. They are not subject to obligation laid down in Article 37 (4) of REACH, Thus, the downstream user is not obliged to i) carry out an own CSA and ii) to notify the use to the Agency, if he does not implement these measures.



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	Exposure Scenario Format (1) addressing uses carried out by workers					
1. Title	•					
Free short title	Welding in industrial and/or professional settings (environmental and occupational exposure)					
Systematic title based on use descriptor	SU3 (Industrial uses), SU22 (Professional uses) PC7, PC14, PC38 AC1, AC2, AC7 (appropriate PROCs and ERCs are given in Section 2 below)					
Processes, tasks and/or activities covered	Processe	es, tasks and/or activities covered are de	escribed in Section 2	2 below.		
Assessment Method	The hazard potential associated with welding processes is driven by the diversity of exposures to different contaminants which may either be contained in the welding objects or in the welding consumables. In addition, these contaminants may be released as gas or coarse or fine dust particles depending on the specific welding process and materials used. This exposure scenario therefore aims at providing information on the risk management measures to be implemented to ensure safe welding instead of just focussing the safe handling of magnesium. A detailed catalogue of the required risk management measures depending on the welding process and materials used have been published by Eurometaux, Eurofer and the European Welding Association (2010). This exposure scenario makes use of this document as far as possible but reference is given to the original document for additional information. The exposure assessment itself has been made on an exemplary basis on worst case assumptions using the exposure modelling tool MEASE.					
2. Operational co	nditions and risk manag	ement measures				
Task	Involved tasks	Involved PROCs		ER	Cs	
Welding in industrial and/or professional settings	handling of electrodes and metal objects, welding	21, 25		8c,	8f	
2.1 Control of wo	rkers exposure					
Product characteristic						
During welding in industria	al and/or professional settings, magnesic	um is in a molten/gaseous form with a	high emission poten	tial.		
Amounts used						
The actual tonnage handled	per shift is not considered to influence	the exposure as such for this scenario.				
Frequency and duration of	Frequency and duration of use/exposure					
The exposure duration is no	The exposure duration is not restricted for all applicable processes in this scenario.					
Human factors not influe	nced by risk management					
	ce has been demonstrated by assuming on a regular basis, a refined exposure so		shift for workers. If	doubts exi	st that the actua	al breathing
Other given operational c	Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure					
Not considered relevant for	Not considered relevant for occupational exposure assessment of the conducted processes.					
Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release						
To be selected according to the EUROMETAUX / EUROFER / EWA catalogue of risk management measures (see below for an abbreviated version of this catalogue)						measures
Technical conditions and measures to control dispersion from source towards the worker						
To be selected according to the EUROMETAUX / EUROFER / EWA catalogue of risk management measures (see below for an abbreviated version of this catalogue)						
Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure						
Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking in the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.						



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Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

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Standard working clothes (long-sleeve overall) and safety shoes are required for all processes for good occupational hygiene practice. Gloves are optional for process steps at ambient temperature, thermal protective gloves should be used for hot processes. Respiratory protective equipment has o be selected according to the EUROMETAUX / EUROFER / EWA catalogue of risk management measures (see below for an abbreviated version of this catalogue). Reference is given to the section "Selection of appropriate respiratory equipment" and BS EN 529:2005 for a more detailed description of the requirements of personal protective equipment.



