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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee, CH-026, Safety in Laboratories, to supersede AS 2243.6—1990, *Safety in laboratories*, Part 6: *Mechanical aspects*.

The revision was undertaken to update the Standard to reflect risk management principles and current occupational health and safety approaches and terminology. A new section has been added to include information on planning for use of plant and equipment covering risk assessments, procurement, installation and commissioning of plant and equipment, along with training of persons who will use it. A section on maintenance has also been added.

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