

# Safety Data Sheet

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### 1. Identification

#### Product identifier used on the label

## Attagel® 40

#### Recommended use of the chemical and restriction on use

Recommended use\*: chemical for the chemical industry

Recommended use\*: for industrial use only

Suitable for use in industrial sector: chemical industry

\* The "Recommended use" identified for this product is provided solely to comply with a Federal requirement and is not part of the seller's published specification. The terms of this Safety Data Sheet (SDS) do not create or infer any warranty, express or implied, including by incorporation into or reference in the seller's sales agreement.

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

##### Company:

BASF CORPORATION  
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Florham Park, NJ 07932, USA

Telephone: +1 973 245-6000

#### Emergency telephone number

##### 24 Hour Emergency Response Information

CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300

BASF HOTLINE: 1-800-832-HELP (4357)

#### Other means of identification

Chemical family: silicates

### 2. Hazards Identification

#### According to Regulation 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard; 29 CFR Part 1910.1200

#### Classification of the product

Carc.  
STOT RE

1A  
1 (by inhalation)

Carcinogenicity  
Specific target organ toxicity — repeated  
exposure



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Content (W/W): <= 3.0%  
Synonym: Magnesium oxide

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### 4. First-Aid Measures

#### Description of first aid measures

##### General advice:

Remove contaminated clothing.

##### If inhaled:

If difficulties occur after dust has been inhaled, remove to fresh air and seek medical attention.

##### If on skin:

Wash thoroughly with soap and water

##### If in eyes:

Wash affected eyes for at least 15 minutes under running water with eyelids held open. If irritation develops, seek medical attention.

##### If swallowed:

Rinse mouth and then drink 200-300 ml of water. Do not induce vomiting. Seek medical attention.

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

Symptoms: Information, i.e. additional information on symptoms and effects may be included in the GHS labeling phrases available in Section 2 and in the Toxicological assessments available in Section 11.

*Information on: crystalline silica*

*Symptoms: Overexposure may cause:, rhinitis, irritation of the mucous membranes, irritates the eyes and respiratory tract, nausea, headache, vomiting, dizziness, diarrhea, abdominal cramps*

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

##### Note to physician

Treatment: Treat according to symptoms (decontamination, vital functions), no known specific antidote.

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### 5. Fire-Fighting Measures

#### Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media:  
dry powder, foam, water spray

Unsuitable extinguishing media for safety reasons:  
carbon dioxide

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

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Hazards during fire-fighting:

harmful vapours

Evolution of fumes/fog. The substances/groups of substances mentioned can be released in case of fire.

### Advice for fire-fighters

Protective equipment for fire-fighting:

Firefighters should be equipped with self-contained breathing apparatus and turn-out gear.

### Further information:

The degree of risk is governed by the burning substance and the fire conditions. Contaminated extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with official regulations.

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## 6. Accidental release measures

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Avoid dust formation. Use personal protective clothing.

### Environmental precautions

Contain contaminated water/firefighting water. Do not discharge into drains/surface waters/groundwater.

### Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

For small amounts: Pick up with suitable appliance and dispose of.

For large amounts: Contain with dust binding material and dispose of.

Avoid raising dust.

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## 7. Handling and Storage

### Precautions for safe handling

Breathing must be protected when large quantities are decanted without local exhaust ventilation.

Protection against fire and explosion:

No special precautions necessary.

### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Further information on storage conditions: Keep container tightly closed and dry; store in a cool place.

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## 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

### Components with occupational exposure limits

Quartz (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	OSHA, US:	TWA value 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (Respirable dust);
	OSHA, US:	OSHA Action level 0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (Respirable dust);
magnesium oxide	ACGIH, US:	TWA value 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Inhalable fraction ;
	OSHA Z1:	PEL 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Total particulate ;

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### Advice on system design:

Provide local exhaust ventilation to control dusts/mists.

### Personal protective equipment

#### Respiratory protection:

When workers are facing concentrations above the occupational exposure limits they must use appropriate certified respirators. Wear a NIOSH-certified (or equivalent) organic vapour/particulate respirator.