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Class	Process	Base materials	Remarks	Ventilation /	RPE	RPE
	(according to ISO 4063)		ned space (no segregation	Extraction / Filtration	DC<15%	DC>15%
	GTAW 141		neu space (no segregani	on, separation)		
	SAW 12	i i				
	Autogenous 3	1			i i	n.a.
	PAW 15	1			l i	
I	ESW / EGW 72/73	All	Except Al	GV low	n.a.	
	Resistance 2	]				
	Stud welding 78	1				
	Solid state 521					
**	Gases brazing 9		Except Cd-alloys	C** **		FFRA
II	GTAW 141	Al	n.a.	GV medium	n.a.	FFP2
	MMAW 111		Except stainless, Be-, V-, Mn- and Ni-alloys			
	FCAW 136/137		Except stainless and Ni-alloys	GV low	Improved	FFP2
III	GMAW 131/135	All	Except Cu, Be- and V-alloys	LEV low	helmet	
	Powder plasma arc 152		Except stainless, Be-, V-, Cu-, Mn- and Ni- alloys			
	All processes class I	Painted / primed /	No Pb containing	GV low GV low LEV low		FFP3
IV	All processes class II	oiled	primer		FFP2	TH2/P2 LDH2
	MMAW 111	Stainless, Ni-, Be- and V-alloys				
v	FCAW 136/137	Stainless, Mn- and Ni-alloys	n.a.	LEV high	TH3/P3 LDH3	TH3/P3 LDH3
	GMAW 131	Cu-alloys				
	Powder plasma arc 152	Stainless, Mn, Ni- and Cu-alloys				
	GMAW 131			Reduce (negative)	TH3/P3	TH3/P3
VI	Powder plasma arc 152	Be- and V-alloys	n.a.	pressure area LEV low	LDH3	LDH3
	Self shielded FCAW 114	Un- and high alloyed	Cored wire, not containing Ba	Reduce (negative) pressure area LEV medium		
	Sen sineucu rCAW 114	f shielded FCAW 114 steel Co	Cored wire, containing Ba	LEV medium	TH3/P3	TH3/P3
VII	All	Painted / primed	Paint / primer containing Pb	Reduce (negative) pressure area	LDH3	LDH3
	Arc gouging and cutting Thermal spray	All	n.a.	LEV high		
	Gases brazing	Cd-alloys			<u> </u>	
			losed system or confine	d space		
I	Laser welding 52 Laser cutting 84 Electron beam 51	All	Closed system	GV medium	n.a.	n.a.
VIII	All	All	Confined space	LEV high External air supply	LDH3	LDH3



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#### Glossary

<u>Class</u>: approximate ranking to mitigate risk by selecting process/material combinations with the lowest value. Identified collective and individual risk management measures shall be applied

DC: Duty cycle expressed on 8 hours

General Ventilation (GV) Low: With additional Local Exhaust Ventilation (LEV) and extracted air to the outside, the GV or LEV capacity may be reduced to 1/5 of the original requirement.

General Ventilation (GV) Medium: double compared to Low

Reduced (negative) pressured Area: A separate, ventilated area where reduced (negative) pressure, compared to the surrounded area, is maintained

Local Exhaust Ventilation (LEV) High, extraction at source (includes table, hood, arm or torch extraction)

Local Exhaust Ventilation (LEV) Low, extraction at source (includes table, hood, arm or torch extraction)

<u>Local Exhaust Ventilation (LEV) Medium</u>, extraction at source (includes table, hood, arm or torch extraction)

A confined space, despite its name, is not necessarily small. Examples of confined spaces include ship, silos, utility vaults, tanks, etc.

Improved helmet, designed to avoid direct flow of welding fumes inside

Reference is given to the original document available at for more information:

 $\underline{http://www.eurofer.be/index.php/eng/REACH/Documents-and-useful-web-links/Welding}$ 

#### 2.2 Control of environmental exposure

#### Product characteristics

Not relevant for exposure estimation.

#### Amounts used

Total amounts used are not relevant since the assessment is done based on concentrations in STPs.

#### Frequency and duration of use

Usually continuous use/release: 365 days/year (wide dispersive use)

#### Environment factors not influenced by risk management

Flow rate of receiving surface should be sufficiently high to dilute the effluent concentration of the STP below the PNEC for water and sediment.

#### Other given operational conditions affecting environmental exposure

Indoor or outdoor use is possible

There are no intended releases of magnesium to water. The non-intended releases are negligible and pose no threat to the environment.

#### Conditions and measures related to municipal sewage treatment plant

Presence of a municipal sewage treatment plant is assumed.

#### Conditions and measures related to external treatment of waste for disposal

Waste discharged on own internal or external waste dumps

Conditions and measures related to external recovery of waste

Not relevant

#### 3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source

#### Occupational exposure

The exposure estimation tool MEASE was used for the assessment of inhalation exposure. The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the exposure estimate and the DNEL (derived no-effect level) and has to be below 1 to demonstrate a safe use. For inhalation exposure, the RCR is based on a DNEL for magnesium metal of 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Due to the negligible dermal absorption of metallic magnesium, the dermal route is not a relevant exposure path for metallic magnesium and a DNEL for dermal effects has not been derived. Thus, dermal exposure is not assessed in this exposure scenario.

The RCRs were calculated far below 1 for all relevant processes. Thus, a safe use is demonstrated for all relevant processes.

#### **Environmental emissions**

There are no intended releases of magnesium to water due to the professional use of magnesium coated welding electrodes. The non-intended releases are negligible and pose no threat to the environment.

