

#### SAFETY DATA SHEET

(Following Regulations (EC) No 1907/2006 & (EC) No 1272/2008)

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#### 1 - Identification of product

#### 1.1 - Identification of Product

Tradenames: Teknofelt FBK 1260, Teknofelt FBK 1450, Teknofelt FBK 1500, Teknofelt FBK 1600, Teknofelt FBK 1700, Teknoveneer FBK 1260, Teknoveneer FBK 1450, Teknoveneer FBK 1500, Teknofelt FBK 1600, Teknofel Teknoveneer FBK 1600, Teknoveneer FBK 1700,

These products contain Refractory Ceramic Fibres (RCF)/Alumino-silicate wools (ASW) ((RCF/ASW)).

Index Number: 650-017-00-8 of Annex VI

CAS number: 142844-00-6

CAS Name: Refractories, fibres, aluminosilicate Registration number: 01-2119458050-50-0002

#### 1.2 - Use of Product

Use of this product is restricted to professional users for application as thermal insulation, heat shields, heat containment, gaskets and expansion joints at temperatures up to 1700°C in industrial furnaces, ovens, kilns, boilers and other process equipment and in the aerospace, automotive and appliance industries, and as passive fire protection systems and fire stops.

- · Primary Use: Manufacture of fibre (this use refers to the initial production of the fibre and is therefore not relevant to the downstream user)
- Secondary Use: Conversion into wet and dry mixtures and articles (refer to section 8)
- Tertiary Use: Installation, removal (industrial and professional) / Maintenance and service life (industrial and professional) (refer to section 8)

#### 1.3 - Identification of Company

IDENTIFICATION OF THE MANUFACTURER/SUPPLIER

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# 1.4 - Emergency information

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Language: English

Opening hours: Only available during office hours

#### 2 - Hazard Identification

#### 2.1 - Classification of the substance/ mixture

# 2.1.1 Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Under the Classification, Labelling and Packaging regulations (CLP) 1272/2008 EEC RCF/ASW has been classified as a 1B carcinogen.

#### 2.1.2 Additional information:

The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) reaffirmed in 2001 that group 2B ("possibly carcinogenic to humans") remains the appropriate classification for RCF/ASW. In accordance with 1st adaptation to Technical Progress of Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 as published 10th August 2009, the classification as "irritant" has been removed for all types of manmade vitreous fibres (MMVFs).

#### 2.2 - Labelling Elements

Component	Classification	Hazard pictogram & Symbol	H Statement
Refractory Ceramic Fibres (Alumino-silicate wools)	(EC)No. 1272/2008.	GHS 08	H350I

**GHS 08** Hazard pictogram

Signal Word Danger

May cause cancer by inhalation **Hazard Statements** 

Precautionary Do not handle until all safety instructions have been statements

read and understood. (P202)

Use personal protective equipment as required. (P281)

#### 2.3 - Other hazards which do not result in classification

Mild mechanical irritation to skin, eyes and upper respiratory system may result from exposure.

These effects are usually temporary

## 3 - Composition / Information On Ingredients

#### 3.2 Mixture

These products in the form of felt are made of refractory ceramic fibres and polycrystalline fibres.

COMPONENT	% by weight	CAS No.	REACH Registration Number	Hazard Classification according to CLP
Refractory Ceramic Fibre (Alumino-silicate wools)	40- 100	142844-00-6	01- 2119458050-50	Cat 1b Carcinogen (Lung, H350i)
Polycrystalline Fibre	0-50	675106-31-7	01- 2119456884-25	Not classified as hazardous
Acrylic binder	0-12	Not Applicable	Not yet available	Not classified as hazardous
Aluminium sulphate	<1	10043-01-3	01- 2119531538-36	Eye Dam 1 (H318)

#### Composition:

CAS definition: Chemical composition of Refractory Ceramic Fibres (RCF/ASW): SiO2: 45-60 %, Al2O3: 28-55 %, ZrO2 < 18%

None of the components are radioactive under the terms of European Directive Euratom 96/29.

