



SIGMA-ALDRICH

## Material Safety Data Sheet

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### Section 1 - Product and Company Information

**Product Name** Gadolinium(III) chloride hexahydrate, 99% titration  
**Product Number** G7532  
**Brand** Sigma Chemical

**Company** Sigma-Aldrich  
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**City, State, Zip, Country** SAINT LOUIS, MO 63103 US  
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### Section 2 - Composition/Information on Ingredient

<u>Substance Name</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>SARA 313</u>	<u>EC no</u>	<u>Annex I Index Number</u>
GADOLINIUM(III) CHLORIDE HEXAHYDRATE	13450-84-5	No	233-386-6	

**Formula** GdCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O  
**Synonyms** Gadolinium chloride (GdCl<sub>3</sub>), hexahydrate (8Cl,9Cl, Gadolinium trichloride hexahydrate)

### Section 3 - Hazards Identification

**Emergency Overview**  
Irritant.  
Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

**HMIS Rating**  
Health: 1 Flammability: 0 Reactivity: 1

**NFPA Rating**  
Health: 1 Flammability: 0 Reactivity: 1

For additional information on toxicity, please refer to Section 11.

### Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Oral Exposure**  
If swallowed, wash out mouth with water provided person is conscious. Call a physician.

**Inhalation Exposure**  
If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.

**Dermal Exposure**  
In case of contact, immediately wash skin with soap and copious amounts of water.

**Eye Exposure**  
In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes.

### Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**Autoignition Temp:** N/A

**Extinguishing Media**

**Suitable**

Water spray, Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, or appropriate foam.

**Firefighting**

**Protective Equipment**

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes.

**Specific Hazard(s)**

Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions.

### Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**Procedure(s) of Personal Precaution(s)**

Wear respirator, chemical safety goggles, rubber boots, and heavy rubber gloves.

**Methods for Cleaning Up**

Sweep up, place in a bag and hold for waste disposal. Avoid raising dust. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete.

### Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Handling**

**User Exposure**

Do not breathe dust. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

**Storage**

**Suitable**

Keep tightly closed.

### Section 8 - Exposure Controls / PPE

**Engineering Controls**

Safety shower and eye bath. Mechanical exhaust required.

**Personal Protective Equipment**

**Respiratory**

Government approved respirator.

**Hand**

Compatible chemical-resistant gloves.

**Eye**

Chemical safety goggles.

**General Hygiene Measures**

Wash thoroughly after handling.

### Section 9 - Physical/Chemical Properties

**Appearance**

**Physical State**

Solid

**Color**

Faintly grey

Molecular Weight: 371.7 AMU

pH N/A  
BP/BP Range N/A  
MP/MP Range N/A  
Freezing Point N/A  
Vapor Pressure N/A  
Vapor Density N/A  
Saturated Vapor Conc. N/A  
SG/Density 2.42 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
Bulk Density N/A  
Odor Threshold N/A  
Volatile% N/A  
VOC Content N/A  
Water Content N/A  
Solvent Content N/A  
Evaporation Rate N/A  
Viscosity N/A  
Partition Coefficient N/A  
Decomposition Temp. N/A  
Flash Point °F N/A  
Flash Point °C N/A  
Explosion Limits N/A  
  
Flammability N/A  
Autoignition Temp N/A  
Solubility N/A

N/A = not available

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

### Stability

#### Conditions of Instability

Moisture sensitive.

#### Conditions to Avoid

Protect from moisture.

#### Materials to Avoid

Strong bases.

### Hazardous Decomposition Products

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Hydrogen chloride gas.

### Hazardous Polymerization

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Will not occur.

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### Route of Exposure

#### Skin Contact

Causes skin irritation.

#### Skin Absorption

May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.

#### Eye Contact

Causes eye irritation.

#### Inhalation

Material is irritating to mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract. May be harmful if inhaled.

### Ingestion

May be harmful if swallowed.

### Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

RTECS Number: LW4050000

### Toxicity Data

Intraperitoneal - Mouse: 669 MG/KG (LD50)

Intravenous - Mouse: 100 MG/KG (LD50)

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

No data available.

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

### Appropriate Method of Disposal of Substance or Preparation

Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

### DOT

Proper Shipping Name: None

Non-Hazardous for Transport: This substance is considered to be non-hazardous for transport.

### IATA

Non-Hazardous for Air Transport: Non-hazardous for air transport.

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

### EU Additional Classification

Symbol of Danger: Xi

Indication of Danger

Irritant.

Risk Statements R: 36/37/38

Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

Safety Statements S: 26 36

In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Wear suitable protective clothing.

### US Classification and Label Text

Indication of Danger

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Risk Statements

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Safety Statements

In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Wear suitable protective clothing.

### United States Regulatory Information

SARA Listed: No

### Canada Regulatory Information

#### WHMIS Classification

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the CPR, and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

DSL: No

NDSL: No

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## Section 16 - Other Information

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### Disclaimer

For R&D use only. Not for drug, household or other uses.

### Warranty

The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Sigma-Aldrich Inc., shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale. Copyright 2004 Sigma-Aldrich Co. License granted to make unlimited paper copies for internal use only.

