

Eugene, OR 97403

# **Safety Data Sheet**

**Section 1: Identification** 

**Product Name:** Down To Earth Manufacturer: Down To Earth

> Granular Root Distributors, Inc.

Growth Enhancer **Physical Address:** 3030 Judkins Road

Common Name(s): N/A

**Product Code:** 

N/A

**Mailing Address:** PO Box 1419 **CAS #:** N/A

Eugene, OR 97440

Recommended Use: Inoculant **Telephone Number:** 541-485-5932

**Restrictions:** N/A **Emergency #:** 800-234-5932

#### Section 2: Hazard Identification

**Hazard Group:** Health

**Hazard Classes:** Category 1A

#### **Hazard Statements**

H335: May cause respiratory irritation

H350: May cause cancer by inhalation Health Hazard

H372: Causes damage to lungs through prolonged or repeated exposure by inhalation

### **Precautionary Statements**

#### Prevention

P202: Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

P260: Do not breathe dust

P264: Wash skin thoroughly after handling

P280: Use a particle mask and nitrile gloves under normal conditions

#### Response

P302: If on skin: wash with plenty of soap and water

P304: If inhaled: remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

P305: If in eyes: rinse cautiously with water for several minutes

P333: If skin irritation or rash occurs, wash area thoroughly and receive medical attention

### Storage

P402: Store in a dry place. Avoid excessive humidity or moisture.

#### **Disposal**

P501: Dispose of contents in a compost pile, garden, or landfill in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations.

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### **Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients**

#### **Ingredients**

<b>Chemical Name</b>	Common name/Synonyms	<b>CAS Number</b>	%
Silica Hydrated (Amorphous Opaline Silica)		7631-86-9	25 - 50
Quartz (Respirable <0.1%)		14808-60-7	< 1
Other Ingredients – Non-Hazardous		Proprietary*	25 - 50
Trade Secret		Proprietary*	< 4

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates that a specific chemical identity and/or percentage of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.

#### Section 4: First-Aid Measures

**Inhalation:** Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If respiratory distress

continues, seek medical attention.

**Skin Irritation:** Wash with plenty of soap and water. If irritation persists, seek medical attention.

Eye: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. If irritation persists, seek medical

attention.

If gastrointestinal distress occurs, seek medical attention. **Ingestion:** 

Allergen: This product may cause an allergic reaction. If an allergic reaction occurs, seek medical

attention immediately.

# **Section 5: Fire-Fighting Measures**

**Suitable Extinguishing Media:** Water, regular foam, carbon dioxide, dry chemical

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media:** None **Flash Point:** N/A **Specific Fire-Related Hazards:** None **Special Fire-Fighting Procedures:** None **Unusual Fire/Explosion Hazards:** None

#### Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

**Personal Precautions:** Wear a particle mask and nitrile gloves during handling

**Environmental Precautions:** None

**Methods for Handling Spills:** In case of spill: handle using nitrile gloves and wear a particle mask.

Employ best-practice sanitation methods for clean-up. Utilize a vacuum or sweep the product with a broom and dispose in a garbage receptacle.

There are no special emergency procedures for clean-up.

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### **Section 7: Handling and Storage**

Safe Handling: Avoid breathing dust. Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace. Wear

gloves and a particle mask when handling and transporting. Avoid excessive humidity, contact with moisture, and extreme temperatures to retain product functionality. There

are no known incompatibilities with this material.

**Storage:** Store in a dry area. Keep container tightly sealed.

### **Section 8: Exposure Control/Personal Protection**

### **Occupational Exposure Limits:**

Components	Type	Value
Silica Hydrated (Amorphous Opaline Silica)	TWA OSHA PEL	80 mg/m3 % SiO2
Quartz (Crystalline Silica – respirable <1%)	TWA OSHA	30 mg/m3 % SiO2 (total dust)
	TWA OSHA PEL	10 mg/m3 % SiO2
	TWA ACGIH TLV	0.025 mg/m3 (respirable dust)

#### **Recommended PPE and Handling Practices**

Respiratory: Particle mask/Respirator

Skin Protection: Nitrile gloves
Eye Protection: Safety glasses

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Hygiene: Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water