#### 4 - First-Aid measures

#### Skin

Handling of this material may generate mild mechanical temporary skin irritation. If this occurs, rinse affected areas with water and wash gently. Do not rub or scratch exposed skin.

In case of eye contact flush abundantly with water; have eye bath available. Do not rub eyes. Seek medical attention is irritation persists.

If these become irritated move to a dust free area, drink water and blow nose. Seek medical attention if irritation persists.

If symptoms persist, seek medical advice.

#### 4.2 - Most Important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

No symptoms or effects expected either acute or delayed

#### 4.3 - Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment required

No special treatment required, if exposure occurs wash exposed areas to avoid irritation.

# 5 - Fire-fighting measures

# 5.1 - Extinguishing media

Use extinguishing agent suitable for surrounding combustible materials.

# 5.2 - Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Non combustible products. However, virgin product binder may burn and produce gases and/or fumes.

## 5.3 - Advice for firefighters

Packaging and surrounding materials may be combustible.

#### 6 - Accidental Release Measures

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

Where abnormally high dust concentrations occur, provide workers with appropriate protective equipment as detailed in section 8.

Restrict access to the area to a minimum number of workers required.

Restore the situation to normal as quickly as possible.

# 6.2 - Environmental precautions

Prevent further dust dispersion for example by damping the materials.

Do not flush spillage to drain and prevent from entering natural watercourses.

Check for local regulations, which may apply

#### 6.3 - Methods and materials for containment and clean up

Pick up large pieces and use a vacuum cleaner fitted with a high efficiency filter (HEPA)

If brushes are used, ensure that the area is wetted down first.

Do not use compressed air for clean up. Do not allow to become windblown.

# 6.4 - Reference to other sections

For further information, please refer to sections 7 and 8

# 7 - Handling and storage

#### 7.1 - Precautions for safe handling

Handling can be a source of dust emission and therefore the processes should be designed to limit the amount of handling. Whenever possible, handling should be carried out under controlled conditions (i.e., using dust exhaust system).
Regular good housekeeping will minimise secondary dust dispersal.

## 7.2 - Conditions for safe storage

Store in original packaging in a dry area. Always use sealed and clearly labelled containers. Avoid damaging containers. Reduce dust emission during unpacking. Emptied containers, which may contain debris, should be cleaned before disposal or recycling. Recyclable cardboard and/or plastic films are recommended for packaging.

#### 7.3 - Specific end use

The main application of these products is as thermal insulation. Use of the products is restricted to professional users. Please refer to section 8 and the relevant exposure scenario

#### 8.1 - Control parameters

Industrial hygiene standards and occupational exposure limits vary between countries and local jurisdictions. Check which exposure levels apply to your facility and comply with local regulations. If no regulatory dust or other standards apply, a qualified industrial hygienist can assist with a specific workplace evaluation including recommendations for respiratory protection. Examples of national OELs (November 2014) are given in the table below.

	RCF	MMVF	ı
COUNTRY	(fibre/ml)	(f/ml)	Source
EU BOELV	0.3		Carcinogens and Mutagens Directive (DIRECTIVE 2004/37/EC)
Austria	0.3	1	Grenzwerteverordnung
Belgium	0.3	1	Valeurs limites d'exposition professionnelle – VLEP/ Grenswaarden voor beroepsmatige blootstelling – GWBB
Denmark	0.3	1	Grænseværdier for stoffer og materialer
Finland	0.2	1	Finnish Ministry of Social Affairs and Health
France	0.1	1	Institut National de Recherche et de Sécurité
Germany*	0.2*	1.25 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TRGS 900
Hungary	0.3	1	EüM-SZCSM rendelet
Ireland	0.3	1	HAS – Ireland
Italy	0.3	1	Decree 44/20
Luxembourg	0.3	1	Agents Chimiques, Cancérigènes Ou Mutagènes Au Travail
Netherlands	0.3	1	SER
Norway	0.1	0.5	Veiledning om administrative normer for forurensning i arbeidsatmosfære
Poland	0.3	2	Dziennik Ustaw 2010
Spain	0.3	1	INSHT
Sweden	0.2	1	AFS 2005:17
Switzerland	0.25	1	SUVA - Valeurs limites d'exposition aux postes de travail
UK	0.3	2	EH40/2020

