

## SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

### 1.1. Product identifier

Product Description: Gold nanorods, dispersion in water  
Cat No. : 46331

### 1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.  
Uses advised against No Information available

### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

For information **US** call: 001-800-227-6701 / **Europe** call: +32 14 57 52 11  
Emergency Number **US**:001-201-796-7100 / **Europe**: +32 14 57 52 99  
**CHEMTREC** Tel. No. **US**:001-800-424-9300 / **Europe**:001-703-527-3887

## SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

#### CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567

##### **Physical hazards**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

##### **Health hazards**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

##### **Environmental hazards**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

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## 2.2. Label elements

None required

## 2.3. Other hazards

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.2. Mixtures

Component	CAS No	EC No	Weight %	CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567
Water	7732-18-5	231-791-2	99.96	-
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	57-09-0	EEC No. 200-311-3	0.03	Acute Tox. 4 (H302) Skin Irrit. 2 (H315) Eye Dam. 1 (H318) STOT SE 3 (H335) STOT RE 2 (H373) Aquatic Acute 1 (H400) Aquatic Chronic 1 (H410)
Gold	7440-57-5	EEC No. 231-165-9	0.01	-

Component	Specific concentration limits (SCL's)	M-Factor	Component notes
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	Skin Irrit. 2 : C ≥ 2.5 %	10	-

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.
Self-Protection of the First Aider	No special precautions required.

### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

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None reasonably foreseeable.

## 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

### Notes to Physician

Treat symptomatically.

## SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1. Extinguishing media

#### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Not combustible.

#### Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

### 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

None reasonably foreseeable.

#### Hazardous Combustion Products

Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), Hydrogen bromide, Ammonia.

### 5.3. Advice for firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

## SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required.

### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal.

### 6.4. Reference to other sections

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.

#### Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

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## 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Technical Rules for Hazardous Substances (TRGS) 510  
Storage Class (LGK) (Germany)

Class 12

## 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Use in laboratories

## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1. Control parameters

#### Exposure limits

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

#### Biological limit values

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

#### Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) / Derived Minimum Effect Level (DMEL)

See table for values

Component	Acute effects local (Dermal)	Acute effects systemic (Dermal)	Chronic effects local (Dermal)	Chronic effects systemic (Dermal)
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide 57-09-0 ( 0.03 )				DNEL = 0.4mg/kg bw/day

Component	Acute effects local (Inhalation)	Acute effects systemic (Inhalation)	Chronic effects local (Inhalation)	Chronic effects systemic (Inhalation)
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide 57-09-0 ( 0.03 )	DNEL = 0.05mg/m <sup>3</sup>			

#### Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

See values below.

Component	Fresh water	Fresh water sediment	Water Intermittent	Microorganisms in sewage treatment	Soil (Agriculture)
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide 57-09-0 ( 0.03 )	PNEC = 0.022µg/L		PNEC = 0.4µg/L	PNEC = 0.19mg/L	PNEC = 0.21mg/kg soil dw

Component	Marine water	Marine water sediment	Marine water intermittent	Food chain	Air
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide 57-09-0 ( 0.03 )	PNEC = 0.0022µg/L				

### 8.2. Exposure controls

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## Engineering Measures

None under normal use conditions.

## Personal protective equipment

### Eye Protection

Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) (European standard - EN 166)

### Hand Protection

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	EU standard	Glove comments
Natural rubber	See manufacturers	-	EN 374	(minimum requirement)
Nitrile rubber	recommendations			
Neoprene				
PVC				

### Skin and body protection

Long sleeved clothing.

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves.  
(Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

### Respiratory Protection

No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.

### Large scale/emergency use

Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 136 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced

**Recommended Filter type:** Particle filter

### Small scale/Laboratory use

Maintain adequate ventilation

### Environmental exposure controls

No information available.

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

#### Physical State

Liquid

#### Appearance

##### Odor

Odorless

##### Odor Threshold

No data available

##### Melting Point/Range

No data available

##### Softening Point

No data available

##### Boiling Point/Range

100 °C / 212 °F

##### Flammability (liquid)

No data available

##### Flammability (solid,gas)

Not applicable

Liquid

##### Explosion Limits

No data available

##### Flash Point

No information available

**Method -** No information available

##### Autoignition Temperature

No data available

##### Decomposition Temperature

No data available

##### pH

No information available

##### Viscosity

No data available

##### Water Solubility

Miscible

##### Solubility in other solvents

No information available

##### Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)

##### Component

**log Pow**

Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide3.2

##### Vapor Pressure

No data available

##### Density / Specific Gravity

No data available

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Bulk Density	Not applicable	Liquid
Vapor Density	No data available	(Air = 1.0)
Particle characteristics	Not applicable (liquid)	

## 9.2. Other information

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**10.1. Reactivity**  
None known, based on information available

**10.2. Chemical stability**  
Stable under normal conditions.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

**Hazardous Polymerization** No information available.  
**Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

**10.4. Conditions to avoid**  
Incompatible products. Excess heat.

**10.5. Incompatible materials**  
None known.

**10.6. Hazardous decomposition products**  
Nitrogen oxides (NOx). Hydrogen bromide. Ammonia.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1. Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

#### Product Information

(a) acute toxicity;  
Oral Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
Dermal No data available  
Inhalation No data available

#### Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Water	-	-	-
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	LD50 = 410 mg/kg ( Rat )	-	-

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; No data available

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;  
Respiratory No data available  
Skin No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available

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(f) carcinogenicity;	No data available There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product
(g) reproductive toxicity;	No data available
(h) STOT-single exposure;	No data available
(i) STOT-repeated exposure;	No data available
Target Organs	No information available.
(j) aspiration hazard;	No data available
Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed	No information available.