#### 4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

#### Occupational exposure

The DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES if either the proposed risk management measures as described above are met or the downstream user can demonstrate on his own that his operational conditions and implemented risk management measures are adequate. This has to be done by showing that they limit the inhalation exposure to a level below the DNEL (given that the processes and activities in question are covered by the PROCs listed above) as given below. If measured data are not available, the DU may make use of an appropriate scaling tool such as MEASE (<a href="www.ebrc.de/mease.html">www.ebrc.de/mease.html</a>) to estimate the associated exposure. The dustiness of the substance used can be determined according to the MEASE glossary.

DNELinhalation: 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>



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Further guidance on how to evaluate whether a DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES is provided in Section 1.1 "Generic exposure scenario approach" above.

#### **Environmental emissions**

There are no intended releases of magnesium to water due to the professional use of magnesium coated welding electrodes. The non-intended releases are negligible and pose no threat to the environment.



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ES 9: Professional use of magnesium powder in signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling and simulation ammunition and illumination

Exposure Scenario Forma	Exposure Scenario Format (1) addressing uses carried out by workers				
1. Title	1. Title				
Free short title	Professional use of magnesium powder in signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling and simulation ammunition and illumination				
Systematic title based on	SU22 (Professional uses)				
use descriptor	(appropriate PROCs and ERCs are given in section 2 below)				
Processes, tasks and/or activities covered	Processes, tasks and/or activities covered are described in Section 2 below.				
Assessment Method	The assessment of inhalation and dermal exposure is based on the exposure estimation tool MEASE.  The environmental assessment method is given in Section 2 below.				
2. Operational conditions and risk management measures					

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Task	Involved tasks	Involved PROCs	Involved ERCs
Handling of signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling and simulation ammunition and illumination	handling of signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling and simulation ammunition and illumination	21	
Use of signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling and simulation ammunition and illumination	use of signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling and simulation ammunition and illumination, launching/impaction (It is explicitly noted, that any containing magnesium is completely transformed into magnesium oxide during burning/impaction.  Exposure to magnesium is therefore excluded.)	0	8e

#### 2.1 Control of workers exposure

#### **Product characteristics**

According to the MEASE approach, the substance-intrinsic emission potential is one of the main exposure determinants. This is reflected by an assignment of a so-called fugacity class in the MEASE tool. For operations conducted with solid substances at ambient temperature the fugacity is based on the dustiness of that substance. Whereas in hot metal operations, fugacity is temperature based, taking into account the process temperature and the melting point of the substance. As a third group, high abrasive tasks are based on the level of abrasion instead of the substance intrinsic emission potential.

Workplace	Used in preparation?	Content in preparation	Physical form	Emission potential
Handling of signal flares,				
signal rockets, marking	not restricted (used in closed container)			
ammunition, signalling			closed massive container	very low
and simulation			closed massive container	very low
ammunition and				
illumination				
Use of signal flares, signal	Not restricted (used in closed container until			
rockets, marking	impaction/burning, high dilution by ambient air after			
ammunition, signalling	burn	ing).	not relevant	high
and simulation	It is explicitly noted, that any containing magnesium is		not relevant	nign
ammunition and	completely transformed int	o magnesium oxide during		
illumination	burning. Exposure to magne	esium is therefore excluded.		

#### Amounts used

The actual tonnage handled per shift is not considered to influence the exposure as such for this scenario. Instead, the combination of the scale of operation (industrial vs. professional) and level of containment/automation (as reflected in the PROC) is the main determinant of the process intrinsic emission potential.



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Task	Duration of exposure (per shift/day)		
Handling of signal flares,			
signal rockets, marking			
ammunition, signalling	480 minutes		
and simulation			
ammunition and			
illumination			
Use of signal flares,			
signal rockets, marking			
ammunition, signalling	only short durations per day		
and simulation			
ammunition and			
illumination			

#### Human factors not influenced by risk management

The shift breathing volume during all process steps reflected in the PROCs is assumed to be 10 m<sup>3</sup>/shift (8 hours).