## 8.1.1 DNEL/DMEL (DERIVED NO-EFFECT LEVEL/DERIVED MINIMAL EFFECT LEVEL)

SCOEL (Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits) published a report in 2012 using all available data to set an OEL for RCF, because this substance is a fibre and its hazard is related to inhalation, this OEL is more appropriate than a modelled DNEL. The report concludes as follows:

Assuming a 45 years exposure the average cumulative exposures of 147.9 and 184.8 fmo/ml, respectively, result in an average fibre concentrations of 0.27 and 0.34 f/ml. Considering these values as no observed adverse effect levels SCOEL proposes an OEL of 0.3 f/ml.

#### Information on monitoring procedures

United Kinadom

MDHS 59 specific for MMVF: "Man-made mineral fibre - Airborne number concentration by phase-contrast light microscopy" and MDHS 14/4 "General methods for sampling and gravimetric analysis of respirable and inhalable dust"

NIOSH

NIOSH 0500 "Particulates not otherwise regulate, total" NIOSH 0600 "Particulates not otherwise regulate, respirable" NIOSH 7400 "Asbestos and other fibres by PCM"

## 8.2 - Exposure controls

#### 8.2.1 APPROPRIATE ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Review your application(s) and assess situations with the potential for dust release.

Where practical, enclose dust sources and provide dust extraction at source. Designate work areas and restrict access to informed and trained workers.

Use operating procedures that will limit dust production and exposure of workers.

Keep the workplace clean. Use a vacuum cleaner fitted with a HEPA filter; avoid using brooms and never use compressed air for clean up.

If necessary, consult an industrial hygienist to design workplace controls and practices.

The use of products specially tailored to your application(s) will help to control dust. Some products can be delivered ready for use to avoid further cutting or machining. Some could be pretreated or packaged to minimise or avoid dust release during handling. Consult your supplier for further details

Table of Uses and Risk Management Measures (RMM):

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Where it is practical to do so, automatically feed RCF/ASW in to the process Where practical to do so, segregate dry and wet processing Enclose the process where practically possible. Where practical to do so, segregate machine areas and restrict access to operators involved in the process. Enclose Machines as far as practically possible. Install LEV where possible, when machine finishing, handling, compressing and hand cutting to remove dust at source Employ experienced personnel – trained in the correct
use of fibrous products  PPE and RPE used for all dusty tasks  Provide vacuum cleaner connection point to central system where practical or use a portable HEPA vacuum  Regular clean up – using a wet scrubbing unit where practically possible and in general a HEPA vacuum
should be used.  Dry brushing and use of compressed air should be prohibited  Waste materials to be contained at source, labelled and stored separately for disposal or recycling.
RMM - Hierarchy of Controls
Use pre-cut, pre-sized pieces where practically possible. Allow access only to trained (authorised) operators Where practically possible, perform all hand cutting in a segregated area, on a down draft bench. Clean up work area regularly during the shift using a HEPA equipped vacuum cleaner. Prohibit use of dry brushing and compressed air cleaning. Bag and seal waste immediately at source. Use PPE and RPE appropriate to task. Employ good hygiene practices.
RMM - Hierarchy of Controls
Where practically possible enclose or segregate the work area. Allow only authorised personnel. Pre-wet insulation prior to removal where practically possible. Where practically possible use a water lance for removal or vacuum-truck. Use down draft bench for hand cutting products. Cover pre-cut section during transport and storage to prevent secondary exposure. Where practically possible provide multiple vacuum hoses for convenient cleanup of spillage or use portable HEPA filtered vacuums. Bag waste materials immediately at source Prohibit use of dry brushing and or compressed air cleaning.

