Material Safety Data Sheet
Copper, powder or dust

ACC# 05430

Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

**MSDS Name:** Copper, powder or dust  
**Catalog Numbers:** S93199, C431-500, C434-500  
**Synonyms:** None.  
**Company Identification:**  
Fisher Scientific  
1 Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
For information, call: 201-796-7100  
Emergency Number: 201-796-7100  
For CHEMTREC assistance, call: 800-424-9300  
For International CHEMTREC assistance, call: 703-527-3887

Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

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<td>Copper</td>
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Section 3 - Hazards Identification

**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

Appearance: red to brown powder.  
**Warning!** Flammable solid. Can be explosive when exposed to heat or flames. Causes respiratory tract irritation. Causes eye and skin irritation. May cause lung damage. Inhalation of fumes may cause metal-fume fever. May cause liver and kidney damage.  
**Target Organs:** Kidneys, liver, lungs.

**Potential Health Effects**  
**Eye:** Causes eye irritation.  
**Skin:** Causes skin irritation. May cause skin discoloration.  
**Ingestion:** Causes gastrointestinal irritation with nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. May cause liver and kidney damage.  
**Inhalation:** Dust is irritating to the respiratory tract. Inhalation of fumes may cause metal fume fever, which is characterized by flu-like symptoms with metallic taste, fever, chills, cough, weakness, chest pain, muscle pain and increased white blood cell count.  
**Chronic:** Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause dermatitis. May cause liver and kidney damage. May cause lung damage.
Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Eyes:** Flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Get medical aid.

**Skin:** Flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical aid if irritation develops or persists.

**Ingestion:** Get medical aid. Do NOT induce vomiting. If conscious and alert, rinse mouth and drink 2-4 cupfuls of milk or water.

**Inhalation:** Remove from exposure and move to fresh air immediately. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid.

**Notes to Physician:** Individuals with Wilson's disease are more susceptible to chronic copper poisoning.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**General Information:** As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear. Dust can be an explosion hazard when exposed to heat or flame. Flammable solid. May burn rapidly with flare burning effect. May re-ignite after fire is extinguished. Finely divided dusts may exhibit pyrophoric tendencies.

**Extinguishing Media:** Use dry sand, Met-L-X powder, or G-1 graphite powder. Contact professional firefighters immediately. Use dry sand, graphite powder, dry sodium chloride-based extinguishers. Dousing metallic fires with water may generate hydrogen gas, an extremely dangerous explosion hazard, particularly if fire is in a confined environment.

**Flash Point:** Not applicable.

**Autoignition Temperature:** Not applicable.

**Explosion Limits, Lower:** Not available.

**Upper:** Not available.

**NFPA Rating:** (estimated) Health: 2; Flammability: 2; Instability: 0

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**General Information:** Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.

**Spills/Leaks:** Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions in the Protective Equipment section. Sweep up, then place into a suitable container for disposal. Scoop up with a nonsparking tool, then place into a suitable container for disposal. Avoid generating dusty conditions. Remove all sources of ignition.

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Use with adequate ventilation. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Empty containers retain product residue, (liquid and/or vapor), and can be dangerous. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Do not pressurize, cut, weld, braze, solder, drill, grind, or expose empty containers to heat, sparks or open flames.

**Storage:** Keep away from sources of ignition. Store in a tightly closed container. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances. Do not expose to air.
### Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

**Engineering Controls:** Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower. Use adequate general or local explosion-proof ventilation to keep airborne levels to acceptable levels.