#### Other given operational conditions affecting workers exposure

Task	Room volume	Outdoors or indoors?	Process temperature	Process pressure	
Handling of signal flares,					
signal rockets, marking					
ammunition, signalling	not restricted not restricted	not restricted	Not considered relevant for occupational exposure		
and simulation					
ammunition and					
illumination					
Use of signal flares,		assessment of the conducted processes.			
signal rockets, marking		not restricted outdoor use			
ammunition, signalling	not restricted				
and simulation					
ammunition and					
illumination					

For workplaces for which the risk of dust ignition/explosion exists, parallel existing legislation and/or standards have to be considered (e.g. 1999/92/EC, EN14797 and EN13463). Technical and/or organisational measures shall be taken appropriate to the nature of the operation, in order of priority and in accordance with the following basic principles:

- the prevention of the formation of explosive atmospheres, or where the nature of the activity does not allow such prevention,
- the avoidance of the ignition of explosive atmospheres, and
- the mitigation of the detrimental effects of an explosion so as to ensure the health and safety of workers.

To account for the high flammability of magnesium powder, measures to prevent ignition (e.g. no open fire in workplace, avoidance of electro-static discharges) are to be taken. Additionally, magnesium powder is classified as being flammable in contact with water, Thus direct contact of magnesium powder with water has to be omitted.

#### Technical conditions and measures at process level (source) to prevent release

Task	Level of containment	Level of segregation
Handling of signal flares,		
signal rockets, marking		
ammunition, signalling		
and simulation		
ammunition and		
illumination	not required	not required
Use of signal flares,		
signal rockets, marking		
ammunition, signalling		
and simulation		
ammunition and		
illumination		



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Task	Level of separation	Type of ventilation	Efficiency of ventilation (according to MEASE)	Further information
Handling of signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling and simulation ammunition and illumination	not required	not required	na	-
Use of signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling and simulation ammunition and illumination	not required	dilution ventilation	Because of the outdoor setting of this scenario and the safety distance during burning, it is assumed that any emitted magnesium is diluted to an extent which renders occupational exposure very low.	try to maintain a certain distance to the emerging fume and try not to stand upwind if possible, otherwise, try not to spen a long time in the emerging fume

#### Organisational measures to prevent /limit releases, dispersion and exposure

Avoid inhalation or ingestion. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure a safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no eating and smoking at the workplace, unless otherwise stated below the wearing of standard working clothes and shoes. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home. Do not blow dust off with compressed air.

#### Conditions and measures related to personal protection, hygiene and health evaluation

Task	Specification of respiratory protective equipment (RPE)	RPE efficiency (assigned protection factor, APF)	Specification of gloves	Further personal protective equipment (PPE)	
Handling of signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling and simulation ammunition and illumination	not required	na	not required	standard working equipment (clothing and	
Use of signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling and simulation ammunition and illumination	not required	na	during the use of signal flares, signal rockets or marking ammunition, protective gloves should be worn as appropriate	- shoes), eye and ear protection should be worn as appropriate	

#### 2.2 Control of environmental exposure

No quantitative environmental exposure is performed for the professional use of magnesium powder in signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition and signaling and simulation ammunition and illumination. These products are predominantly used in open air at sea (>90%) and land (<10%). During use, all magnesium is completely burned and transformed into MgO, and the MgO emitted will be deposited in the marine water or on soil surface. Because of the limited total amount of Mg used for this application (<100 tons/year), the small amount of Mg per individual product (<50 g per product), the wide dispersive nature of this use, and the large natural background concentration of Mg in the receiving environmental compartments (3930 mg Mg/kg soil and 1290 mg Mg/l seawater, see section 9.16.1), it is concluded that this specific use results in negligible additional environmental exposure to Mg or MgO and therefore has no impact on the environment.



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#### 3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source

#### Occupational exposure

The assessment of occupational exposure is based on MEASE. The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the exposure estimate and the DNEL (derived no-effect level) and has to be below 1 to demonstrate a safe use. For inhalation exposure, the RCR is based on the DNEL (long-term, systemic effects) for magnesium of 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. The dermal exposure estimates as given by MEASE were divided by a default body weight for workers of 70 kg to compare the values with the systemic dermal DNEL.