# 8.2.2 - Personal Protective Equipment

Wear industrial leather gloves and work clothes, which are loose fitting at the neck and wrists. Soiled clothes should be cleaned to remove excess dust before being taken off (e.g. use vacuum cleaner, not compressed air). Each worker should be provided with two lockers in an appropriate changing and washing area. It is good hygiene practice to ensure work clothes are washed separately by the employer. Work clothes should not be taken home.

## Eye Protection

As necessary, wear goggles or safety glasses with side shields

#### Respiratory Protection

For dust concentrations below the applicable exposure limit value, RPE is not required but FFP2 respirators should be provided for use on a voluntary basis.

For short term operations where excursions are less than ten times the applicable limit value, use FFP3 respirators.

In case of higher concentrations or where the concentration is not known, please seek advice from your company and/or your supplier. You may also refer to the ECFIA code of practice available on the ECFIA's web site: www.ecfia.eu

# Information and Training of workers

This should include:

The applications involving RCF/ASW-containing products;

The potential risk to health resulting from the exposure to fibrous dust;

The requirements regarding smoking, eating and drinking at the workplace; The requirements for protective equipment and clothing;

The good working practices to limit dust release; The proper use of protective equipment.

# 8.2.3 - Environmental Exposure Controls

RCF/ASW is inorganic, inert and stable and it is not soluble in water (solubility <1mg/litre) and as such does not pose a detrimental effect on the environment.

Processes involving the manufacturing or use of RCF/ASW should be filtered to minimise fibre emissions to air

Waste RCF/ASW should be stored in closed containers and placed in to deep landfills, giving therefore little opportunity for release.

General good practice for spills and waste is to prevent products from being windblown, by covering and damping the waste materials. Contain spillages to prevent access to drain.

Refer to local, national or European applicable environmental standards for release to air water and soil. For waste, refer to section13

## 9 - Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties Not Applicable White felt State Colour Not appicable Odour None Odour threshold Not Applicable рΗ Not applicable . Melting point/freezing point > 1900°C Initial boiling point and boiling point range Not applicable Flash point Not applicable **Evaporation rate** Not Applicable Flammability (solid, gas) Not applicable Not applicable Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits Not applicable Vapour pressure Vapour density Not Applicable Relative density 130-170 kg/m<sup>3</sup> Solubility(ies) Less than 1 mg/l Partition co-efficient: n-octanol/water Not applicable

 Decomposition temperature
 Not Applicable

 Viscosity
 Not Applicable

 Other safety information
 Length Weighted Geometric Mean Diameter 1.4 - 3 μm

Particle Characteristics

Explosive properties

Oxidising properties

Not applicable

Not applicable

Not applicable

# 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Auto-ignition temperature

#### 10.1 - Reactivity

RCF/ASW is stable and non reactive.

#### 10.2 - Chemical Stability

RCF/ASW is inorganic, stable and inert

#### 10.3 - Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

During first heating, oxidation products from the organic binder might be emitted in a temperature range from 180°C to 600°C. It is recommended to ventilate the room until gases and fumes have disappeared. Avoid exposure to high concentrations of gas or fumes.

Not applicable

#### 10.4 - Conditions to Avoid

Please refer to handling and storage advice in Section 7

# 10.5 - Incompatible Materials

None

# 10.6 - Hazardous decomposition products

Upon heating above 900°C for sustained periods, this amorphous material begins to transform to mixtures of crystalline phases. For further information please refer to Section 16.

