

**SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING****1.1 Product identifier**

Substance name: Mixture of dolomite and calcium oxide  
Synonyms: Cresco Optimal Mg, Tehokalkki  
Chemical name and formula: Calcium magnesium carbonate -  $\text{CaMg}(\text{CO}_3)_2$ , Calcium oxide - CaO  
Trade name: Cresco Optimal Mg

**1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance and uses advised against****Use of the mixture:**

The mixture is intended for the following non-exhaustive list of uses:  
Agricultural pH and magnesium adjustment, water treatment

**1.2.1 Identified uses**

All uses listed in table 1 of the Appendix of this MSDS are identified uses.

**1.2.2 Uses advised against**

No use identified in Table 1 of the Appendix of this MSDS is advised against.

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

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**1.4 Emergency telephone number**

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Poison Information Centre, Finland +358 9 4711  
Poison Information Centre, Norway + 47 2259 1300  
Poison Information Centre, Sweden +46 10 456 6700  
Poison Information Centre, United Kingdom +44 191 260 6182/+44 191 260 6180 (24H)

**SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****2.1 Classification of the substance****2.1.1 Classification according to Regulation (EC) 1272/2008**

Eye Dam. 1, H318

**2.1.2 Additional information**

For full text of H-statements and P- phrases: see SECTION 16

**2.2 Label elements**

Signal word: Danger

Hazard pictogram:



Hazard statements:

H318: Causes serious eye damage

Precautionary statements:

P102: Keep out of reach of children

P280: Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

P305+P351+P338: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P310: Immediately call a poison center or doctor/physician.

**2.3 Other hazards**

The substance does not meet the criteria for PBT or vPvB substance.

No other hazards identified.

**SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

**3.1 Substances**

Not applicable

**3.2 Mixture**

CAS number	EC number	REACH Registration No.	Identification name	Weight % content (or range)	Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 [CLP]
1305-78-8	215-138-9	01-2119475325-36	Calcium oxide	Circa 7 %	Eye Dam. 1, H318 Skin irrit. 2, H315 STOT SE 3, H335 - Route of exposure: Inhalation
60937-55-5	262-530-0		Calcium magnesium carbonate	>30%	
471-34-1	207-439-9		Calcium carbonate	>30%	

Hazardous impurities: No impurities relevant for classification and labelling.

**SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

**4.1 Description of first aid measures**

General notes

No known delayed effects. Consult a physician for all exposures.

Following eye contact

Rinse eyes immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Remove contact lenses if possible.

Self-protection of the first aid

Avoid contact with skin, eyes, and clothing – wear suitable protective equipment (see section 8).

Avoid inhalation of dust – ensure that sufficient ventilation or suitable respiratory protective equipment is used, wear suitable protective equipment (see section 8).

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

Calcium oxide of mixture is not acutely toxic via the oral, dermal, or inhalation route. The substance is classified as irritating eyes. There is no concern for adverse systemic effects because local effects (pH-effect) are the major health hazard.

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

Follow the advises given in section 4.1

### **SECTION 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

#### **5.1 Extinguishing media**

##### **5.1.1 Suitable extinguishing media**

The product is not combustible. Use a dry powder, foam or CO<sub>2</sub> fire extinguisher to extinguish the surrounding fire.

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

##### **5.1.2 Unsuitable extinguishing media**

Do not use water. Avoid humidification.

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

Calcium oxide in mixture reacts with water and generates heat. This may cause risk to flammable material.

#### **5.3 Advice for fire fighters**

Avoid generation of dust. Use respirator. Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

### **SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

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

##### **6.1.1 For non-emergency personnel**

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Keep dust levels to a minimum.

Keep unprotected persons away.

Avoid contact with eyes– wear suitable protective equipment (see section 8).

##### **6.1.2 For emergency responders**

Keep dust levels to a minimum.

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Keep unprotected persons away.

Avoid contact with skin, eyes, and clothing – wear suitable protective equipment (see section 8).

#### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Contain the spillage. Keep the material dry if possible. Cover area if possible to avoid unnecessary dust hazard. Avoid uncontrolled spills to watercourses and drains (pH increase). Any large spillage into watercourses must be alerted to the Environment Agency or other regulatory body.

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

In all cases avoid dust formation.

Keep the material dry if possible.