**Exposure Limits**

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<td>0.2 mg/m3 TWA (fume); 1 mg/m3 TWA (dust and mist, as Cu)</td>
<td>1 mg/m3 TWA (dust and mist) 100 mg/m3 IDLH (dust, fume and mist)</td>
<td>0.1 mg/m3 TWA (fume); 1 mg/m3 TWA (dust and mist)</td>
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**OSHA Vacated PELs:** Copper: 0.1 mg/m3 TWA (fume, dusts, mists as Cu)

**Personal Protective Equipment**

- **Eyes:** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.
- **Skin:** Wear appropriate gloves to prevent skin exposure.
- **Clothing:** Wear appropriate protective clothing to minimize contact with skin.
- **Respirators:** Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

### Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

- **Physical State:** Powder
- **Appearance:** red to brown
- **Odor:** none reported
- **pH:** Not available.
- **Vapor Pressure:** 1 mm Hg @1628C
- **Vapor Density:** Not available.
- **Evaporation Rate:** Not applicable.
- **Viscosity:** Not applicable.
- **Boiling Point:** 2595 deg C
- **Freezing/Melting Point:** 1083 deg C
- ** Decomposition Temperature:** Not available.
- **Solubility:** Insoluble in water.
- **Specific Gravity/Density:** 8.92
- **Molecular Formula:** Cu
- **Molecular Weight:** 63.54

### Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

**Chemical Stability:** Stable at room temperature in closed containers under normal storage and handling conditions.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Ignition sources, dust generation, moisture, exposure to air, excess heat.

**Incompatibilities with Other Materials:** Strong oxidizing agents.
Hazardous Decomposition Products: Copper fumes.
Hazardous Polymerization: Has not been reported.

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

RTECS#: 
CAS# 7440-50-8: GL5325000; GL74400000; GL75900000
LD50/LC50: 
Not available.

Carcinogenicity: 
CAS# 7440-50-8: Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.

Epidemiology: No data available.
Teratogenicity: No data available.
Reproductive Effects: No data available.
Mutagenicity: No data available.
Neurotoxicity: No data available.

Section 12 - Ecological Information

No information available.

Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. US EPA guidelines for the classification determination are listed in 40 CFR Parts 261.3. Additionally, waste generators must consult state and local hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

RCRA P-Series: None listed.
RCRA U-Series: None listed.

Section 14 - Transport Information

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Section 15 - Regulatory Information
US FEDERAL

TSCA
   CAS# 7440-50-8 is listed on the TSCA inventory.

Health & Safety Reporting List
   None of the chemicals are on the Health & Safety Reporting List.

Chemical Test Rules
   None of the chemicals in this product are under a Chemical Test Rule.

Section 12b
   None of the chemicals are listed under TSCA Section 12b.

TSCA Significant New Use Rule
   None of the chemicals in this material have a SNUR under TSCA.

CERCLA Hazardous Substances and corresponding RQs
   CAS# 7440-50-8: 5000 lb final RQ (no reporting of releases of this hazardous substance is requir

SARA Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances
   None of the chemicals in this product have a TPQ.

SARA Codes
   CAS # 7440-50-8: immediate, delayed, fire.

Section 313
   This material contains Copper (CAS# 7440-50-8, 100%),which is subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 of SARA Title III and 40 CFR Part 373.

Clean Air Act:
   This material does not contain any hazardous air pollutants.
   This material does not contain any Class 1 Ozone depleters.
   This material does not contain any Class 2 Ozone depleters.

Clean Water Act:
   None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Hazardous Substances under the CWA.   CAS# 7440-50-8 is listed as a Priority Pollutant under the Clean Water Act. CAS# 7440-50-8 is listed as a Toxic Pollutant under the Clean Water Act.

OSHA:
   None of the chemicals in this product are considered highly hazardous by OSHA.

STATE
   CAS# 7440-50-8 can be found on the following state right to know lists: California, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, Massachusetts.

California Prop 65

California No Significant Risk Level: None of the chemicals in this product are listed.

European/International Regulations

European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives

Hazard Symbols:
   Not available.

Risk Phrases:

Safety Phrases:
   S 24/25 Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

WGK (Water Danger/Protection)
   CAS# 7440-50-8: 0

Canada - DSL/NDSL
CAS# 7440-50-8 is listed on Canada's DSL List.

Canada - WHMIS

This product has a WHMIS classification of D2B, B4. This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all of the information required by those regulations.

Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List

CAS# 7440-50-8 is listed on the Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List.

Section 16 - Additional Information

MSDS Creation Date: 12/12/1997
Revision #6 Date: 3/16/2007

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