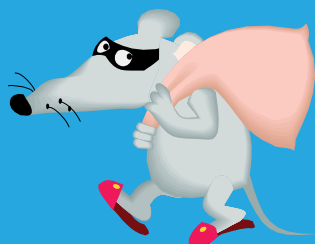




Please Lock Your Doors!



When visiting labs, we often hear reports of personal belongings being stolen from desks or in labs, even when personnel left the room for only a few minutes to go down the hall, grab refreshment or use the restroom. Many buildings have access doors which are unlocked to the public. Thefts can happen at any time and do happen during working hours.

It is EH&S policy that **doors to all labs or rooms where biological, chemical, or radiological materials are used or stored shall remain closed and, when unattended, locked at all times.** Keep lab materials and your personal belongings secured.



Encountered during random building walk-through: Unlocked lab, desk area, with multiple back packs, purses and personal electronic devices.



ATTENTION RESEARCHERS:

Please be aware that if any aspect of your work involves APHIS BRS, VS, or PPQ permits for the import, transit and release of regulated animals, animal products, veterinary biologics, plants, plant products, pests, organisms, soil, and genetically engineered organisms, **permits are specific to the named permittee and location(s) listed on the permit.** This means that one cannot transfer materials to another individual or location without additional permitting.

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The Dept of Biological Safety would like to thank the following labs for setting a shining example of lab housekeeping and maintenance.

Well done!

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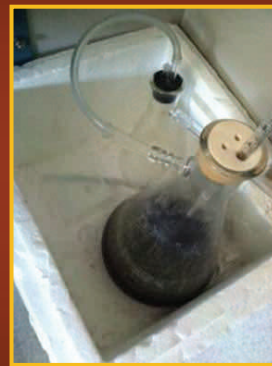
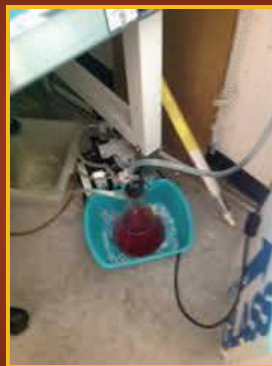
Troeddsen Lab (Gluck)

Webb/De Beer/Van Der Westhuyzen
Lab (CTW)



Biosafety Reminder:

In order to determine trends in laboratory biosafety here at University of Kentucky, the UK Dept. of Biological Safety recently reviewed observations noted from laboratory walkthroughs conducted by our department in 2013. The most commonly noted observation was the **lack of disinfectant in vacuum flasks utilized in work at the Biological Safety Cabinet (BSC).**



What not to do: No disinfectant in BSC flask

For potentially infectious materials, add full strength chemical disinfectant to vacuum trap flasks and allow the aspirated fluids to complete the appropriate dilution. (For example: If wanting a standard 10% bleach solution, start with 100-ml household chlorine bleach inside the flask, aspirate 900-ml fluids and discard). Please remember that trap flasks should be emptied when 2/3 full.



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