



Safety Data Sheet

Ar-He

according to Regulation (EC) No. 453/2010

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SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1. Product identifier

Trade name : Ar-He

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Relevant identified uses : Industrial and professional. Perform risk assessment prior to use.
Test gas/Calibration gas.
Laboratory use.
Contact supplier for more information on uses.

Uses advised against : No additional information available

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company identification : Oy Woiikoski Ab
Virransalmentie 2023
52920 Voikoski Finland
+358 15 7700 700

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1.4. Emergency telephone number

Country	Official advisory body	Address	Emergency number
FINLAND	Myrkytystietokeskus Gifinformationscentralen, Poison Information Centre	P.O.B 790 (Tukholmankatu 17) HUS SF - 00029 Helsinki	+358 9 471 977

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]

Compressed gas H280

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or 1999/45/EC

2.2. Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]

Hazard pictograms (CLP) :



GHS04

Signal word (CLP) : Warning

Hazard statements (CLP) : H280 - Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated

Precautionary statements (CLP) : P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place

2.3. Other hazards

: Asphyxiant in high concentrations.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1. Substances

Not applicable

3.2. Mixture



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Name	Product identifier	%	Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC	Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]
Argon	(CAS No) 7440-37-1 (EC no) 231-147-0 (REACH-no) *1	70	Not classified	Compressed gas, H280
Helium	(CAS No) 7440-59-7 (EC no) 231-168-5 (REACH-no) *1	30	Not classified	Compressed gas, H280

Full text of R-, H- and EUH-phrases: see section 16

Contains no other components or impurities which will influence the classification of the product.

*1: Listed in Annex IV / V REACH, exempted from registration.

*2: Registration deadline not expired.

*3: Registration not required: Substance manufactured or imported < 1t/y.

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

- Inhalation : Remove victim to uncontaminated area wearing self contained breathing apparatus. Keep victim warm and rested. Call a doctor. Apply artificial respiration if breathing stopped.
- Skin contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product.
- Eye contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product.
- Ingestion : Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

- : In high concentrations may cause asphyxiation. Symptoms may include loss of mobility/consciousness. Victim may not be aware of asphyxiation. Refer to section 11.

4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

- : None.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

- Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray or fog.
- Unsuitable extinguishing media : Do not use water jet to extinguish.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

- Specific hazards : Exposure to fire may cause containers to rupture/explode.
- Hazardous combustion products : None.

5.3. Advice for fire-fighters

- Specific methods : Use fire control measures appropriate for the surrounding fire. Exposure to fire and heat radiation may cause gas receptacles to rupture. Cool endangered receptacles with water spray jet from a protected position. Prevent water used in emergency cases from entering sewers and drainage systems.
If possible, stop flow of product.
Use water spray or fog to knock down fire fumes if possible.
- Special protective equipment for fire fighters : In confined space use self-contained breathing apparatus.
Standard protective clothing and equipment (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) for fire fighters.
Standard EN 469 - Protective clothing for firefighters. Standard - EN 659: Protective gloves for firefighters.
Standard EN 137 - Self-contained open-circuit compressed air breathing apparatus with full face mask.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

- : Try to stop release.
- Evacuate area.
- Monitor concentration of released product.
- Wear self-contained breathing apparatus when entering area unless atmosphere is proved to be safe.
- Ensure adequate air ventilation.

6.2. Environmental precautions

- : Try to stop release.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

- : Ventilate area.

6.4. Reference to other sections

- : See also sections 8 and 13.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Safe use of the product

- : The substance must be handled in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety procedures.
- Only experienced and properly instructed persons should handle gases under pressure.
- Consider pressure relief device(s) in gas installations.
- Ensure the complete gas system was (or is regularly) checked for leaks before use.
- Do not smoke while handling product.
- Use only properly specified equipment which is suitable for this product, its supply pressure and temperature. Contact your gas supplier if in doubt.

Safe handling of the gas receptacle

- : Refer to supplier's container handling instructions.
- Do not allow backfeed into the container.
- Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide or drop.
- When moving cylinders, even for short distances, use a cart (trolley, hand truck, etc.) designed to transport cylinders.
- Leave valve protection caps in place until the container has been secured against either a wall or bench or placed in a container stand and is ready for use.
- If user experiences any difficulty operating cylinder valve discontinue use and contact supplier.
- Never attempt to repair or modify container valves or safety relief devices.
- Damaged valves should be reported immediately to the supplier.
- Keep container valve outlets clean and free from contaminants particularly oil and water.
- Replace valve outlet caps or plugs and container caps where supplied as soon as container is disconnected from equipment.
- Close container valve after each use and when empty, even if still connected to equipment.
- Never attempt to transfer gases from one cylinder/container to another.
- Never use direct flame or electrical heating devices to raise the pressure of a container.
- Do not remove or deface labels provided by the supplier for the identification of the cylinder contents.
- Containers should be stored in the vertical position and properly secured to prevent toppling.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

- : Observe all regulations and local requirements regarding storage of containers.
- Containers should not be stored in conditions likely to encourage corrosion.
- Container valve guards or caps should be in place.
- Containers should be stored in the vertical position and properly secured to prevent toppling.
- Stored containers should be periodically checked for general condition and leakage.
- Keep container below 50°C in a well ventilated place.
- Store containers in location free from fire risk and away from sources of heat and ignition.
- Keep away from combustible materials.

7.3. Specific end use(s)

: None.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

No additional information available

8.2. Exposure controls

8.2.1. Appropriate engineering controls

: Provide adequate general and local exhaust ventilation.
Systems under pressure should be regularly checked for leakages.
Ensure exposure is below occupational exposure limits (where available).
Oxygen detectors should be used when asphyxiating gases may be released.
Consider work permit system e.g. for maintenance activities.

8.2.2. Individual protection measures, e.g. personal protective equipment

: A risk assessment should be conducted and documented in each work area to assess the risks related to the use of the product and to select the PPE that matches the relevant risk. The following recommendations should be considered:
PPE compliant to the recommended EN/ISO standards should be selected.

- Eye/face protection

: Wear safety glasses with side shields.
Standard EN 166 - Personal eye-protection.

- Skin protection

- Hand protection

: Wear working gloves when handling gas containers.
Standard EN 388 - Protective gloves against mechanical risk.

- Other

: Wear safety shoes while handling containers.
Standard EN ISO 20345 - Personal protective equipment - Safety footwear.

- Respiratory protection

: Self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) or positive pressure airline with mask are to be used in oxygen-deficient atmospheres.
Standard EN 137 - Self-contained open-circuit compressed air breathing apparatus with full face mask.

Thermal hazards

: None necessary.

8.2.3. Environmental exposure controls

: Refer to local regulations for restriction of emissions to the atmosphere. See section 13 for specific methods for waste gas treatment.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance

- Physical state at 20°C / 101.3kPa : Gas
- Colour : Mixture contains one or more component(s) which have the following colour(s): Colourless.

Odour

: There may be no odour warning properties, odour is subjective and inadequate to warn of overexposure.
Mixture contains one or more component(s) which have the following odour(s):
No odour warning properties.

Odour threshold

: Odour threshold is subjective and inadequate to warn for overexposure.

pH value

: Not applicable for gas-mixtures.

Molar mass

: Not applicable for gas-mixtures.

Melting point

: Not applicable for gas-mixtures.

Boiling point

: Not applicable for gas-mixtures.

Critical temperature	: No data available
Flash point	: Not applicable for gas-mixtures.
Evaporation rate (ether=1)	: Not applicable for gas-mixtures.
Flammability range [vol% in air]	: Not applicable for gas-mixtures.
Vapour pressure [20°C]	: Not applicable.
Relative density, gas (air=1)	: Lighter or similar to air.
Relative density, liquid (water=1)	: No data available
Solubility in water [mg/l]	: Solubility in water of component(s) of the mixture : • Argon: 61 mg/l • Helium: 1,5 mg/l
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water [log Kow]	: Not applicable for gas-mixtures.
Auto-ignition temperature [°C]	: No data available
Viscosity at 20°C	: Not applicable.
Explosive Properties	: Not applicable.
Oxidising Properties	: None.
Coefficient of oxygen equivalency (Ci)	: No data available

9.2. Other information

Other data : None.

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

: No reactivity hazard other than the effects described in sub-sections below.

10.2. Chemical stability

: Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

: None.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

: None under recommended storage and handling conditions (see section 7).

10.5. Incompatible materials

: None.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

: Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity	: No toxicological effects from this product.
Skin corrosion/irritation	: No known effects from this product.
Serious eye damage/irritation	: No known effects from this product.
Respiratory or skin sensitisation	: No known effects from this product.
Germ cell mutagenicity	: No known effects from this product.
Carcinogenicity	: No known effects from this product.
Toxic for reproduction : Fertility	: No known effects from this product.
Toxic for reproduction : unborn child	: No known effects from this product.
STOT-single exposure	: No known effects from this product.
STOT-repeated exposure	: No known effects from this product.
Aspiration hazard	: Not applicable for gases and gas-mixtures.



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SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

Ecology - general : Classification criteria are not met.

12.2. Persistence and degradability

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Persistence and degradability	No data available.

Argon (7440-37-1)	
Persistence and degradability	No ecological damage caused by this product.

Helium (7440-59-7)	
Persistence and degradability	No ecological damage caused by this product.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

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Log Pow	Not applicable for gas-mixtures.
Log Kow	Not applicable for gas-mixtures.
Bioaccumulative potential	No data available.

Argon (7440-37-1)	
Log Pow	Not applicable for inorganic gases.
Bioaccumulative potential	No ecological damage caused by this product.

Helium (7440-59-7)	
Log Pow	Not applicable for inorganic gases.
Bioaccumulative potential	No ecological damage caused by this product.

12.4. Mobility in soil

Ar-He	
Mobility in soil	No data available.

Argon (7440-37-1)	
Ecology - soil	No ecological damage caused by this product.

Helium (7440-59-7)	
Ecology - soil	No ecological damage caused by this product.

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

No data available.

12.6. Other adverse effects

Effect on ozone layer : None.
Ozone depletion factor [R11=1] : No additional information available
Global warming potential [CO2=1] : No additional information available
Effect on the global warming : No known ecological damage caused by this product.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Contact supplier if guidance is required.
Do not discharge into any place where its accumulation could be dangerous.
Ensure that the emission levels from local regulations or operating permits are not exceeded.
Refer to the EIGA code of practice Doc.30 "Disposal of Gases", downloadable at <http://www.eiga.org> for more guidance on suitable disposal methods.

List of hazardous wastes : 16 05 05: Gases in pressure containers other than those mentioned in 16 05 04.

13.2. Additional information

: None.

SECTION 14: Transport information

In accordance with ADR / RID / ADNR / IMDG / ICAO / IATA

14.1. UN number

UN-No. : 1956

14.2. UN proper shipping name

Proper Shipping Name : COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S.
Transport document description : UN 1956 COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S. (Argon, Helium), 2.2, (E)

14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

Class (UN) : 2
Hazard labels (UN) : 2.2



14.4. Packing group

Not applicable

14.5. Environmental hazards

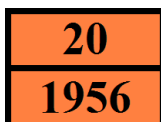
IMDG-Marine pollutant : No
Environmental hazards : None.
Other information : No supplementary information available.

14.6. Special precautions for user

Special transport precautions : Avoid transport on vehicles where the load space is not separated from the driver's compartment.
Ensure vehicle driver is aware of the potential hazards of the load and knows what to do in the event of an accident or an emergency.
Before transporting product containers:
- Ensure there is adequate ventilation.
- Ensure that containers are firmly secured.
- Ensure cylinder valve is closed and not leaking.
- Ensure valve outlet cap nut or plug (where provided) is correctly fitted.
- Ensure valve protection device (where provided) is correctly fitted.

14.6.1. Overland transport

Hazard identification number (Kemler No.) : 20
Classification code (UN) : 1A
Orange plates :



Special provision (ADR) : 274
Transport category (ADR) : 3
Tunnel restriction code : E
Limited quantities (ADR) : 120ml
Excepted quantities (ADR) : E1

14.6.2. Transport by sea

No additional information available

14.6.3. Air transport

No additional information available

14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code



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No additional information available

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

EU-Regulations

No REACH Annex XVII restrictions

Contains no REACH candidate substance

Seveso directive 96/82/EC : Not covered.

National regulations

National legislation : Ensure all national/local regulations are observed.

Water hazard class (WGK) : -

15.2. Chemical safety assessment

A CSA does not need to be carried out for this product.

SECTION 16: Other information

- Indication of changes : Revised safety data sheet in accordance with commission regulation (EU) No 453/2010.
- Training advice : Receptacle under pressure.
- Other information : This Safety Data Sheet has been established in accordance with the applicable European Union legislation. Classification in accordance with calculation methods of regulation (EC) 1272/2008 CLP / (EC) 1999/45 DPD.

Full text of R-, H- and EUH-phrases:

Compressed gas	Gases under pressure Compressed gas
H280	Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated

- DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY : Before using this product in any new process or experiment, a thorough material compatibility and safety study should be carried out.
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