



HECHMET Chemical Inventory Program

HECHMET is a database of Chemicals typically used by Universities. The chemical data within the database is shared among a consortium of university's including Trent, but allows each institution to manage their inventory privately. Chemical information is supplied by chemical suppliers and vendors. Each chemical item purchased is assigned a bar code and the container is labelled with a barcode and entered into the database when it arrives on campus at our shipping and receiving centre.

The chemical is then delivered to a specified location for each lab.

Principle Investigators (PI's) have the ability to search the chemicals in their inventory which have been assigned to them and in many cases they can also search other PI's inventories within their departments as well. Each PI has also been assigned a "Lab Group" identity where their lab personnel can search their lab inventory for specific chemicals.

Departmental technicians and demonstrators can also use HECHMET to search "Teaching" inventories.

PI's do not have access to search "Teaching" inventories.

To access HECHMET, a PI must first request access to the database by emailing Cwilliams@trentu.ca. A username and password will be assigned. Once the PI has a username and password they will be able to access HECHMET by opening a browser (Firefox or Chrome seem to work best) and entering the following into the web address line. <https://apps.hechmet.ca/login.aspx>

HECHMET is only available from computers on Trent's network. Remote access from home may require a VPN from the university.

A short powerpoint presentation is available for download from the Chemical Safety Program home page and will assist new users in signing in and using HECHMET for the first time.

Users of HECHMET may search their inventories for chemicals but cannot alter the database. Report any errors or omissions to either Chris Williams cwilliams@trentu.ca or Angela Sikma angelasikma@trentu.ca.

Additional questions can be sent to Chris Williams or Angela Sikma as well.