Observe OSHA regulations for respirator use (29 CFR 1910.134).

#### Hand protection:

Chemical resistant protective gloves

#### Eye protection:

Safety glasses with side-shields. Wear face shield if splashing hazard exists.

#### Body protection:

Body protection must be chosen depending on activity and possible exposure, e.g. head protection, apron, protective boots, chemical-protection suit.

### General safety and hygiene measures:

Eye wash fountains and safety showers must be easily accessible.

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## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Form:	powder
Odour:	odourless
Odour threshold:	not determined
Colour:	tan
pH value:	8.5 - 10.5 ( 2 %(m))
Melting temperature:	No data available.
Freezing point:	No data available.
Flash point:	Non-flammable.
Flammability:	not determined
Lower explosion limit:	As a result of our experience with this product and our knowledge of its composition we do not expect any hazard as long as the product is used appropriately and in accordance with the intended use.
Upper explosion limit:	Study does not need to be conducted.
Autoignition:	Study does not need to be conducted.
Vapour pressure:	not applicable
Density:	> 1.0 g/cm <sup>3</sup> (approx. 20 °C)
Relative density:	> 1.0 (approx. 20 °C)
Bulk density:	368 - 880 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Vapour density:	The product is a non-volatile solid.

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Partitioning coefficient n-octanol/water (log Pow):	not applicable
Self-ignition temperature:	not self-igniting
Thermal decomposition:	not determined
Viscosity, dynamic:	not applicable, the product is a solid
Particle size:	No data available.
Solubility in water:	insoluble
Solubility (quantitative):	not available
Evaporation rate:	The product is a non-volatile solid.

## 10. Stability and Reactivity

### Reactivity

No hazardous reactions if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

Oxidizing properties:  
not fire-propagating

### Chemical stability

The product is chemically stable.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

No hazardous reactions when stored and handled according to instructions.  
The product is chemically stable.

### Conditions to avoid

Caution: Calcined Attapulgite products are sold at 1%-9% free surface moisture depending on the grade. In contact with turpentine, vegetable oil and other unsaturated organic compounds, heat may be generated when the Attapulgite is at uncommonly low free moisture levels.

### Incompatible materials

unsaturated organic compounds, vegetable oils

### Hazardous decomposition products

Decomposition products:

Hazardous decomposition products: No hazardous decomposition products if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

Thermal decomposition:  
not determined

## 11. Toxicological information

### Primary routes of exposure

Routes of entry for solids and liquids are ingestion and inhalation, but may include eye or skin contact. Routes of entry for gases include inhalation and eye contact. Skin contact may be a route of entry for liquefied gases.

### Acute Toxicity/Effects

Acute toxicity

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Assessment of acute toxicity: Virtually nontoxic after a single ingestion.

### Oral

Type of value: LD50

Species: rat

Value: > 5,000 mg/kg

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

### Inhalation

Type of value: LC50

not determined

### Dermal

Type of value: LD50

not determined

### Irritation / corrosion

Assessment of irritating effects: Not expected to be an eye irritant. Not expected to be a skin irritant. Inhalation of dust may cause respiratory tract irritation, coughing and breathing difficulties. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

### Skin

Species: rabbit

not determined

### Eye

Species: rabbit

not determined

### Sensitization

Assessment of sensitization: The chemical structure does not suggest a sensitizing effect. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

### Aspiration Hazard

No aspiration hazard expected.

## **Chronic Toxicity/Effects**

### Repeated dose toxicity

Assessment of repeated dose toxicity: This product contains crystalline silica (quartz). OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) has classified this substance as harmful to the lung, kidney and immune system following repeated inhalation exposure. Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause pulmonary problems. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

### *Information on: crystalline silica*

*Assessment of repeated dose toxicity: Prolonged or repeated inhalation of respirable crystalline silica may result in silicosis. Repeated inhalation exposure may cause inflammatory effects in the lung. The substance may cause increase in lung mass and lung tissue changes after repeated inhalation. This product may contain greater than 0.1% crystalline silica. Repeated exposure to high concentrations results in silicosis, a lung disease characterized by coughing, difficult breathing, wheezing, scarring of the lungs, and repeated, non-specific chest illnesses.*

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*OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) has classified this substance as harmful to the lung, kidney and immune system following repeated inhalation exposure.*

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### Genetic toxicity

Assessment of mutagenicity: Based on the ingredients, there is no suspicion of a mutagenic effect.

