



Construction  
Industry

**Lohtragon**®

Crystallizing Solutions

## Info Sheet Lohtragon®

### Construction Industry – Chromate Reducing Agent

Construction chemicals are used with building materials such as cement and gypsum in order to optimize these formulations. The Lohtragon® metal salt range focuses on the following applications for the construction industry:

- ◆ Admixtures for cement (accelerators and retarders)
- ◆ Chromate reducing agents
- ◆ Retarders and crystal morphology modifiers for gypsum

Lohtragon® Info Sheets are available for each of these topics. Please get in touch with us for further details or discussing your individual challenge.

### Chromate Reducing Agent for Cement

The elimination of chromate to the lowest level possible is a major target in the cement industry because of its Health, Safety and Environmental (HSE) relevance.

Hexavalent Chromium compounds (Cr(VI)) are classified as toxic, carcinogenic, and allergic so that their use is restricted by regulatory authorities. Cement materials (clay, limestone, Iron additives; e.g. in Portland cement) contain – amongst others – the trace element as hexavalent Chromium (Cr(VI)).

One way of eliminating HSE risks is to chemically convert the hexavalent Chromium (Cr(VI)) into trivalent Chromium (Cr(III)) which does not have a hazardous classification. This chemical reaction – the reduction from Cr(VI) to Cr(III) – should be done as complete as possible with the target to have no remaining Cr(VI) in the cement and without technical side effect on the cement and its final properties.

### Lohtragon® Product Selector

Lohtragon® contributes to the requirements of the cement industry with specific products:

- ◆ Lohtragon® V01 | Type 703
- ◆ Lohtragon® V04 | Type 131

### Features & Benefits

You benefit from using the Lohtragon® V01 by significantly improved HSE aspects while keeping the technical properties of the cement unchanged. In addition, you can establish an efficient process by using the aqueous solution, which allows energy saving processing, easy handling and exact dosing.

Key features and benefits of Lohtragon® V01:

- ◆ Ready-to-use liquid form
- ◆ Stabilized against premature oxidation and loss of functionality
- ◆ Stabilized aqueous solution shows a long retest period
- ◆ More homogenous distribution as spray on liquids in comparison to powders
- ◆ High reduction potential to ensure the maximum conversion of Cr(VI) into Cr(III)
- ◆ No side reaction with the cement or additives

In case your process requires a solid form of such reducing agent: we offer Lohtragon® V04 crystals in paper bags and fiber drums.

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### Application Notes

- ◆ Various cements can have 30 ppm and more of Cr(VI), therefore analytical verification of water soluble Cr(VI) level is necessary to adjust exact dosage
- ◆ The following values are recommendations for 1mg soluble Cr(VI) which need to be verified depending on the type of cement, amount of Cr(VI) and process
- ◆ An overdosage of 5-30 times more than the stoichiometric minimum is mandatory due to unavoidable side reactions of Fe(II)
- ◆ **Lohtragon® V01** (Ferrous Sulfate Solution):  
1 ml Lohtragon® V01 / kg cement for 1 mg of Cr(VI), (stoichiometric min. 0.04 ml)
- ◆ **Lohtragon® V04** (Ferrous Sulfate 7-hydrate):  
130 mg Lohtragon® V04 / kg cement for 1 mg of Cr(VI) (stoichiometric min. 16 mg)

### Product Description

Lohtragon® V01	
<b>Product name</b>	Lohtragon® V01   Type 703
<b>Product number</b>	522001002
<b>Used substance</b>	Ferrous Sulfate Solution
<b>Metal content</b>	approx. 7.5 % Fe(II)
<b>Appearance</b>	solution
<b>Color</b>	green - olive-green*
<b>pH</b>	2.0 – 2.5 (as is)
<b>Chloride (Cl)</b>	max. 0.1 %
<b>Density (20°C)</b>	approx. 1.2 g/ml
<b>Retest period</b>	12 months
<b>Packaging</b>	IBC (1,000 kg)

\*The discoloration from green to olive-green during storage does not influence the effectiveness of the chromate reducer.

Lohtragon® V04*	
<b>Product name</b>	Lohtragon® V04   Type 131
<b>Product number</b>	522004002
<b>Used substance</b>	Ferrous Sulfate 7-hydrate
<b>Assay FeSO<sub>4</sub>*7H<sub>2</sub>O</b>	98.0 – 105.0 %
<b>Appearance</b>	crystals
<b>Color</b>	bluish-green
<b>Ferric iron (FeIII)</b>	max. 0.5 %
<b>Lead (Pb)</b>	max. 0.003 %
<b>Copper (Cu)</b>	max. 0.005 %
<b>Zinc (Zn)</b>	max. 0.05 %
<b>Retest period</b>	12 months
<b>Packaging</b>	Polylined paper bags of 25 kg net

\*Please store this material always below 25 °C.

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Dr. Paul Lohmann® supplies its specialty salts worldwide to customers in the pharmaceutical industry, food sector, food supplements, cosmetics and – under the Lohtragon® brand – to customers in industrial applications.

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