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A Danielewski hypersurface is defined as the zero set  $V(P)$  in  $\mathbf{C}^3$  of a polynomial of the form  $P = x^n y - Q(x, z) \in \mathbf{C}[x, y, z]$ , where  $n \geq 1$  and  $\deg(Q(0, z)) \geq 2$ . For  $n \geq 2$ , these surfaces have a non-trivial Makar-Limanov invariant. I will describe some results of P. M. Poloni on the classification of these hypersurfaces, and give some applications to the study of automorphisms of the complex three-dimensional affine space. The complete classification of isomorphism classes Danielewski surfaces is given. This is done by describing a "standard form" of the hypersurfaces. Then a classification of the equivalence classes of embeddings of hypersurfaces is discussed. (Received July 11, 2008)