Pick up the product mechanically.  
Use vacuum suction unit, or shovel into bags.

#### **6.4 Reference to other sections**

For more information on exposure controls/personal protection or disposal considerations, please check section 8 and 13 and the Annex of this safety data sheet.

### **SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE**

#### **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

##### **7.1.1 Protective measures**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Wear protective equipment (refer to section 8 of this safety data sheet). Do not wear contact lenses when handling this product. It is also advisable to have individual pocket eyewash. Keep dust levels to a minimum. Minimize dust generation. Enclose dust sources, use exhaust ventilation (dust collector at handling points). Handling systems should preferably be enclosed.

##### **7.1.2 Advice on general occupational hygiene**

Avoid inhalation or ingestion and contact with skin and eyes. General occupational hygiene measures are required to ensure safe handling of the substance. These measures involve good personal and housekeeping practices (i.e. regular cleaning with suitable cleaning devices), no drinking, eating and smoking at the workplace. Shower and change clothes at end of work shift. Do not wear contaminated clothing at home.

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

The substance should be stored under dry conditions. Any contact with air and moisture should be avoided. Bulk storage should be in purpose – designed silos. Keep away from acids, significant quantities of paper, straw, and nitro compounds. Keep out of reach of children. Do not use aluminium for transport or storage if there is a risk of contact with water.

#### **7.3 Specific end use(s)**

Please check the identified uses in table 1 of the Appendix of this SDS.

For more information please see the relevant exposure scenario, available via your supplier/given in the Appendix, and check section 2.1: Control of worker exposure.

**SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**8.1 Control parameters**

DNELs(Part of mixture:CaO):

Workers				
Route of exposure	Acute effect local	Acute effects systemic	Chronic effects local	Chronic effects systemic
Oral	Not required			
Inhalation	4 mg / m <sup>3</sup> (Respirable dust)	No hazard identified	1 mg / m <sup>3</sup> (Respirable dust)	No hazard identified
Dermal	Hazard identified but no DNEL available	No hazard identified	Hazard identified but no DNEL available	No hazard identified

Consumers				
Route of exposure	Acute effect local	Acute effects systemic	Chronic effects local	Chronic effects systemic
Oral	No exposure expected	No hazard identified	No exposure expected	No hazard identified
Inhalation	4 mg / m <sup>3</sup> (Respirable dust)	No hazard identified	1 mg / m <sup>3</sup> (Respirable dust)	No hazard identified
Dermal	Hazard identified but no DNEL available	No hazard identified	Hazard identified but no DNEL available	No hazard identified

PNECSs (CaO):

Environment protection target	PNEC	Remarks
Fresh water	0.37 mg / L	
Freshwater sediments	No PNEC available	Insufficient data available
Marine water	0.24 mg / L	
Marine sediments	No PNEC available	Insufficient data available
Food (bioaccumulation)	No hazard identified	No potential for bioaccumulation
Microorganisms in sewage treatment	2.27 mg / L	
Soil (agricultural)	817.4 mg / kg soil dw	
Air	No hazard identified	

For the Calcium oxide:

SCOEL recommendation (SCOEL/SUM/137 February 2008; see Section 16.6):

Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL), 8 h TWA: 1 mg/m<sup>3</sup> respirable fraction

Short-term exposure limit (STEL), 15 min: 4 mg/m<sup>3</sup> respirable fraction

#### National OELS:

##### Finland (STM (538/2018))

Calcium hydroxide	8h	15 min
-Inhalable dust	1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	4 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Calcium oxide		
-Inhalable dust	1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	4 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Dust, inorganic	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	

##### Sweden (AFS 2018:1):

Calcium hydroxide	Level limit value (NGV)	Short-term value (KGV)
-Inhalable dust	1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	4 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Calcium oxide		
-Inhalable dust	1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	4 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Dust, inorganic		
-inhalable dust	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
-respirable dust	2,5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	

## 8.2 Exposure controls

To control potential exposures, generation of dust should be avoided. Further, appropriate protective equipment is recommended. Eye protection equipment (e.g. goggles or visors) must be worn, unless potential contact with the eye can be excluded by the nature and type of application (i.e. closed process). Additionally, face protection, protective clothing and safety shoes are required to be worn as appropriate.

