



WORK INSTRUCTION FOR CYTOSTATICS

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Cytostatic is exempt from the requirement for safety data sheets. Before you start to work with cytostatics, make sure you understand the information given in the product data sheet.

Ask for product data sheets from the manufacturer or use the information in the [Felleskatalogen](#) (NO only)

Practical advice should be read through before starting to work; [Cytostatikaboka](#) (NO only)

Seek advice from a pharmacist or in [RELIS](#) (NO only)

PURCHASE

- Contact the purchasing manager of the unit or research group.

USE

- All work with cytostatics should take place in a separate room and in safety cabinet type II or III
- Work area should be marked with warning / safety signs and covered with absorbent paper that must be replaced after each preparation.
- It is important to have good routines for cleaning of the safety bench.
- If spilled, use disposable wipes. Then wash several times with soapy water. Disposable wipes should be treated as problematic waste.
- Pregnant and breastfeeding women should not work with cytostatics. See separate worksheet for pregnant and breastfeeding women.

PROTECTIVE GEAR

- When working with cytostatic drugs, lab coat, plastic apron, tight fitting cuffs, safety shoes, safety goggles and appropriate gloves (two pairs of gloves: latex inner, outer nitrile) should be used. Replacement of gloves every half hour is recommended. At UiB's glove supplier, Victoria AS, the protective glove Shield can be purchased for this work.

STORAGE

- Chemicals that are in regular use must be [stored](#) in approved chemical cupboards in the laboratory. Chemicals that are not in daily use must be clearly marked in accordance with the [labelling regulations](#) and kept in lockable storage rooms designed for the type of chemical in question. It should be noted that some chemicals cannot be stored [together](#).

WASTE

- Follow the [waste routines](#) atUiB.
- Waste paper and combustible disposable equipment must be disposed as problematic waste, (the yellow boxes).
- The cytostatika must be disposed as hazardous waste. Waste Group 7153.
- All units also have their own waste contact.

DEFINITION

Cytostatica = Chemotherapy (chemical compound that stops or inhibits cell growth)

LOCAL ROUTINES

- Contact your local [wast contact](#).