>>**Entry Name: Mercury(*II*) selenide (HgSe)**

CAS Registry Number: 20601-83-6

HgSe

Molecular Formula: HgSe
Molecular Weight: 279.55
Accurate Mass: 281.887137
Percentage Composition: Hg 71.75%; Se 28.25%

cinnabar-type → NaCl-type → body centred tetragonal
Source/Synthesis: Synth. from elements or dil. $HgCl_2$ + H_2Se
Physical Description: Grey black solid (subl. material is violet-black)
Melting Point: Mp 790°
Boiling Point: Subl. 600°
Solubility: Insol. H_2O; sol. $[NH_4]SeH$ to give red soln.
Other Data: Semi-metal at 1 atm.; high pressure phase is superconductive

Aldrich: 40071-8

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