

The biorepository performs regular freezer preventive maintenance.

NOTE: Regular preventive maintenance is required to keep units functioning properly. Routine cleaning and maintenance should be done by assigned employees according to a Preventive Maintenance Schedule. Actions should be targeted at elimination of the causes of equipment failure and unscheduled interruptions. This activity involves regular, routine cleaning, lubricating, testing, calibrating and adjusting, checking for wear and tear and eventually replacing components to avoid breakdown.

Evidence of Compliance:

- ✓ Record of employees trained to perform preventive maintenance **AND**
- ✓ Results of all preventive maintenance will be recorded

BAP.08400 Emergency Response Plan

Phase II



There is an emergency response plan if acceptable temperature ranges for refrigerators and/or freezers are exceeded.

BAP.08500 Specimen Transfer Process

Phase II



The biorepository has a defined process for maintaining appropriate temperatures in the event of a system failure.

NOTE: There is a plan in place for transfer and back-up storage. For example, having 10% back-up storage containers would be considered best practices for each type of temperature-controlled unit should any one unit suffer an unrecoverable failure. Failure mode analysis should be performed to identify possible root causes of failure. Corrective actions should include service calls to providers for system repair, as applicable. Duration of failure should also be recorded, as well as any potential adverse effects to specimens.

Evidence of Compliance:

- ✓ Temperature and alarm records **AND**
- ✓ Updated specimen location records **AND**
- ✓ Corrective action and preventive action records

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BAP.08600 Liquid Nitrogen Supplies

Phase II

Adequate liquid nitrogen (LN2) supplies are maintained securely onsite if LN2 is used as refrigerant or coolant for a storage environment.

NOTE: In general, vapor phase storage is the preferred method over storage in the liquid phase of nitrogen because vapor phase provides sufficiently low temperatures to maintain temperatures below the Tg (glass transition temperature), while avoiding safety hazards inherent in liquid phase storage.

The biorepository must have sufficient LN2 supply to fill a spare storage vessel and/or to allow for freezing of specimens in an emergency.

Access to supply tanks stored outside of the laboratory must be limited to trained personnel and authorized individuals (eg, vendors).

Evidence of Compliance:

- ✓ LN2 supply storage within the restricted area of the laboratory **OR** locked supply storage area outside of the laboratory with limited key access

BAP.08700 LN2 Monitoring

Phase II