#### 11 - Toxicological information

#### Toxicokinetics, metabolism and distribution

Exposure is predominantly by inhalation or ingestion. Man made vitreous fibres of a similar size to RCF/ASW have not been shown to migrate from the lung and/or gut and do not become located in other organs of the body

#### 11.1.2 Human Toxicological data

In order to determine possible human health effects following RCF exposure, the University of Cincinnati has been conducting medical surveillance studies on RCF workers in the U.S.A. The Institute of Occupational Medicine (IOM) has conducted medical surveillance studies on RCF workers in European manufacturing facilities.

Pulmonary morbidity studies among production workers in Europe and U.S.A. have demonstrated an absence of interstitial fibrosis. In the European study a reduction of lung capacity among smokers has been identified, however, based on the latest results in the U.S.A. study this reduction is no longer statistically significant.

A statistically significant correlation between pleural plagues and cumulative RCF exposure was evidenced in the USA longitudinal study.

The U.S.A. mortality study did not show evidence of increased lung tumour development either in the lung parenchyma or in the pleura.

#### 11.1 - Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Experimental studies of RCF

Acute toxicity: short term inhalation

No data available: Short term tests have been undertaken to determine fibre (bio) solubility rather than toxicity; repeat dose inhalation tests have been undertaken to determine chronic toxicity and carcinogenicity.

Acute toxicity: oral

No data available: Repeated dose studies have been carried out using gavage. No effect was found.

Not a chemical irritant according to test method OECD no. 404

Serious eve damage/irritation:

Not possible to obtain acute toxicity information due to the morphology and chemical inertness of the substance

· Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No evidence from human epidemiological studies of any respiratory or skin sensitisation potential

Germ cell mutagenicity;

Method: In vitro micronucleus test Species: Hamster (CHO)

Dose: 1-35 mg/ml

o Routes of administration: In suspension

o Results: Negative

Carcinogenicity:

Method: Inhalation. Multi-dose

Species: Rat,

Dose: 3 mg/m3,9 mg/m3 and 16 mg/m3 Routes of administration: Nose only inhalation

Results: Fibrosis just reached significant levels at 16 and 9 mg/m3 but not at 3 mg/m3. None of the parenchymal tumour incidences were higher than the historical control values for this strain of

animal

Method: Inhalation, Single dose

Species: Rat Dose: 30 mg/m3

Routes of administration: Nose only inhalation

Results: Rats were exposed to a single concentration of 200 WHO fibres/ml specially prepared RCF for 24 months. High incidence of exposure-related pulmonary neoplasms (bronchoalveolar adenomas and carcinomas) were observed. A small number of mesotheliomas were observed in each of the fibre exposure groups (Mast et al 1995a).

Method: Inhalation. Single dose Species: Hamster

Dose: 30 mg/m3

Routes of administration: Nose only inhalation

Results: Hamsters were exposed to a single concentration of 260 WHO fibres/ml specially prepared RCF for 18 months and developed lung fibrosis, a significant number of pleural mesotheliomas (42/102) but no primary lung tumours (McConnell et al 1995).

Method: Inhalation. Single dose

Species: Rat

Dose: RCF1: 130 F/ml and 50 mg/m3 (25% of non fibrous particles) RCF1a: 125 F/ml and 26 mg/m3 (2% of non fibrous particles)

Routes of administration: Nose only inhalation

Results: Rats were exposed to RCF1 and RCF1a for 3 weeks. The objective of the study was to compare lung retention and biological effects of the original RCF1 compared to RCF1a. The main difference of these 2 samples was the non fibrous particle content of respectively 25% versus 2%. The post treatment observation was 12 months. Alveolar clearance was barely retarded after RCF1A exposure. After RCF1 exposure, however, a severe retardation of clearance was observed. (Bellmann et al 2001) (Source: publication)