## 11.2. Information on other hazards

Endocrine Disrupting Properties	Assess endocrine disrupting properties for human health. This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.
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## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1. Toxicity

Ecotoxicity effects	Contains no substances known to be hazardous to the environment or that are not degradable in waste water treatment plants.
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Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide			EC50: = 0.09 mg/L, 96h (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata)

Component	Microtox	M-Factor
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	= 9.84 mg/L EC50 Photobacterium phosphoreum 5 min	10

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

Persistence	Miscible with water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.
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12.3. Bioaccumulative potential	Bioaccumulation is unlikely
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Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	3.2	No data available

12.4. Mobility in soil	The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility. Highly mobile in soils
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12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment	No data available for assessment.
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### 12.6. Endocrine disrupting properties

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**Endocrine Disruptor Information** This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

**12.7. Other adverse effects**

**Persistent Organic Pollutant**

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

**Ozone Depletion Potential**

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**13.1. Waste treatment methods**

**Waste from Residues/Unused Products**

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

**Contaminated Packaging**

Empty remaining contents. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Do not re-use empty containers.

**European Waste Catalogue (EWC)**

According to the European Waste Catalog, Waste Codes are not product specific, but application specific.

**Other Information**

Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used.

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**IMDG/IMO**

Not regulated

**14.1. UN number**

**14.2. UN proper shipping name**

**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)**

**14.4. Packing group**

**ADR**

Not regulated

**14.1. UN number**

**14.2. UN proper shipping name**

**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)**

**14.4. Packing group**

**IATA**

Not regulated

**14.1. UN number**

**14.2. UN proper shipping name**

**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)**

**14.4. Packing group**

**14.5. Environmental hazards**

No hazards identified

**14.6. Special precautions for user**

No special precautions required.

**14.7. Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments**

Not applicable, packaged goods

## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION



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## 15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

### International Inventories

Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), China (IECSC), Taiwan (TCSI), Korea (KECL), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Australia (AICS), New Zealand (NZIoC), Philippines (PICCS). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	IECSC	TCSI	KECL	ENCS	ISHL
Water	7732-18-5	231-791-2	-	-	X	X	KE-35400	X	-
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	57-09-0	200-311-3	-	-	X	X	KE-34534	X	X
Gold	7440-57-5	231-165-9	-	-	X	X	KE-18083	X	-

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Water	7732-18-5	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	57-09-0	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X
Gold	7440-57-5	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X

Legend: X - Listed '-' - Not Listed

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

### Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Water	7732-18-5	-	-	-
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	57-09-0	-	-	-
Gold	7440-57-5	-	Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

### REACH links

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

### Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC)

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements
Water	7732-18-5	Not applicable	Not applicable
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	57-09-0	Not applicable	Not applicable
Gold	7440-57-5	Not applicable	Not applicable

### Regulation (EC) No 649/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals

Not applicable

### Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?

Not applicable

Take note of Directive 98/24/EC on the protection of the health and safety of workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work .

### National Regulations

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UK - Take note of Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) 2002 and 2005 Amendment

**WGK Classification** Water endangering class = non-hazardous to waters (self classification)

Component	Germany - Water Classification (AwSV)	Germany - TA-Luft Class
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	WGK3	
Gold	nwg	

Component	Switzerland - Ordinance on the Reduction of Risk from handling of hazardous substances preparation (SR 814.81)	Switzerland - Ordinance on Incentive Taxes on Volatile Organic Compounds (OVOC)	Switzerland - Ordinance of the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide 57-09-0 ( 0.03 )	Prohibited and Restricted Substances		

## 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

Chemical Safety Assessment/Reports (CSA/CSR) are not required for mixtures

## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3

H302 - Harmful if swallowed  
H315 - Causes skin irritation  
H318 - Causes serious eye damage  
H335 - May cause respiratory irritation  
H400 - Very toxic to aquatic life

### Legend

**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

**DSL/NDL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

**NZIoC** - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

**WEL** - Workplace Exposure Limit

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level

**RPE** - Respiratory Protective Equipment

**LC50** - Lethal Concentration 50%

**NOEC** - No Observed Effect Concentration

**PBT** - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

**TWA** - Time Weighted Average

**IARC** - International Agency for Research on Cancer  
Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

**LD50** - Lethal Dose 50%

**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50%

**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

**vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

**ADR** - European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

**IMO/IMDG** - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

**ICAO/IATA** - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association

**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

**ATE** - Acute Toxicity Estimate

**VOC** - (Volatile Organic Compound)

### Key literature references and sources for data

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

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Classification and procedure used to derive the classification for mixtures according to Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 [CLP]:

Physical hazards	On basis of test data
Health Hazards	Calculation method
Environmental hazards	Calculation method

## Training Advice

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

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Revision Summary	New emergency telephone response service provider.

**This safety data sheet complies with Regulation UK SI 2019/758 and UK SI 2020/1577 as amended.**

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