

# **SECTION 1: Identification**

#### 1.1 Product identifier

Product name

Leonardite Humic Acid Standard

- **1.2 Other means of identification** Humic Acid
- **1.3** Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use To be used in scientific research on the structure and function of humic substances in soil and water.

#### 1.4 Supplier's details

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Email	ihss@umn.edu

1.5 Emergency phone number(s)

+1 (612) 626-1204

# **SECTION 2: Hazard identification**

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS classification in accordance with: (US) OSHA (29 CFR 1910.1200)

- Eye damage/irritation, Cat. 2A
- Skin corrosion/irritation, Cat. 2
- Combustible dusts

# 2.2 GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

#### Pictogram



Signal word

Warning

Hazard statement(s) H315

Causes skin irritation



H319 Causes serious eye irritation	
May form combustible dust concentrations in air	
Precautionary statement(s)	
P264 Wash hands and exposed skin thoroughly after handling.	
P280 Wear eye protection/face protection/protective gloves.	
P302+P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.	
P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Ren	move
contact lenses if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.	
P332+P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.	
P337+P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.	
P362+P364 Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.	

# 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

No data available

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

Component	Concentration
Humic Acid (CAS no.: not available) *	100 % (weight)
*Humic acid is a complex natural mixture	

# **SECTION 4: First-aid measures**

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### 4.1 Description of necessary first-aid measures

If inhaled	Remove to fresh air and promote deep breathing. Get medical attention if effects persist.	
In case of skin contact	Wash with plenty of soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.	
In case of eye contact	Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If irritation persists, get medical attention.	
If swallowed	Rinse mouth thoroughly with water. Give a few small glasses of water or milk to drink. Call a poison center or doctor if you feel unwell. If vomiting occurs naturally, have victim lean forward to reduce the risk of aspiration. Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.	
Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2) and/or in section 11		
If inhaled	Dust may cause respiratory irritation. Signs/symptoms may include shortness of breath, tightness of the chest, a sore throat and cough.	
In case of skin contact	Causes skin irritation. Signs/symptoms may include dryness, localized redness, and itching.	
In case of eye contact	Causes serious eye irritation. Signs/symptoms may include redness,	

swelling, pain, tearing, and blurred or hazy vision.



If swallowed

May be harmful if swallowed. May cause gastrointestinal irritation. Signs/symptoms may include abdominal pain, stomach upset, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

4.3 Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

Treat symptomatically and supportively.

# **SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures**

# 5.1 Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

5.2 Specific hazards arising from the chemical

May form combustible dust concentrations in air. Large dust clouds from the product have the potential to ignite explosively. Hazardous combustion products: carbon oxides and other potentially toxic gases and fumes.

**5.3** Special protective actions for fire-fighters Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary. Fight fire from a safe distance or a protected location. Approach fire from upwind to avoid hazardous vapours or gases.

# Further information

No data available.

# **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid formation of explosive suspended dust or powder. Remove all sources of ignition. Wear personal protection recommended in Section 8.

# 6.2 Environmental precautions

No special environmental precautions.

# 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Keep all ignition sources away. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Sweep up and/or clean with an explosion proof vacuum without creating suspended dust. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

# Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

# **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

# 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practices. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing dust. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. See Section 8 of the SDS for Personal Protective Equipment. Avoid accumulation of dusts, which can lead to a serious hazard of dust explosion. Keep all ignition sources away. Dry powders can build static electricity charges when subjected to the friction of transfer and mixing operations. Provide adequate precautions, such as electrical grounding and bonding, or inert atmospheres. Wash hands with soap and water after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke while handling.

# 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep container tightly closed in a dry, cool, and well-ventilated place. Comply with all applicable health and safety regulations, fire and building codes.



#### Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1 no other specific uses are stipulated.

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

#### 8.1 Control parameters

No applicable substance specific occupational exposure limits.