After intraperitoneal injection of ceramic fibres into rats in three experiments (Smith et al 1987, Pott et al 1987, Davis et al 1984), mesotheliomas were found in the abdominal cavity in two studies, while the third report (Pott et al 1987) had incomplete histopathology. Only a few mesotheliomas were found in the abdominal cavity of hamsters after intraperitoneal injection in one experiment (Smith et al 1987). However, the ceramic fibres tested were of relatively large diameter. When rats and hamsters were exposed via intraperitoneal injection, tumour incidence was related to fibre length and dose (Smith et al 1987, Pott et al 1987, Miller et al 1999, Pott et al 1989). (From SCOEL publication (EU Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits) publication SCOEL/SUM/165, October 2010)

Reproductive toxicity:

Method: Gavage Species: Rat Dose: 250mg/kg/day

Routes of administration: Oral

Results: No effects were seen in an OECD 421 screening study. There are no reports of any reproductive toxic effects of mineral fibres. Exposure to these fibres is via inhalation and effects seen are in the lung. Clearance of fibres is via the gut and the faeces, so exposure of the reproductive organs is extremely unlikely.

- · STOT-Single exposure: Not applicable
- STOT-Repeated exposure: Not applicable
- Aspiration hazard: Not applicable

Experimental Studies for Polycrystalline Fibre

Lifetime rat inhalation studies in the rat on PCW fibres at the maximum levels achievable have shown no evidence of lung cancer, lung fibrosis or any other adverse effect, apart from a minimal pulmonary response typical of that of a 'low toxicity dust'.

Also, a lifetime feeding study in rats has produced no evidence of any adverse effects at levels up to 2.5 % in the diet. Intraperitoneal, intratracheal and intrapleural studies in rats, together with two in vitro tests, all showed negative results whereas asbestos and crystalline silica which were used as positive controls (where relevant) produced positive responses.

When tested using approved methods (as listed in Regulation (EC) 1907/2006, Annex 8, Section 8.1), fibres contained in this material give negative results. All man-made mineral fibres, like some natural fibres, can produce a mild irritation resulting in itching or rarely, in some sensitive individuals, in a slight reddening. Unlike other irritant reactions this is not the result of allergy or chemical skin damage but is caused by mechanical effects.

## 12 - Ecological information

#### 12.1 - Toxicity

These products are insoluble materials that remain stable overtime and are chemically identical to inorganic compounds found in the soil and sediment; they remain inert in the natural environment.

No adverse effects of this material on the environment are anticipated.

#### 12.2 - Persistence and degradability

Not established

#### 12.3 - Bioaccumulative potential

Not established

#### 12.4 - Mobility in soil

No information available

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

This mixture contains no substance considered to be persistent, bioaccumulating nor toxic (PBT).

This mixture contains no substance considered to be very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB).

#### 12.6 - Endocrine Disrupting Properties

No additional information available

#### 12.7 - Other adverse effects

#### 13 - Disposal Considerations

## 13.1 - Disposal Considerations

#### 14 - Transport information

#### 14.1 - Transport information

#### 14.1. UN number

Not Applicable

#### 14.2. UN proper shipping name

Not Applicable

# 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

Not Applicable

# **14.4. Packing group** Not Applicable

Not Applicable

# 14.5. Environmental hazards

Not Applicable

# 14.6. Special precautions for user

Not Applicable

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

Not Applicable

# 15 - Regulatory information

# 15.1 - Regulatory information

The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) confirmed in October 2001 that Group 2B (possible human carcinogen based on sufficient evidence of carcinogenicity in animals but inadequate evidence in humans) continues to be the appropriate classification for refractory ceramic fibre.

#### INFORMATION FOR RCF USERS EXPORTING TO EUROPE

Under European Regulation REACH there are additional obligations for importers of RCF containing products

RCF are classified in the European Union as a carcinogenic substance CLP 1B. On the 13th of January 2010 ECHA has updated the candidate list for authorisation (Annexe XV of the REACH regulation) and has added 14 new substances in this list including Refractory Ceramic Fibres and zirconia Refractory Ceramic Fibres.