<u>Ventilation:</u> Ensure workspace is well-ventilated







Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Brown to tan granular **Appearance: Melting Point:** N/A solids and fines N/A **Freezing Point:** Flammability Limits: N/A **Solubility in Water:** Insoluble Odor: No odor **Initial Boiling Point:** N/A **Odor Threshold:** N/A **Boiling Range:** N/A N/A **Flash Point:** N/A **Vapor Pressure: Vapor Density:** N/A N/A **Evaporation Rate:** 

**pH:** 6.3-6.8 **Flammability:** Not flammable

**Relative Density:** 30-35 lb/ft<sup>3</sup> **Viscosity:** N/A

### Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

**Reactivity:** No specific test data is currently available

**Chemical Stability:** Product is stable under normal temperatures and conditions

**Conditions to Avoid:** Extreme temperatures and excessive moisture

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**Required Stabilizers:** None

**Incompatibility:** None currently known **Hazardous Decomposition:** None currently known

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur

**Hazardous Reactions:** None currently known

### **Section 11: Toxicological Information**

**Primary Routes of Exposure:** Inhalation, skin contact, and eye contact

**Symptoms of Exposure:** May act as a slight irritant to the skin or respiratory system. Slight

> dermatitis may occur. Mild respiratory irritation and cough may occur. Rash and swelling may occur in skin. Mild respiratory distress and

frequent coughing may occur.

LD50: Currently unknown.

Carcinogenicity: The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), in

> Monograph100C has concluded that crystalline silica inhaled in the form of quartz is carcinogenic to humans (Group1). Carcinogenicity may be dependent on inherent characteristics of the crystalline silica or on external factors affecting its biological activity or distribution of its polymorphs. The National Toxicology Program (NTP) classifies

crystalline silica as a known carcinogen. Applications and exposure data indicate that exposure to respirable quartz in this product with normal use is well below the OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL) and ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TLV). The manufacturer is not aware of

any scientific or medical data available indicating that exposure to

respirable crystalline silica from this product under conditions of normal use will cause silicosis or cancer. Adverse effects would not be expected

from normal use of this product.

**Reproductive Toxicity:** Currently unknown.

**Repeat Dose Toxicity:** No toxicity data available. Inhalation of excessive concentrations of any

> dust, including this material, may lead to lung injury. This product contains <0.1% respirable crystalline silica. Excessive inhalation of respirable crystalline silica may cause silicosis, a progressive, disabling

and fatal disease of the lung. Symptoms may include cough, shortness of

breath, wheezing and reduced pulmonary function.

Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure: Allergic reaction may occur

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### **Section 12: Ecological Information**

**Ecology:** Currently unknown

**Ecological Effects:** There are no known ecological effects

**Toxicity Testing:** Currently unknown **Bioaccumulation Potential:** Currently unknown

# **Section 13: Disposal Considerations**

**Disposal Containers:** There are no known restrictions on disposal containers

**Disposal Methods:** Recommended disposal is use as biological inoculant in a compost pile,

> garden, or other plant-based ecosystem. Alternatively, product may be disposed of in a landfill in accordance with local, state, and federal

regulations.

**Disposal Restrictions:** Do not dispose through sewage systems. Do not burn as a method of

disposal.

### **Section 14: Transport Information**

**UN Number:** None assigned **UN Proper Shipping Name:** None assigned **Transport Hazard Class:** Non-hazardous **Environmental Hazards:** None known

Guidance on Bulk Transport: Use best known practices when shipping in bulk

**Special Precautions:** None known

#### **Section 15: Regulatory Information**

**CERCLA/Superfund:** None

**SARA Hazard:** Chronic Health

**Category (311/312)** 

**SARA 313:** None

TSCA: Components of this product are listed on the EPA TSCA Inventory or

exempt from notification requirements.

California Prop 65: This product contains respirable crystalline silica which is known to the

state of California to cause cancer.

**EINECS:** Components of this product are listed in the EINECS Inventory or

exempt from notification requirements.

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**EEC R&S Phrases:** Xn Harmful, R48/20 Harmful: Danger of serious damage to health by

prolonged exposure by inhalation; S22 Do not breathe dust; S38 In case

of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respirator equipment.

### **Section 16: Other Information**

The information provided in this Safety Data Sheet is correct to the best of our knowledge at the date of its publication. The information given is designed only as guidance for safe handling, use, processing, storage, transportation, disposal, and release and is not to be considered a warranty or quality specification. The information relates only to the specific material designated and may not be valid for such material used in combination with any other materials or in any process, unless specified in the text.

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