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Task	Method used for inhalation exposure assessment (refer to introduction)	Inhalation exposure estimate (RCR)	Method used for dermal exposure assessment (refer to introduction)	Dermal exposure estimate (RCR)	
Handling of signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling and simulation ammunition and illumination	MEASE	0.05 mg/m³ (0.005)	According to the HERAG gu fact sheet - Assessment of oc and dermal absorption for n substances; EBRC Consu /Germany; August 2007), magnesium is assumingly ve (dust) exposure. In addition, n expected for Mg cations follodamaged skin. Therefore, a derived. Nevertheless, a dernicher: The highest possible est MEASE is 14.1 mg/kg by assumptions, i.e. wide disperented extensive contact, largest exconsidering the wearing of gle of 0.1 %). Dermal exposure in exposure is	cupational dermal exposure metals and inorganic metal alting GmbH / Hannover the dermal absorption of ery low, i.e. 0.1 % from dry no systemic/local effects are owing exposure of intact or dermal DNEL has not been al exposure estimate is given imate for dermal exposure in w/day (under worst case ersive use, direct handling, exposed dermal area and not oves and a dermal absorption is not further assessed in this	
Use of signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition, signalling and simulation ammunition and illumination	It is explicitly noted, that any containing magnesium is completely transformed into magnesium oxide during burning. Exposure to magnesium is therefore excluded.	not relevant for magnesium	It is explicitly noted, that any containing magnesium is completely transformed into magnesium oxide during burning. Exposure to magnesium is therefore excluded.	not relevant for magnesium	

#### **Environmental emissions**

No quantitative environmental exposure is performed for the professional use of magnesium powder in signal flares, signal rockets, marking ammunition and signaling and simulation ammunition and illumination. These products are predominantly used in open air at sea (>90%) and land (<10%). During use, all magnesium is completely burned and transformed into MgO, and the MgO emitted will be deposited in the marine water or on soil surface. Because of the limited total amount of Mg used for this application (<100 tons/year), the small amount of Mg per individual product (<50 g per product), the wide dispersive nature of this use, and the large natural background concentration of Mg in the receiving environmental compartments (3930 mg Mg/kg soil and 1290 mg Mg/l seawater, see section 9.16.1), it is concluded that this specific use results in negligible additional environmental exposure to Mg or MgO and therefore has no impact on the environment.

#### 4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

#### Occupational exposure

The DU works inside the boundaries set by the ES if either the proposed risk management measures as described above are met or the downstream user can demonstrate on his own that his operational conditions and implemented risk management measures are adequate. This has to be done by showing that they limit the inhalation exposure to a level below the DNEL (given that the processes and activities in question are covered by the PROCs listed above) as given below. If measured data are not available, the DU may make use of an appropriate scaling tool such as MEASE (<a href="www.ebrc.de/mease.html">www.ebrc.de/mease.html</a>) to estimate the associated exposure. The dustiness of the substance used can be determined according to the MEASE glossary.

DNEL<sub>inhalation</sub>: 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>



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Exposure Scenario Format (2) addressing uses carried out by consumers							
1. Title							
Free short title			Consumer use of fireworks				
Systematic title based on use descriptor			SU21, PC0 (pyrophoric composition), TARIC 3604 (Fireworks, signalling flares, rain rockets, fog signals and other pyrotechnic articles), ERC 8D, ERC 8E				
Processes, tasks activities covered				of fireworks -application exposure to a	ir-b	porne particulates	
Assessment Method*			Human health A qualitative assessment has been performed for oral, dermal and inhalation exposure. Environment A qualitative assessment has been performed.				
2. Operational conditi	ions a	nd risk managem	ent r	neasures			
RMM		The pyrotechnic artic European market acco	eles must meet essential safety requirements acc to Directive 2007/23/EC, which are mandatory to				
PC/ERC		Description of activi	ity ref	ferring to product catego	orie	es (PC) and environmental	release categories (ERC)
PC 0, TARIC 3604		Use of fireworks. Post-application expo	osure to air-borne particulates (burned firework particles).				
ERC 8D/8E		Wide dispersive outd	oor us	se of processing aids/react	tive	substances in open systems.	
2.1 Control of consum	iers ex	cposure					
Product characteristic							
Description of the preparation	subst	ncentration of the stance in the paration		vsical state of the paration	Dı	ustiness (if relevant)	Packaging design
Fireworks contain an explosive powder, along with a binding paste, mixed with the signature chemicals responsible for its bright colours.	compo Magn as fue	10-30% in pyrothechnic composition Magnesium powder is used as fuel and to provide a brilliant white flame		id, powder, enclosed in tainer	Not relevant, as no contact to magnesium powder		Protective cover, in acc. with directive 2007/23/EC
Amounts used							
Fireworks Category I		Effect composition: 3	3.0g				
Fireworks Category II Single part like bomb		ies: 200g (propellant composition + effect composition) bette candle total volume: 50g lg e.g. 10g effect composition					
Frequency and duration of	use/exp	oosure				T	
Description of the task		Duration of exposur	e per	per event frequency of events			
Use of fireworks		Typical ≤ 1 h				1 per year	
Post-application			Several per year (bystander)		r)		
Human factors not influenced by risk management							
Description of the task		Population exposed		Breathing rate		Exposed body part	Corresponding skin area cm <sup>2</sup> ]
Use of fireworks (Category I)  Adult/child (>		Adult/child (> 12 year	ars)	1.25 m³/hr (light workin activity)	ng	Palm of hands	Not relevant
Use of fireworks (Category I	I)	Adult (> 18 years)		1.25 m³/hr (light workin activity)	ng	Palm of hands	Not relevant
Post-application Adult/child			1.25 m³/hr (light workin activity)	ng	-	-	



