

Tellurium ${}_{52}\text{Te}^{127.60}$

Tellurium was discovered in 1783 by Baron Franz Joseph Müller von Reichenstein at Sibiu, Romania.

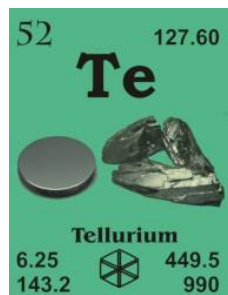
[Latin, tellus = earth]

French: tellure

German: tellur

Italian: tellurio

Spanish: teluro



Atomic number	52
Density in g/cm ³	6.25
Atomic radius in pm	123
Atomic weight	127.60
Melting point in °C	449.5
Boiling point in °C	990

Description: Tellurium is a silvery-white, metallic-looking in bulk, but is usually obtained as a dark grey powder. It is a semi-metal. Tellurium burns in air or oxygen, is unaffected by water or HCl, but dissolves in HNO₃. It is used in alloys to improve machinability, in electronics, and in catalysts.

TELLURIUM SINGLE CRYSTAL PROPERTIES

State:	Single crystal
Crystal structure:	Hexagonal
Production method:	Czochralski
Standard size:	diameter 10mm thickness 1-2mm
Orientation:	(0001), (1100) and (11-20)
Orientation accuracy:	<2°, <1°, <0.4° or <0.25°
Polishing:	as cut, one or two sides polished
Roughness of surface:	<0.03µm
Purity:	99.999%
	C 3
	H < 1
	O 9
	N < 5
	Cu 1.60
	Fe 1.80
	Ni < 1
	Pb 0.30
	Si 0.30
	Ga, Hf and Ta are below the detection limit
Density:	6.24 g/cm ³
Melting point:	449.55 °C / 722.7 °K
Boiling point:	989.85 °C / 1263.0 °K
Molar volume:	20.45 cm ³
Thermal conductivity:	2.35 [300 K] Wm ⁻¹ K ⁻¹

Typical analysis (ppm):

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Coefficient of linear thermal expansion:	16.75 x 10 ⁻⁶ K ⁻¹
Electrical resistivity:	4.36x 10 ⁻³ [298 K] Wm
Mass magnetic susceptibility:	-3.9 x 10 ⁻⁹ (s) kg ⁻¹ m ³
Young's modulus:	47.1 GPa
Rigidity modulus:	16.7 GPa
Bulk modulus:	n.a. GPa
Poisson's ratio:	0.16 - 0.3
Radii:	Te ³⁺ 56; Te ⁴⁺ 97; Te ²⁻ 211; atomic 143; covalent 1
Electronegativity:	2.1 (Pauling); 2.01 (Allred); 5.49 eV (absolute)
Effective nuclear charge:	6.95 (Slater); 10.81 (Clementi); 13.51 (Froese-Fischer)
Number of Isotopes (incl. nuclear isomers):	39
Isotope mass range:	108 -> 137
Crystal structure, (cell dimensions / pm), space group	Hexagonal
X-ray diffraction: mass absorption coefficients:	CuK α 282 (μ/r) / cm ² g ⁻¹ MoK α 35.0 (μ/r) / cm ² g ⁻¹
Neutron scattering length:	0.580 b/10 ⁻¹² cm
Thermal neutron capture cross-section:	4.7 sa / barns

