

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## Section I. Chemical Product and Company Identification

<b>Product Name</b>	Cerium Gadolinium Oxide
<b>Product Code</b>	GDC
<b>CAS Number</b>	Mixture
<b>Manufacturer's Name</b>	NexTech Materials, Ltd.
<b>Address</b>	404 Enterprise Drive Lewis Center, OH 43035
<b>Emergency Telephone Number</b>	1-800-424-9300 (Chemtrec)
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## Section II. Composition / Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS #	% (Optional)
Cerium (IV) oxide	1306-38-3	
Gadolinium oxide	12064-62-9	

## Section III. Hazards Identification

- ◆ Hazard description: Irritant
- ◆ Information pertaining to particular dangers for man and environment:  
Harmful if swallowed.  
May cause sensitization by skin contact.  
Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin, may cause burns

## Section IV. First Aid Measures

- ◆ After inhalation  
Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.  
Seek immediate medical advice.
- ◆ After skin contact  
Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.  
Seek immediate medical advice.
- ◆ After eye contact  
Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.
- ◆ After swallowing  
Seek immediate medical advice.

## Section V. Fire Fighting Measures

- **Suitable extinguishing agents**  
Product is not flammable. Use fire-fighting measures that suit the surrounding fire.
- **Protective equipment:**  
Wear self-contained respirator.  
Wear fully protective impervious suit.

## Section VI. Accidental Release Measures

- ◆ Person-related safety precautions:  
Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.
- ◆ Measures for environmental protection:  
Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.
- ◆ Measures for cleaning/collecting: Pick up mechanically.
- ◆ Additional information:  
See Section 7 for information on safe handling.  
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.  
See Section 13 for disposal information.

## Section VII. Handling and Storage

- ◆ Handling
- ◆ Information for safe handling:  
Keep container tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.  
No special precautions are necessary if used correctly.
- ◆ Information about protection against explosions and fires:  
This product is not flammable.
- ◆ Storage  
Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles: No special requirements.
- ◆ Information about storage in one common storage facility: Do not store with acids or oxidizing agents.
- ◆ Further information about storage conditions:  
This product is hygroscopic.  
Protect from carbon dioxide.  
Keep container tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

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### Section VIII. Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

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- ◆ Additional information about design of technical systems:  
Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.
- ◆ Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:

Component	Limit Values (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	
	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL
(None required)		

- ◆ Additional information: No data
- ◆ Personal protective equipment
- ◆ General protective and hygienic measures  
The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.  
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.  
Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.  
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.
- ◆ Breathing equipment:  
Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.
- ◆ Protection of hands: Impervious gloves
- ◆ Eye protection: Safety glasses
- ◆ Body protection: Protective work clothing

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### Section IX. Physical and Chemical Properties

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- ◆ Form: Powder
- ◆ Color: Light yellow
- ◆ Odor: Not determined
- ◆ Melting point/Melting range: Not determined
- ◆ Boiling point/Boiling range: Not determined
- ◆ Flash point: Not applicable
- ◆ Ignition temperature: Not determined
- ◆ Decomposition temperature: Not determined
- ◆ Danger of explosion: Product does not present an explosion hazard.
- ◆ Explosion limits:
- ◆ Lower: Not determined
- ◆ Upper: Not determined
- ◆ Vapor pressure: Not determined
- ◆ Density: Not determined
- ◆ Solubility in / Miscibility with
- ◆ Water: Not determined

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### Section X. Stability and Reactivity

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- ◆ Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:  
Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.
  - ◆ Materials to be avoided: acids, air, carbon dioxide, oxidizing agents
  - ◆ Dangerous reactions No dangerous reactions known
  - ◆ Dangerous products of decomposition: Metal oxide fume
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#### **Section XI. Toxicological Information**

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- ◆ Acute toxicity:  
LD/Lc50 values that are relevant for classification:  
Cerium (IV) oxide (CAS# 1306-38-3), 100%  
Oral: LD50: >5000 mg/kg (rat)  
Gadolinium oxide (CAS# 12064-62-9), 100%  
Oral: LD50: 5000 mg/kg (rat)
  - ◆ Irritation of eyes: mild: 100 mg (rbt)
  - ◆ Primary irritant effect:
    - ◆ on the skin: powder: irritant effect
    - ◆ on the eye: powder: irritant effect
  - ◆ Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known
  - ◆ Subacute to chronic toxicity:  
Cerium salts increase the blood coagulation rate. Exposure to cerium salts may increase sensitivity to heat, itching and skin lesions. Large doses to experimental animals have caused writhing, ataxia, labored respiration, sedation, hypotension and death by cardiovascular collapse.  
Lanthanons can cause delayed blood clotting leading to hemorrhages. Exposure may also lead to sensitivity to heat, itching, increased awareness of odor and taste, and liver damage.
  - ◆ Additional toxicological information:  
To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.  
No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.
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#### **Section XII. Environmental Information**

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- ◆ General notes:  
Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.
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#### **Section XIII. Disposal Information**

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- ◆ Product:  
Recommendation: Consult state, local or national regulations for proper disposal.
  - ◆ Uncleaned packagings:  
Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.
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#### **Section XIV. Transportation Information**

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Not a hazardous material for transportation.

- ◆ DOT regulations:  
Hazard class: None
  - ◆ Land transport ADR/RID (cross-border)  
ADR/RID class: None
  - ◆ Maritime transport IMDG:  
IMDG Class: None
  - ◆ Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:  
ICAO/IATA Class: None
  - ◆ Transport/Additional information:  
Not dangerous according to the above specifications.
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#### **Section XV. Regulatory Information**

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- ◆ Product related hazard information: observe the general safety regulations when handling chemicals.
- ◆ National regulations  
All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical Substance Inventory.
- ◆ Information about limitation of use:  
For use only by technically qualified individuals.

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**Section XVI. Other Information**

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Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

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All persons using this product, all persons working in an area where this product is used, and all persons handling this product should be familiar with the contents of this data sheet. This information should be effectively communicated to employees and others who might come in contact with the product.

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