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# Exposure Scenario Format (2) addressing uses carried out by consumers Other given operational conditions affecting consumers exposure Description of the task Indoor/outdoor Room volume Air exchange rate

Description of the task	Indoor/outdoor	Room volume	Air exchange rate	
Use of fireworks (Category I)	Indoor/outdoor	_	Indoor: general ventilation	
Ose of meworks (Category 1)	mdoor/outdoor	_	Outdoor: natural ventilation	
Use of fireworks (Category II)	outdoor	-	Natural ventilation	
Post-application (bystander)	outdoor	-	Natural ventilation	

#### Conditions and measures related to information and behavioural advice to consumers

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Keep out of reach of children.

Do not open the pyrotechnic container.

Carefully read the instructions of the fireworks.

Keep away from flammable material.

Do not through towards other people.

Shower unexploded fireworks with water before dispose of and never reignite.

#### Conditions and measures at level of article production to prevent release during service life

In order to demonstrate that their pyrotechnic articles comply with the essential safety requirements, manufacturers must, have the following properties assessed by independent testing institutes (notified bodies):

Physical and chemical stability; compatibility of all components

Resistance to normal, foreseeable handling and transportation

Resistance against water and low and high temperatures

Safety features to prevent untimely or inadvertent initiation or ignition

Suitable instructions in the official language or languages of the recipient Member State

Ability to withstand deterioration.

#### Conditions and measures related to personal protection and hygiene

None

#### 2.2 Control of environmental exposure

Regarding environmental exposure during consumer use of magnesium in pyrotechnical products (fireworks) no exposure assessment is done. Because of the small amount of Mg used and the large natural background concentration of Mg in the environment, it can be assumed that this identified use will have no impact on the environment.

#### 3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source

The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the refined exposure estimate and the respective DNEL (derived no-effect level). As a qualitative exposure assessment has been conducted no RCR can be deduced.

## Human exposure Use of fireworks

Inhalation

## Route of exposure Exposure estimate Method used, comments Oral Qualitative assessment Oral exposure does not occur as part of the intended product use. Dermal Qualitative assessment Dermal exposure does not occur, as magnesium is part of the mixture inside the pyrotechnic article, which will be enclosed by a protective cover.

Qualitative assessment

#### Post-application exposure to air-borne particulates

	Qualitative assessment:
	No exposure towards magnesium is expected after the application of fireworks, due to the intended function.
Inhalation	Magnesium powder will function as fuel for the firework and will provide a brilliant white flame. Certified pyrotechnic articles will
	completely burn down. Therefore, it can safely be assumed that magnesium has been converted to magnesium oxide after burning
	the fireworks. Therefore, any exposure will be to magnesium oxide.

Inhalation exposure does not occur, as magnesium is part of the mixture inside the pyrotechnic article,

which will be enclosed by a protective cover. No dust formation possible



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Based on the toxicological data available on magnesium oxide it is concluded that magnesium oxide does <u>not</u> elicit any relevant local effects in lungs if inhaled. Hence, no DNEL for acute or long-term inhalation for local effects in the general population had been derived.

The DNEL for the inhalation, systemic effects have been derived to be above the general dust limits of  $10 \text{ mg/m}^3$  for the inhalable airborne fraction. As magnesium oxide represents only a minor percentage (30% of the pyrophoric composition) of the air-borne particulates after the burning of a firework, it can safely be assumed that the use of magnesium in fireworks is not of concern.

