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Step 1. Write the balanced chemical equation.



Step 2. Determine the moles of SiCl₄.

$$n_{\text{SiCl}_4} = \frac{100 \text{ g}}{165.8 \text{ g/mol}} = 0.603 \text{ moles}$$

Step 3. Based on the mole ratio, determine the mass of Mg. We need two moles of Mg for each Mole of SiCl₄.

$$m_{\text{Mg}} = (1.26 \text{ mol}) \left(24.3 \frac{\text{gm}}{\text{mol}} \right) = 30.6 \text{ gm}$$

The minimum mass of Mg is 30.6 grams.