Please check the relevant exposure scenario, given in the available via your supplier.

### 8.2.1 Appropriate engineering controls

If user operations generate dust, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne dust levels below recommended exposure limits.

### 8.2.2 Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

#### a. Eye/face protection

Do not wear contact lenses. For powders, tight fitting goggles with side shields, or wide vision full goggles. It is also advisable to have individual pocket eyewash.

#### b. Skin protection

Since calcium oxide in mixture is classified as irritating to skin, dermal exposure has to be minimised as far as technically feasible. The use of protective gloves (nitrile), protective standard working clothes fully covering skin, full length trousers, long sleeved overalls, with close fittings at openings and shoes resistant to caustics and avoiding dust penetration are required to be worn.

#### c. Respiratory protection

Local ventilation to keep levels below established threshold values is recommended. A suitable particle filter mask is recommended, depending on the expected exposure levels - please check the relevant exposure scenario, given in the Appendix/available via your supplier.

#### d. Thermal hazards

The substance does not represent a thermal hazard, thus special consideration is not required.

### 8.2.3 Environmental exposure controls

All ventilation systems should be filtered before discharge to atmosphere.

Avoid releasing to the environment.

Contain the spillage. Any large spillage into watercourses must be alerted to the regulatory authority responsible for environmental protection or other regulatory body.

For detailed explanations of the risk management measures that adequately control exposure of the environment to the substance please check the relevant exposure scenario, available via your supplier.

For further detailed information, please check the Appendix of this SDS.

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance:	White or off white (beige) solid material of varying sizes: Lump, granular or fine powder
Odour:	odourless
Odour threshold:	not applicable
pH:	12.3 (saturated solution at 20 °C)
Melting point:	> 450 °C (study result, EU A.1 method)
Boiling point:	not applicable (solid with a melting point > 450 °C)
Flash point:	not applicable (solid with a melting point > 450 °C)
Evaporation rate:	not applicable (solid with a melting point > 450 °C)
Flammability:	non flammable (study result, EU A.10 method)
Explosive limits:	non explosive (void of any chemical structures commonly associated with explosive properties)
Vapour pressure:	not applicable (solid with a melting point > 450 °C)
Vapour density:	not applicable
Relative density:	depends on grain size distribution
Solubility in water:	not studied
Partition coefficient:	not applicable (inorganic substance)
Auto ignition temperature:	no relative self-ignition temperature below 400 °C (study result, EU A.16 method)
Decomposition temperature:	not applicable
Viscosity:	not applicable (solid with a melting point > 450 °C)
Oxidising properties:	no oxidizing properties (Based on the chemical structure, the 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)

### 9.2 Other information

Not available

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 Reactivity

Calcium oxide in mixture reacts exothermically with water to form Calcium dihydroxide.

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Under normal conditions of use and storage (dry conditions), calcium oxide is stable.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

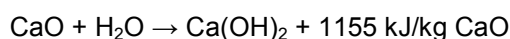
Calcium oxide in mixture reacts exothermically with acids to form calcium salts.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Minimise exposure to air and moisture to avoid degradation.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Calcium oxide in mixture reacts exothermically with water to form calcium dihydroxide:



Calcium oxide reacts exothermically with acids to form calcium salts.

Calcium oxide reacts with aluminium and brass in the presence of moisture leading to the production of hydrogen:  $\text{CaO} + 2 \text{Al} + 7 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{Ca(Al(OH)}_4)_2 + 3 \text{H}_2$

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

None.

Further information: calcium oxide in mixture absorbs moisture and carbon dioxide from air to form calcium carbonate, which is a common material in nature.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

For the calcium oxide in mixture:

#### a. Acute toxicity

Oral  $\text{LD}_{50} > 2000 \text{ mg/kg bw}$  (OECD 425, rat)

Dermal no data available.

Inhalation no data available

Calcium oxide or calcium magnesium oxide is not acutely toxic.

#### b. Skin corrosion/irritation

Calcium dihydroxide is irritating to skin (*in vivo*, rabbit).

Calcium dihydroxide is not corrosive to skin (*in vitro*, OECD 431). By read across these results are also applicable to calcium oxide.

#### c. Serious eye damage/irritation

Calcium oxide entails a risk of serious damage to the eye (*in vivo*, rabbit).