Particulates Not Otherwise Regulated (PNOR) PEL-TWA: 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (\*15 mppcf) [respirable fraction], 15 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (\*50 mppcf) [total dust] (OSHA) PEL-TWA: 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (respirable fraction), 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (total dust) (Cal/OSHA)

#### 8.2 Appropriate engineering controls

Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower. Provide general ventilation or local exhaust ventilation to minimize exposure to dust and maintain airborne concentrations below OSHA PELs or other specified exposure limits. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.

#### 8.3 Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment (PPE)

#### Eye/face protection

Safety goggles are recommended. Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

#### Skin protection

Wear protective gloves (for hands) and protective clothing.

#### **Body protection**

The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substances at the specific workplace.

#### **Respiratory protection**

If engineering controls and ventilation are not sufficient to control exposure to below the allowable limits then an appropriate air-purifying respirator with particulate filter (HEPA), or self-contained breathing apparatus must be used. Supplied air breathing apparatus must be used when oxygen concentrations are low or if airborne concentrations exceed the limits of the air-purifying respirators.

#### **Thermal hazards**

No data available.

#### Environmental exposure controls

No special environmental precautions.

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

# Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance/form (physical state, color, etc.)	
Odor	
Odor threshold	
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Melting point/freezing point	
Initial boiling point and boiling range	
Flash point	
Evaporation rate	
Flammability (solid, gas)	

Solid. No data available. No data available. 300 °C (572 °F) No data available. No data available. No data available. No data available. No data available.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits Vapor pressure Vapor density Relative density Density Solubility(ies) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water Auto-ignition temperature Decomposition temperature Viscosity Explosive properties Oxidizing properties No data available. No data available. Not applicable. No data available. Not data available. Not applicable. Not explosive. Not oxidizing.

# Other safety information

No data available.

# **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

## 10.1 Reactivity

Not reactive under normal use conditions.

## **10.2 Chemical stability** Stable under normal storage conditions.

- **10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions** No data available.
- **10.4 Conditions to avoid** Avoid dust generation. Keep away from sources of ignition.

# **10.5 Incompatible materials** Strong oxidizing agents.

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10.6 Hazardous decomposition products Hazardous decomposition products under fire conditions: carbon oxides and other potentially toxic gases and fumes.

# **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

# Information on toxicological effects

Likely Routes of Exposure: Eye contact. Skin contact. Inhalation.

If inhaled	Dust may cause respiratory irritation. Signs/symptoms may include shortness of breath, tightness of the chest, a sore throat and cough.
In case of skin contact	Causes skin irritation. Signs/symptoms may include dryness, localized redness, and itching.
In case of eye contact	Causes serious eye irritation. Signs/symptoms may include redness, swelling, pain, tearing, and blurred or hazy vision.
If swallowed	May be harmful if swallowed. May cause gastrointestinal irritation. Signs/symptoms may include abdominal pain, stomach upset, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.



Acute toxicity No data available

# Skin corrosion/

irritation Causes skin irritation

#### Serious eye damage/

**irritation** Causes serious eye irritation

**Respiratory or skin sensitization** No data available

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

#### No data available Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by IARC. NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP. OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

Reproductive toxicity No data available

**STOT-single exposure** No data available

STOT-repeated exposure No data available

#### Aspiration hazard

Based on available data, classification criteria are not met

# **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

#### Toxicity

No data available on product.

#### Persistence and degradability

No data available on product.

#### **Bioaccumulative potential**

No data available on product.

#### Mobility in soil

No data available on product.

#### **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment** PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted.

#### Other adverse effects

No data available.



# **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

#### **Disposal of the product**

Disposal should be in accordance with applicable Federal, State and local laws and regulations. Local regulations may be more stringent than State or Federal requirements.

## Disposal of contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

# **SECTION 14: Transport information**

**DOT (US)** Not dangerous goods

**IMDG** Not dangerous goods

IATA Not dangerous goods

# **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

#### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations specific for the product in question

#### SARA 302 Components

No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

#### SARA 311/312 Hazards

Acute health hazard.

#### SARA 313 Components

This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

#### **HMIS Rating**

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HEALTH	2
FLAMMABILITY	2
PHYSICAL HAZARD	0

**NFPA** Rating



**SECTION 16: Other information** 

16.1 Further information/disclaimer



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