#### Environmental exposur

Regarding environmental exposure during consumer use of magnesium in pyrotechnical products (fireworks) no exposure assessment is done. Because of the small amount of Mg used and the large natural background concentration of Mg in the environment, it can be assumed that this identified use will have no impact on the environment.

#### 4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

The DU needs to comply with the safety requirements acc. to Directive 2007/23/EC, which are mandatory to European market access.



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# ES 11 Service life/ Handling of massive objects containing magnesium at ambient temperature

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Exposure Scenario Format (4) addressing service life resulting from downstream use (article handled by consumer)					
1. Title					
Eroo short title	Free short title Service life/ Handling of massive objects containing magnesium at ambient temperature				
Systematic title based on use descriptor for article service life		SU21 (Consumer use), AC1 (vehicles), AC7 (Metal articles), ERC 10A, ERC 11A			
Systematic title based on use descriptor for downstream use leading to inclusion in article		SU15 (Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment)			
Processes, tasks activities		Handling of massive objects containing magnesium metal at ambient temperature.			
Assessment Method*		Human Health A qualitative assessment has been performed for all three exposure routes. Environment A qualitative assessment has been performed for all three exposure routes.			
2. Operational condi	tions and risk manageme	ent measures			
RMM	The visible magnesium applica be invisible/enclosed.	tions will receive a surface treatment for corrosion or cosmetic reasons. Untreated applications will			
AC/ERC	Description of activity referri	ing to article categories (AC) and environmental release categories (ERC)			
AC 1/7	Handling of massive objects co	Handling of massive objects containing magnesium metal at ambient temperature.			
ERC 10A/11A					
2.1 Control of consu	mers exposure				
Product (article) characte	ristic				
AC	Article characteristics				
AC 1	Magnesium alloys will be used in various parts of an automotive like in the interior part (e.g. door handles or decorative strips) in the engine compartment (e.g. engine blocks or cylinder head cover) or in the exterior part (e.g. external mirror frames and base and rims). The visible magnesium applications will receive a surface treatment for corrosion or cosmetic reasons. Untreated applications will be invisible/enclosed.				
AC 2, 7	Magnesium alloys will be used in various applications like mobile phone housings, door handles, cleats for soccer shoes, camping equipment and for various bicycles parts. The visible magnesium applications will receive a surface treatment for corrosion or cosmetic reasons. Untreated applications will be invisible/enclosed.				
Amounts used	I				
AC	Amount of substance in arti	cle			
AC 1		he content will be 90-95% magnesium.			
AC 2, 7	AC 2, 7 Depending on the alloy used the content will be 90-95% magnesium.				
Frequency and duration of use/exposure from service life					
Not relevant					
Human factors not influenced by risk management					
Not relevant					
Other given operational conditions affecting consumers exposure from article service life					
Not applicable.					
Conditions and measures at level of article production to prevent release during service life					
Not applicable.					
Exposure Scenario Format (4) addressing service life resulting from downstream use (article handled by consumer)					
Conditions and measures related to information and behavioural advice to consumers					



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Not applicable.

Conditions and measures related to personal protective equipment and hygiene

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Not applicable.

#### 2.2 Control of environmental exposure

Magnesium is not expected to be released from articles to the environment due to use.

Mg is strongly bound into a material without any intended release. In case of contact with water only a very small fraction at the surface of the article might be available for release but Mg is not expected to migrate out of the article. Mg is not volatile so once fixed in an article there will be no release to air.

#### 3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source

#### Human exposure

The risk characterisation ratio (RCR) is the quotient of the refined exposure estimate and the respective DNEL (derived no-effect level). As a qualitative exposure assessment has been conducted no RCR can be deduced.

Route of exposure	Exposure estimate (RCR)	posure estimate (RCR) Method used, comments	
Oral	_	Qualitative assessment	
		Oral exposure does not occur as part of the intended product use.	
Dermal	Due to the negligible dermal absorption of magnesium (1%; based on HERAG) and no systemic/local effects are expected for magnesium cations following exposure of intact or damaged skin, the dermal route is not a relevant exposure path for magnesium metal. Thus, dermal exposure is not assessed in this exposure scenario		
		Qualitative assessment	
Inhalation	-	Inhalation exposure is insignificant due to the extremely low vapour pressure of magnesium. Furthermore, no abrasive tasks are considered for consumers, therefore no particle/dust formation needs to be considered for massive objects.	

#### **Environmental exposure**

No significant releases to the environment are expected.

#### 4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES