

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

### 1.1 Product identifier

<b>Product Name</b>	<b>Gasil GM2</b>
	<b>Synthetic amorphous silica</b>
CAS No.	112926-00-8
EINECS No.	231-545-4
REACH Registration No.	

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

Identified use(s)	Additive for use in a wide range of applications including polymers, paper, paints and coatings. Ink adsorption ; Matting agent ; Process regulator or aid ; See also Annex to the extended Safety Data Sheet.
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Uses advised against	None known.
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### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company Identification	PQ Corporation P.O. Box 840 Valley Forge PA 19482 USA
Telephone:	+1 610-651-4200
E-Mail (competent person)	sds.uk@pqcorp.com

### 1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency Phone No.	+1 800-424-9300
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## SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

<b>GHS Classification</b>	Not classified as dangerous for supply/use.
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<b>EC Classification</b>	Not classified as dangerous for supply/use.
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<b>Hazards summary</b>	Exposure to any kind of dust is potentially harmful.
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### 2.2 Label elements

Hazard pictogram(s)	
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Signal word(s)	None.
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Hazard statement(s)	None.
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Precautionary statement(s)	None.
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<b>EC Classification</b>	Not classified as dangerous for supply/use.
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Hazard Symbol	
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Risk Phrases	Not applicable.
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## Safety Phrases

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practices.  
Avoid inhalation of dusts.

## 2.3 Other hazards

Not applicable.

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

Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 (CLP)

Ingredient(s)	%W/W	CAS No.	EINECS No. / REACH Registration	Hazard symbol(s) and hazard statement(s)
Synthetic amorphous silica	95 %	112926-00-8	231-545-4 01-2119379499-16	Not classified
Water	5 %	7732-18-5	231-791-2	

### **SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

#### **4.1 Description of first aid measures**

Eye Contact	If substance has got into the eyes, immediately wash out with plenty of water. Obtain immediate medical attention.
Skin Contact	Wash affected skin with plenty of water. If symptoms develop, obtain medical attention.
Inhalation	Remove patient from exposure, keep warm and at rest. If symptoms develop, obtain medical attention.
Ingestion	Do not induce vomiting. Wash out mouth with water. If large amount swallowed or symptoms develop obtain medical attention.

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

Exposure to any kind of dust is potentially harmful.

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

See Section: 4.1

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

#### **5.1 Extinguishing media**

Suitable Extinguishing Media Compatible with all standard fire fighting techniques.

Unsuitable extinguishing Media None known.

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

Not applicable. Inorganic powder or granules. Non-combustible.

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

None.

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

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

Wear suitable protective clothing. Wear eye/face protection.  
An approved dust mask should be worn if dust is generated during handling.

#### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Synthetic amorphous silica is virtually inert and has no known adverse effect on the environment.

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

Contain spillages. Dampening with water can reduce dust.  
Sweep or preferably vacuum up and collect in suitable containers for recovery or disposal.

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

See Also Section 8.

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

- 7.1 Precautions for safe handling** Avoid generation of dust.  
 A considerable static electrical charge can be built up during mechanical handling which may become a hazard in atmospheres containing flammable vapours. Advice on the control of static is given in British Standard BS 5958. Advice on the control of static is given in British Standard BS 5958. See Also Section 8.
- 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities** Keep container tightly closed and dry.
- 7.3 Specific end use(s)** See also Annex to the extended Safety Data Sheet.

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

### **8.1 Control parameters**

SUBSTANCE.	Occupational Exposure Limits
Synthetic amorphous silica	UK EH40: Silica amorphous Total inhalable dust: WEL 6 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8h TWA. Respirable dust: WEL 2.4 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8h TWA.  US ACGIH: Silica, Amorphous - Precipitated silica and silica gel: TLV withdrawn 2006 US OSHA: Silica amorphous - Precipitated silica: PEL 6mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8h TWA

- 8.2 Exposure controls** Wear protective equipment to comply with good occupational hygiene practice. Do not eat, drink or smoke at the work place.
- 8.2.1 Appropriate engineering controls** Engineering methods to prevent or control exposure are preferred. Methods include process or personnel enclosure, mechanical ventilation (dilution and local exhaust), and control of process conditions.
- 8.2.2 Personal Protection**
- Respiratory protection Avoid inhalation of dusts. Wear suitable respiratory protective equipment if working in confined spaces with inadequate ventilation or where there is any risk of the exposure limits being exceeded. Advice on respiratory protective equipment is given in the HSE (Health and Safety Executive) publication HS(G)53.
- Eye/face protection Safety spectacles. Eye protection with side protection (EN 166) .
- Skin protection Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves. Plastic or rubber gloves. For example EN374-3. Wear suitable overalls.
- 8.2.3 Environmental Exposure Controls** Avoid generation of dust.

## **SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

### **9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

Appearance	Powder. White.
Odour	Odourless.
Odour Threshold (ppm)	Not applicable.
pH (Value)	2 - 9 at 5% w/w in water.
Freezing Point (°C)	Not applicable.
Melting Point (°C)	> 1000
Boiling Point (°C)	Not applicable.
Flash Point (°C) [Closed cup]	Not applicable.
Evaporation rate	Not applicable.
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not applicable.
Explosive Limit Ranges	Not applicable.
Vapour Pressure (mm Hg)	Not applicable.

