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Actinolite Asbestos

National Cancer Institute

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A naturally occurring, bright green, fibrous amphibole asbestos mineral found in metamorphic rocks and as a contaminant in amosite asbestos. Chronic inhalation of its dust may cause asbestosis and increases the risk of respiratory tract cancer, mesothelioma and other lung cancers. Actinolite asbestos is a known human carcinogen. (NCI05)