

## Astaxanthin (technical grade)

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### 1. Product and Company Identification

**Product Code:** 10012440  
**Product Name:** Astaxanthin (technical grade)  
**Manufacturer Information**  
**Company Name:** Cayman Chemical Company  
**Emergency Contact:** Cayman Chemical Company (800)364-9897  
**Information:** Cayman Chemical Company (734)971-3335  
**Synonyms:** 3S,3'S-dihydroxy- $\beta$ , $\beta$ -carotene-4,4'-dione; Ovoester; NatuRose; Lucantin Pink; Carophyll Pink; BioAstin; AstaXin; AstaREAL

### 2. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Hazardous Components (Chemical Name)	CAS #	Concentration	OSHA PEL	ACGIH TLV
1. Astaxanthin	472-61-7	100.0 %	No data.	No data.

### 3. Hazards Identification

**Emergency Overview:** No data available.  
**Route(s) of Entry:** Inhalation? Yes Skin? Yes Eyes? Yes Ingestion? Yes Other: Injection  
**Potential Health Effects (Acute and Chronic):** Material may be irritating to the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.  
May be harmful by inhalation, ingestion, or skin absorption.  
May cause eye, skin, or respiratory system irritation.  
The toxicological properties of this compound have not been fully evaluated.  
**Signs and Symptoms Of Exposure:** No data available.

### 4. First Aid Measures

**Emergency and First Aid Procedures:** If inhaled remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration or give oxygen by trained personnel. Get immediate medical attention.  
If swallowed, wash out mouth with water provided person is conscious. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention. Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel.  
In case of contact with eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush eyes with plenty of water. After initial flushings, remove any contact lenses and continue flushing for at least 20 minutes. Have eyes examined and tested by medical personnel.  
In case of skin contact, immediately wash skin with soap and plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing. Get medical attention if symptoms occur. Wash clothing before reuse.

### 5. Fire Fighting Measures

**Flash Pt:** No data.  
**Explosive Limits:** LEL: No data. UEL: No data.  
**Fire Fighting Instructions:** As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand (MSHA/NIOSH approved or equivalent), and full protective gear to prevent contact with skin and eyes.  
**Flammable Properties and Hazards:** No data available.  
**Extinguishing Media:** Use alcohol-resistant foam, carbon dioxide, water, or dry chemical spray when fighting fires involving this material.  
**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media:** No data available.

### 6. Accidental Release Measures

**Steps To Be Taken In Case Material Is Released Or Spilled:**

Wear a NIOSH/MSHA approved self-contained breathing apparatus and appropriate personal protection (rubber boots, safety goggles, and heavy rubber gloves).  
Vacuum or sweep up material and place in disposal container.  
Avoid raising dust.  
After removal, ventilate contaminated area and flush thoroughly with water.

### 7. Handling and Storage

**Hazard Label Information:**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not reuse this container. Use with adequate ventilation.  
Wash thoroughly after handling.

**Precautions To Be Taken in Handling:**

Avoid breathing (dust, vapor, mist, gas).  
Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing.  
Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.  
Do not reuse this container.  
Use with adequate ventilation.  
Wash thoroughly after handling.

**Precautions To Be Taken in Storing:**

Store at correct temperature.

### 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

**Protective Equipment Summary - Hazard Label Information:**

Eye wash station in work area Lab coat Compatible chemical-resistant gloves Safety glasses Safety shower in work area Vent Hood

**Respiratory Equipment (Specify Type):**

No data available.

**Eye Protection:**

Safety glasses

**Protective Gloves:**

Compatible chemical-resistant gloves

**Other Protective Clothing:**

Lab coat

**Engineering Controls (Ventilation etc.):**

Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to control airborne levels below recommended exposure limits.

**Work/Hygienic/Maintenance Practices:**

Do not take internally.  
Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower.  
Wash thoroughly after handling.

### 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical States:**

☐ Gas ☐ Liquid ☒ Solid

**Melting Point:**

No data.

**Boiling Point:**

No data.

**Autoignition Pt:**

No data.

**Flash Pt:**

No data.

**Explosive Limits:**

LEL: No data. UEL: No data.

**Specific Gravity (Water = 1):**

No data.

**Bulk density:**

No data.

**Vapor Pressure (vs. Air or mm Hg):**

No data.

**Vapor Density (vs. Air = 1):**

No data.

**Evaporation Rate (vs Butyl Acetate=1):**

No data.

**Solubility in Water:**

No data.

**Solubility Notes:**

Solubility approximately 6 mg/ml in chloroform. Solubility approximately 0.5 mg/ml in DMF.  
See product insert.

**Percent Volatile:**

No data.

**Heat Value:**

No data.

**Particle Size:**

No data.

**Corrosion Rate:**

No data.

**Formula:**

C40H52O4

**Molecular Weight:** 596.90  
**pH:** No data.  
**Appearance and Odor:** A crystalline solid

### 10. Stability and Reactivity

**Stability:** Unstable [ ] Stable [ X ]  
**Conditions To Avoid - Instability:** No data available.  
**Incompatibility - Materials To Avoid:** No data available.  
**Hazardous Decomposition Or Byproducts:** No data available.  
**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will occur [ ] Will not occur [ X ]  
**Conditions To Avoid - Hazardous Polymerization:** No data available.

### 11. Toxicological Information

**:** The toxicological effects of this compound have not been thoroughly studied.  
**Carcinogenicity/Other Information:** No data available.  
**Carcinogenicity:** NTP? No IARC Monographs? No OSHA Regulated? No

### 12. Ecological Information

**:** Runoff from fire control or dilution water may cause pollution.

### 13. Disposal Considerations

**Waste Disposal Method:** Dispose in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

### 14. Transport Information

#### LAND TRANSPORT (US DOT)

**DOT Proper Shipping Name** This substance is considered to be non-hazardous for transport.  
**Additional Transport Information:** Transport in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations.

### 15. Regulatory Information

#### US EPA SARA Title III

Hazardous Components (Chemical Name)	CAS #	Sec.302 (EHS)	Sec.304 RQ	Sec.313 (TRI)	Sec.110
1. Astaxanthin	472-61-7	No	No	No	

#### US EPA CAA, CWA, TSCA

Hazardous Components (Chemical Name)	CAS #	EPA CAA	EPA CWA NPDES	EPA TSCA	CA PROP 65
1. Astaxanthin	472-61-7	No		No	

### 16. Other Information

#### Company Policy or Disclaimer

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