



# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE PREPARATION AND OF THE COMPANY

**Product Identification:** Puracarb® AM Media  
**Product Synonyms:** Odorcarb™ AM Media

**Use of the preparation:** This product is intended for use in gas-phase air filtration

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## 2. COMPOSITION

Common Chemical Name	Synonyms	CAS #	Wt %	EC #	EU Classification
water	dihydrogen oxide	7732-18-5	≤35	231-791-2	
aluminum oxide (non-fibrous)	activated aluminas; activated and amorphous aluminas	1333-84-2*	35-45%		
carbon	activated carbon	7440-44-0	35-45%	231-153-3	
phosphoric acid	Ortho-phosphoric acid	7664-38-2	5-10%	231-633-2	C; R34

\* For TSCA inventory reporting purposes, CAS No. 1344-28-1 (EC# 215-691-6) was assigned for all forms of aluminum oxide instead of the CAS No. 1333-84-2 as indicated above.

**Composition Comments:** For the full text of R phrases mentioned in this section, see Section 16.

## 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### Most Important Hazards:

- If crushed or handled extensively, dust may evolve and can be irritating to the eyes, skin, and respiratory tract.
- Confined space entry. Appropriate safety precautions should be taken when entering any confined space. Entering containers or media vessels/tanks housing activated carbon for inspection, maintenance, etc. may constitute a confined space entry. In confined spaces, activated carbon may remove oxygen from the air causing severe hazards for workers entering such spaces. Before and during the entrance of a confined space all local, state, and federal regulations should be followed.
- Solutions of this product may be corrosive due to low pH.

### Adverse Human Health Effects:

- The following medical conditions may be aggravated by exposure to the product: asthma, chronic lung disease, and skin rashes.
- In solution, this product may produce an acidic (corrosive) solution and similar precautions should be taken as those for acidic (corrosive) solutions when such a solution is produced.

**Environmental Effects:**

If contacted by water, the active ingredients may produce an acidic solution depending on amounts of media and water. If such a solution is produced, the pH should be checked and kept within local regulations by buffering with suitable neutral or basic agent.

**Emergency Overview:**

Inhalation: Move to fresh air. If breathing difficulty occurs or persists, seek medical attention.  
Skin Contact: Wash area with soap and water. If irritation persists, seek medical attention.  
Eye Contact: Flush with large quantities of water for 15 minutes. Seek medical attention.  
Ingestion: Seek medical attention.

**Other Information:**

This media is classified by the manufacturer for health effects according to EU Directive 1999/45/EC with Xi; R36/37/38.

**4. FIRST-AID MEASURES**

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First aid measures should be taken as indicated below for the following routes of exposure.

**Inhalation:** Move to fresh air. If breathing difficulty occurs or persists, seek medical attention.  
**Skin Contact:** Wash area with soap and water. If irritation persists, seek medical attention.  
**Eye Contact:** Flush with large quantities of water for 15 minutes. Seek medical attention.  
**Ingestion:** Seek medical attention.

**Notes to Physician:**

Treatment is recommended to be symptomatic and supportive. If patient has been exposed to this product in solution, the solution may be acidic (corrosive). Corrosive solutions aspirated into the lungs, may cause chemical pneumonitis; treat the affected person appropriately.

**5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

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**Suitable Extinguishing Media:**

Dry chemical, foam, carbon dioxide, water fog.

**Specific Hazards:**

- High airborne concentrations of dust may pose an explosion hazard
- Carbon monoxide and oxides of phosphorous may be generated in the event of a fire

**Protection of Firefighters:**

Fire fighters should wear NIOSH approved, positive pressure, self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing.

**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

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**Personal Precautions:**

Protective clothing appropriate for the environment should be worn. Goggles or safety glasses with side shields, NIOSH approved dust masks, rubber or plastic gloves, and full cover clothing covering arms and legs are recommended.

**Environmental Precautions:**

See section 3. **HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION, Environmental Effects.**

**Methods for Cleaning Up:**

Clean up using dry procedures (broom, shovel, etc.); avoid dusting.

**Recovery:**

Product may be recovered for use if it has not come in contact with liquid, changed color, or been exposed to significant amounts of gaseous contaminants.

**Neutralization:**

See section 3. **HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION, Environmental Effects.**



**Disposal:**  
See section 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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### Handling:

Use air conveying (vacuum) for bulk removal. If manual handling is used for transfer (from vessel, slingbags, boxes, or pails), use mechanical ventilation or other measures to remove airborne dust.

**Prevention of User Exposure:** See Section 8

### Precautions for Safe Handling:

- Confined space entry. Appropriate safety precautions should be taken when entering any confined space. Entering containers or media vessels/tanks housing activated carbon for inspection, maintenance, etc. may constitute a confined space entry. In confined spaces, activated carbon may remove oxygen from the air causing severe hazards for workers entering such spaces. Before and during the entrance of a confined space all local, state, and federal regulations should be followed.
- Avoid crushing the product to keep dusting to a minimum. As described under Handling above, mechanical ventilation or other measures may be needed to remove airborne dust.
- Protect from water and exposure to contaminated air (gaseous, particulate, and aerosol contaminated), otherwise the product may be rendered useless.