### Carcinogenicity

Assessment of carcinogenicity: This product contains crystalline silica (quartz). May cause cancer by inhalation.

*Information on: Quarz (SiO<sub>2</sub>), respirable particles*

*Assessment of carcinogenicity: May cause cancer by inhalation. The substance was found to cause cancer in animal experiments. Epidemiological studies stated a carcinogenic activity also in humans. The substance and its compounds in the form of respirable dusts/aerosols classified by the German MAK commission as a category 1 carcinogen (substances that cause cancer to humans). The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has classified this substance as a Group 1 (known) human carcinogen.*

*NTP listed carcinogen*

*OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) has classified this substance as carcinogenic.*

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### Reproductive toxicity

Assessment of reproduction toxicity: The data available for an assessment of the effect of the substance on reproduction are not sufficient for a proper evaluation.

### Teratogenicity

Assessment of teratogenicity: No data available.

### Other Information

Based on our experience and the information available, no adverse health effects are expected if handled as recommended with suitable precautions for designated uses. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

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## 12. Ecological Information

### **Toxicity**

#### Aquatic toxicity

Assessment of aquatic toxicity:

At the present state of knowledge, no negative ecological effects are expected.

There is a high probability that the product is not acutely harmful to aquatic organisms. The inhibition of the degradation activity of activated sludge is not anticipated when introduced to biological treatment plants in appropriate low concentrations.

#### Toxicity to fish

LC50 (96 h) > 100 mg/l, Fish

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### Aquatic invertebrates

LC50 (48 h) > 100 mg/l, daphnia

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

### Aquatic plants

EC50 (72 h) > 100 mg/l, algae

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

### **Microorganisms/Effect on activated sludge**

#### Toxicity to microorganisms

bacteria/EC50 (0.5 h): > 100 mg/l

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

### **Persistence and degradability**

#### Assessment biodegradation and elimination (H2O)

Inorganic product which cannot be eliminated from water by biological purification processes.

### **Additional information**

Other ecotoxicological advice:

The inhibition of the degradation activity of activated sludge is not anticipated when introduced to biological treatment plants in appropriate low concentrations. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

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## 13. Disposal considerations

Waste disposal of substance:

Dispose of in a licensed facility. Do not discharge into drains/surface waters/groundwater. It is the waste generator's responsibility to determine if a particular waste is hazardous under RCRA.

### **Container disposal:**

Dispose of in a licensed facility. Empty containers or liners may retain product residues. Recommend crushing, puncturing or other means to prevent unauthorized use of used containers.

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## 14. Transport Information

### **Land transport**

USDOT

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

### **Sea transport**

IMDG

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

### **Air transport**

IATA/ICAO

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

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### 15. Regulatory Information

#### Federal Regulations

##### Registration status:

Chemical TSCA, US released / listed

**EPCRA 311/312 (Hazard categories):** Refer to SDS section 2 for GHS hazard classes applicable for this product.

#### State regulations

##### State RTK

NJ

##### CAS Number

1309-48-4

14808-60-7

##### Chemical name

magnesium oxide

Quartz (SiO<sub>2</sub>)

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magnesium oxide

Quartz (SiO<sub>2</sub>)

#### **Safe Drinking Water & Toxic Enforcement Act, CA Prop. 65:**

**WARNING:** This product can expose you to chemicals including SILICA, CRYSTALLINE (AIRBORNE PARTICLES OF RESPIRABLE SIZE), which is known to the State of California to cause cancer. For more information, go to [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).

#### **NFPA Hazard codes:**

Health: 1

Fire: 0

Reactivity: 0

Special:

### 16. Other Information

#### **SDS Prepared by:**

BASF NA Product Regulations

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