#### d. Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available. Calcium oxide is considered not to be a skin sensitiser, based on the nature of the effect (pH shift) and the essential requirement of calcium for human nutrition. Additionally magnesium is essential in human nutrition.

#### e. Germ cell mutagenicity

Calcium dihydroxide is not genotoxic (*in vitro*, OECD 471, 473 and 476). By read across these results are also applicable to calcium oxide.

Calcium magnesium oxide is not genotoxic (*in vitro*, OECD 471, 473 and 476).

In view of the omnipresence and essentiality of Ca and Mg, and of the physiological non-relevance of any pH shift induced by calcium oxide in aqueous media, CaO is obviously void of any genotoxic potential.

#### f. Carcinogenicity

Both calcium (administered as Ca-lactate) and magnesium (administered as Mg-chloride) are not carcinogenic (experimental results, rat/mouse).

The pH effect of calcium magnesium oxide does not give rise to a carcinogenic risk.

Human epidemiological data support lack of any carcinogenic potential of calcium magnesium oxide.



**g. Reproductive toxicity**

Both calcium (administered as Ca-carbonate) and magnesium (administered as Mg-sulphate) are not toxic to reproduction (experimental results, mouse/rat). The pH effect does not give rise to a reproductive risk. Human epidemiological data support lack of any potential for reproductive toxicity of calcium oxide. Both in animal studies and human clinical studies on various calcium salts no reproductive or developmental effects were detected. Also see the Scientific Committee on Food (Section 16.6).

Thus, calcium oxide is not toxic for reproduction and/or development.

**h. STOT-single exposure**

From human data it is concluded that CaO and Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub> are irritating to the respiratory tract. As summarised and evaluated in the SCOEL recommendation (Anonymous, 2008), based on human data calcium oxide is irritating to the respiratory system.

**i. STOT-repeated exposure**

Toxicity of calcium via the oral route is addressed by upper intake levels (UL) for adults determined by the Scientific Committee on Food (SCF), being  
UL = 2500 mg/d, corresponding to 36 mg/kg bw/d (70 kg person) for calcium.

Toxicity of CaO via the dermal route is not considered as relevant in view of the anticipated insignificant absorption through skin and due to local irritation as the primary health effect (pH shift). Toxicity of CaO via inhalation (local effect, irritation of mucous membranes) is addressed by an 8-h TWA determined by the Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits (SCOEL) of 1 mg/m<sup>3</sup> respirable dust (see Section 8.1).

**j. Aspiration hazard**

Calcium oxide is not known to present an aspiration hazard.

## **SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### **12.1 Toxicity**

#### **12.1.1 Acute/Prolonged toxicity to fish**

LC<sub>50</sub> (96h) for freshwater fish: 50.6 mg/l (calcium dihydroxide)

LC<sub>50</sub> (96h) for marine water fish: 457 mg/l (calcium dihydroxide)

#### **12.1.2 Acute/Prolonged toxicity to aquatic invertebrates**

EC<sub>50</sub> (48h) for freshwater invertebrates: 49.1 mg/l (calcium dihydroxide)

LC<sub>50</sub> (96h) for marine water invertebrates: 158 mg/l (calcium dihydroxide)

#### **12.1.3 Acute/Prolonged toxicity to aquatic plants**

EC<sub>50</sub> (72h) for freshwater algae: 184.57 mg/l (calcium dihydroxide)

NOEC (72h) for freshwater algae: 48 mg/l (calcium dihydroxide)

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

At high concentration, through the rise of temperature and pH, calcium oxide is used for disinfection of sewage sludges

#### **12.1.5 Chronic toxicity to aquatic organisms**

NOEC (14d) for marine water invertebrates: 32 mg/l (calcium dihydroxide)

#### **12.1.6 Toxicity to soil dwelling organisms**

EC<sub>10</sub>/LC<sub>10</sub> or NOEC for soil macroorganisms: 2000 mg/kg soil dw (calcium dihydroxide)

EC<sub>10</sub>/LC<sub>10</sub> or NOEC for soil microorganisms: 12000 mg/kg soil dw (calcium dihydroxide)

#### **12.1.7 Toxicity to terrestrial plants**

NOEC (21d) for terrestrial plants: 1080 mg/kg (calcium dihydroxide)