Vapour Density (Air=1)	Not applicable.
Density (g/ml)	No data.
Solubility (Water)	Insoluble.
Solubility (Other)	No data.
Partition Coefficient	No data.
Auto Ignition Point (°C)	Not applicable.
Decomposition Temperature (°C)	Not applicable.
Viscosity (mPa. s)	Not applicable.
Explosive properties	Not applicable.
Oxidising Properties	Not applicable.
<b>9.2 Other information</b>	No data.

## **SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

<b>10.1 Reactivity</b>	See Section: 10.3
<b>10.2 Chemical stability</b>	This product is hygroscopic.
<b>10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions</b>	None known.
<b>10.4 Conditions to avoid</b>	See Section: 10.3
<b>10.5 Incompatible materials</b>	See Section: 10.3
<b>10.6 Hazardous decomposition product(s)</b>	None known.

## **SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### **11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

#### **Acute toxicity**

Ingestion	The lethal dose for humans for synthetic amorphous silica is estimated at over 15000 mg/kg bw.
Inhalation	Synthetic amorphous silica is a permitted food additive in the UK, US and many other countries. Oral LD50 (rat) >3100 mg/kg bw Synthetic amorphous silica has little adverse effect on lungs and does not produce significant disease or toxic effect when exposure is kept below the permitted limits. However, existing medical conditions (eg. asthma, bronchitis) may be aggravated by exposure to dust. Effects of dust may be greater, and occur at lower levels of exposure in smokers compared to non-smokers.
Skin Contact	Dust may have a drying effect on the skin. Dermal LD50 (rabbit) >5000 mg/kg bw
Eye Contact	Dust may cause discomfort and mild irritation.
<b>Skin corrosion/irritation</b>	Non-irritant. Dust may have a drying effect on the skin.
<b>Serious eye damage/irritation</b>	Non-irritant.
<b>Sensitisation</b>	Not sensitising.
<b>Mutagenicity</b>	No evidence of genotoxicity. In vitro/in vivo negative.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	IARC assessment: Amorphous silica is not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans (Group 3).
<b>Reproductive toxicity</b>	No evidence of reproductive toxicity or developmental toxicity.
<b>STOT - single exposure</b>	Not classified
<b>STOT - repeated exposure</b>	Not classified. NOAEL oral (rat) >4000 mg/kg bw/d
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>	Not classified
<b>Other information</b>	Not applicable

## **SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

<b>12.1 Toxicity</b>	Synthetic amorphous silica is virtually inert and has no known adverse effect on the environment. Fish (Brachydanio rerio) LL50 (96 hour) >10000 mg/l Aquatic invertebrates: (Daphnia magna) EL50 (24 hour) >10000 mg/l
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<b>12.2 Persistence and degradability</b>	Inorganic.
<b>12.3 Bioaccumulative potential</b>	Inorganic. The substance has no potential for bioaccumulation.
<b>12.4 Mobility in soil</b>	Not applicable.
<b>12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment</b>	Not classified as PBT or vPvB.
<b>12.6 Other adverse effects</b>	None.

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

<b>13.1 Waste treatment methods</b>	Disposal should be in accordance with local, state or national legislation. This product normally causes no problems in sewage treatment works, where it settles with the sewage sludge. This material is not classified as hazardous waste under EC Directive 2008/98/EC (and amendments). This material is not classified as hazardous waste under the Hazardous Waste (England and Wales) Regulations SI 2005 No. 894. This material is not classified as hazardous waste under the Hazardous Waste (England and Wales) Regulations SI 2005 No. 894. May be disposed of by landfill in accordance with local regulations.
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### **SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

<b>14.1 UN number</b>	Not classified as dangerous for transport.
<b>14.2 Proper Shipping Name</b>	Not applicable.
<b>14.3 Transport hazard class(es)</b>	Not applicable.
<b>14.4 Packing group</b>	Not applicable.
<b>14.5 Environmental hazards</b>	Not applicable.
<b>14.6 Special precautions for user</b>	None. No special packaging requirements.
<b>14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code</b>	Not applicable.

### **SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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

TSCA Inventory Status: Reported/Included. CAS No. 7631-86-9

AICS Inventory Status: Reported/Included.

DSL/NDSL Inventory Status: Reported/Included.

German Water Hazard Classification VwVwS: Product ID number 849, not hazardous to water - nwg.

<b>15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment</b>	Information available on request.
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### **SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

Data referenced in this eSDS is from company-owned information and from data legitimately accessed by PQ Corporation through membership of Industry Consortia or other agreements. This includes data relating to toxicology, ecotoxicology, DNELs, PNECs and other information in this eSDS and its annex.

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EC Classification No. 67/548/EEC Not classified as dangerous for supply/use.

Hazard Symbol	
Risk Phrases	Not applicable.
Safety Phrases	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practices. Avoid inhalation of dusts.
GHS Classification	Not classified as dangerous for supply/use.
Signal word(s)	None.
Hazard pictogram(s)	
Hazard statement(s)	None.
Precautionary statement(s)	None.

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