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Compounds with Unknown Properties

Purpose: This Safe Method of Use applies to principal investigators (PIs), sector managers, designated laboratory person (DLPs), technical staff and students who use laboratories within the University of Auckland.

- The properties of compounds which are synthesised de novo or those which are specialty chemicals are often not known with any degree of certainty.

- Inferences can however be made from structure, closely related analogues and the use that these compounds will be put.

- As a general rule these compounds shall be treated as probably toxic and the appropriate Safe Method of Use should be followed.

- Where the compound is closely related to compounds that are acutely toxic and or carcinogenic they shall be treated as acutely toxic and the appropriate requirements of the Safe Method of use followed.