### Storage:

General good storage practices should be followed.

### Suitable Conditions:

Store in a cool, dry area and keep in original, closed containers.

### Incompatible Products:

- Product should be kept protected from water and exposure to contaminated air (gaseous, particulate, and aerosol contaminated), otherwise the product may be rendered useless."

### Recommended Packaging Materials:

- Corrugated boxes of 350 lb, double wall quality, with 4 mm plastic liners.
- Injection molded, polystyrene pails and lids including a neoprene seal.

### Not Suitable Packaging Materials:

Porous materials allowing contact with water, air, and the contaminants contained therein.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

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### Exposure Limit Values:

Inert or Nuisance Dust	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> respirable fraction	OSHA PEL
	15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> total dust	OSHA PEL

### Exposure Controls:

Minimize eye and skin contact by using appropriate protective equipment. Use local or general room ventilation to control airborne dust that may be generated.

<b>Respiratory Protection:</b>	NIOSH approved dust mask
<b>Hand Protection:</b>	Rubber or plastic gloves
<b>Eye Protection:</b>	Goggles or safety glasses with side shields
<b>Skin and Body Protection:</b>	Full cover clothing covering arms and legs.

**Hygiene Measures:** Do not inhale dust and avoid contact with eyes.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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### General Information:

Physical state:	solid
Form:	spherical pellets approximately 1.5 – 6.4 mm (1/16 – 1/4 in.) in diameter
Odor:	no significant odor
Color:	black

**Health, Safety, Environmental Information:**

pH:	not applicable
Boiling point:	not applicable
Flash point:	not applicable
Flammability:	not flammable under normal conditions
Explosive properties:	not explosive
Oxidizing properties:	not an oxidizer
Vapor pressure:	not applicable
Bulk density:	0.641 - 0.721 g/cc (40 - 45 lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )
Solubility:	insoluble (phosphoric acid impregnant is water soluble)
Partition coefficient:	not applicable
Viscosity:	not applicable
Vapor density:	not applicable
Evaporation rate:	not applicable

**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

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**Stability:**

stable under normal conditions

**Conditions to Avoid:**

none known

**Materials to Avoid:**

none known

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:**

When involved in a fire carbon monoxide, hydrogen gas, and oxides of phosphorous may be emitted.

**Intended Use and Foreseeable Misuse:**

Intended use is for air purification from gaseous contaminants. The product is not intended to remove dangerous particulates or biological contaminants. The product is not intended to purify water.

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**Acute Toxicity:** expected to be low<sup>[2]</sup>, not tested

**Local Effects:** See section 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION, Adverse Human Health Effects.

**Sensitization:**

**Primary skin irritation and corrosivity (rabbits):** expected to be non-irritant<sup>[2]</sup>, not tested

**Eye irritation (rabbits):** expected to be irritant<sup>[2]</sup>, not tested

**Primary Route of Entry:** inhalation, ingestion, skin contact, eye contact

**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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Not determined.

**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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**Waste From Residues:**

Spent media that has removed toxic chemicals should be examined for specific hazards. Local regulations should always be consulted and followed.

**Contaminated Packaging:** not relevant

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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### International Regulations:

The media contains less than 50% (by weight) activated carbon, which is produced by a steam activation process. Because of this the media is not subject to the provisions of the International Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG) or the labeling and packaging requirements of International Maritime Organization (IMO) Class 4.2.

**Proper Shipping Name:** not applicable

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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### Regulations:

This section contains information specifically applicable to the chemical product relative to the following regulations. Local regulations should always be consulted and followed.

### SARA Title III (Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act)

#### Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances (40CFR355):

not listed

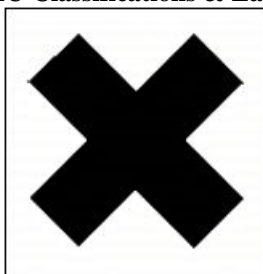
#### Section 312 Hazard Categories (40CFR370.2):

Only expected as Acute (eye irritant), see Section 11 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### Section 313 Reportable Ingredients (40CFR372):

none listed

### EU Classifications & Labeling



Xi – Irritant

### Risk Phrases:

R36/37/38: Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin

### Safety Phrases:

S3: Keep in a cool place.

S8: Keep container dry.

S24/25: Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

S26: In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.

S28: After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of soap and water.

S62: If swallowed, do not induce vomiting; seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label.

S63: In case of accident by inhalation: remove casualty to fresh air and keep at rest.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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### Ingredient R(isk) Phrase Definitions:

R34: Causes burns.

### Disclaimer:

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<sup>[1]</sup> According to ASTM D 3466-76 – Standard Test Method for Ignition Temperature of Granular Activated Carbon.

<sup>[2]</sup> According to methods described in US Government Document 29CFR1910.1200.