#### **12.1.8 General effect**

Acute pH-effect. Although this product is useful to correct water acidity, an excess of more than 1 g/l may be harmful to aquatic life. pH-value of > 12 will rapidly decrease as result of dilution and carbonation

#### **12.1.9 Further information**

The results by read across are also applicable to calcium oxide, since in contact with moisture calcium hydroxide is formed

#### **12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Not relevant for inorganic substances

#### **12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

Not relevant for inorganic substances

#### **12.4 Mobility in soil**

Calcium oxide reacts with water and/or carbon dioxide to form respectively calcium dihydroxide and/or calcium carbonate, which are sparingly soluble, and present a low mobility in most soils.

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

Not relevant for inorganic substances

#### **12.6 Other adverse effects**

No other adverse effects are identified

### **SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **13.1 Waste treatment methods**

Disposal of mixture including calcium oxide should be in accordance with local and national legislation. Processing, use or contamination of this product may change the waste management options. Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with applicable member state and local requirements.

The used packing is only meant for packing this product; it should not be reused for other purposes. After usage, empty the packing completely.

### **SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

#### **14.1 UN-Number**

Not regulated

#### **14.2 UN proper shipping name**

Calcium oxide mixture

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

Class 8 (ICAO/IATA)

Mixture or Calcium oxide is not classified as hazardous for transport (ADR (Road), RID (Rail), IMDG / GGVSea (Sea)).

#### **14.4 Packing group**

Group III (Air transport (ICAO/IATA))

#### 14.5 Environmental hazards

None

#### 14.6 Special precautions for user

Avoid any release of dust during transportation, by using air-tight tanks for powders and covered trucks for pebbles.

#### 14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code

Not regulated.

### SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

Authorisations: Not required

Restrictions on use: None

Other EU regulations: Calcium oxide is not a SEVESO substance, not an ozone depleting substance and not a persistent organic pollutant.

National regulations: Calcium oxide: Water endangering class 1 (Germany)

#### 15.2 Chemical safety assessment

A chemical safety assessment has not been carried out for this substance.

### SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

Data are based on our latest knowledge but do not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and do not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

#### 16.1 Hazard Statements

H318: Causes serious eye damage

#### 16.2 Precautionary Statements

P102: Keep out of reach of children

P280: Wear eye protection

P305+P351+P338: If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

#### 16.3 Abbreviations

DNEL: derived no-effect level

EC<sub>50</sub>: median effective concentration

LC<sub>50</sub>: median lethal concentration

LD<sub>50</sub>: median lethal dose

NOEC: no observable effect concentration

IATA: international air transport association

TWA: time weighted average

OEL: occupational exposure limit

PBT: persistent, bioaccumulative, toxic chemical

PNEC: predicted no-effect concentration

STEL: short-term exposure limit

TWA: time weighted average  
vPvB: very persistent, very bioaccumulative chemical  
ICAO: international civil aviation organization  
ADR: European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road  
ADN: European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways  
IMDG: International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code  
RID: Regulations concerning the international railway transport of dangerous goods

#### **16.4 Key literature references**

Anonymous, 2006: Tolerable upper intake levels for vitamins and minerals Scientific Committee on Food, European Food Safety Authority, ISBN: 92-9199-014-0 [SCF document]

Anonymous, 2008: Recommendation from the Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits (SCOEL) for calcium oxide (CaO) and calcium dihydroxide (Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub>), European Commission, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, SCOEL/SUM/137 February 2008

#### **16.5 Revision**

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Section 3.2 Changed percentages

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This is a first version of MSDS of Cresco Optimal Mg in English based on Finnish SDS.

#### Disclaimer

This safety data sheet (SDS) is based on the legal provisions of the REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006; article 31 and Annex II), as amended. Its contents are intended as a guide to the appropriate precautionary handling of the material. It is the responsibility of recipients of this SDS to ensure that the information contained therein is properly read and understood by all people who may use, handle, dispose or in any way come in contact with the product. Information and instructions provided in this SDS are based on the current state of scientific and technical knowledge at the date of issue indicated. It should not be construed as any guarantee of technical performance, suitability for particular applications, and does not establish a legally valid contractual relationship. This version of the SDS supersedes all previous versions.

#### APPENDIX

Exposure Scenarios