As a consequence, EU (European Union) or EEA (European Economical Area) suppliers of articles which contain Refractory Ceramic Fibres and zirconia Refractory Ceramic Fibres in a

As a consequence, EU (European Union) or EEA (European Economical Area) suppliers of articles which contain Refractory Ceramic Fibres and zirconia Refractory Ceramic Fibres in a concentration above 0.1% (w/w) have an obligation to provide information, available to them, to their customers or upon a request from an end user, within 45 days of the receipt of the request, on the supply of RCF containing articles,. This information must ensure safe use of the article and as a minimum contain the name of the substance. See section 16 for internet reference containing further information.

#### 16 - Other Information

#### 16.1 - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND PRECAUTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED UPON REMOVAL OF AFTER SERVICE MATERIAL

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND PRECAUTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED UPON REMOVAL OF AFTER SERVICE MATERIAL

As produced, all Refractory Ceramic Fibres are vitreous (glassy) materials which, upon continued exposure to elevated temperatures (above 900°C), may devitrify. The occurrence and extent of crystalline phase formation is dependent on the duration and temperature of exposure, fibre chemistry and/or the presence of fluxing agents. The presence of crystalline phases can be confirmed only through laboratory analysis of the "hot-face" fibre.

IARCs evaluation of crystalline silica states "Crystalline silica inhaled in the form of quartz or cristobalite from occupational sources is carcinogenic to humans (Group 1)" and additionally mentioned "in making the overall evaluation, the Working Group noted that carcinogenicity in humans was not detected in all industrial circumstances studied..."

As only a thin layer of the insulation (hot face side) is exposed to high temperatures, respirable dust generated during removal operations does not contain detectable levels of crystalline silica (CS).

In applications where the material is heat soaked, duration of heat exposure is normally short and a significant devitrification allowing CS to build up does not occur. This is the case for waste mould casting for instance.

Toxicological evaluation of the effect of the presence of CS in artificially heated RCF/ASW material has not shown any increased toxicity in vitro.

The lack of toxicological effects may be explained by the following factors;

Increased brittleness of fibres after service life, favours fast fibre translocation through macrophage.

Microcrystals, including crystalline silica, are embedded in the glass structure of the fibre and are therefore not biologically available The IARC evaluation as provided in Monograph 68 is not relevant as CS is not biologically available in after- service RCF/ASW.

High concentrations of fibres and other dusts may be generated when after-service products are mechanically disturbed during operations such as wrecking. Therefore MTC recommends: a) control measures are taken to reduce dust emissions;

- b) all personnel directly involved wear an appropriate respirator to minimise exposure; and
- c) Compliance with local regulatory limits.

#### 16.2 - uses advised against

ECFIA recommends that this fibre is not used for spraying

#### 16.3 - NOTE

This Safety Data Sheet was originally produced in English and has subsequently been translated in to other languages; whilst every effort has been made to make this an accurate translation, please be aware that technical terms do not always translate correctly. The English version should always be considered as the reference version.

#### 16.4 - Further Information

#### FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information can be found on

http://www.morganthermalceramics.com

http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/2006-123/

http://www.ecfia.eu/

http://echa.europa.eu/chem data/authorisation process/candidate list obligations en.asp

#### 16.5 - Technical Datasheets

#### **TECHNICAL DATA SHEETS**

For more information on individual products please see the technical data sheet section at www.morganthermalceramics.com

#### 16.6 - Revision Summary

Update to section 8.

#### 16.7 - NOTICE

The information presented herein is based on data considered to be accurate as of the date of preparation of this Safety Data Sheet. However, no warranty or representation, express or implied, is made as to the accuracy or completeness of the foregoing data and safety information, nor is any authorization given or implied to practice any patented invention without a license. In addition, no responsibility can be assumed by the vendor for any damage or injury resulting from abnormal use, from any failure to adhere to recommended practices, or from any hazards inherent in the nature of the product.