

Rotating Lab Responsibilities

1. Biohazard and liquid waste (every Tuesday and as needed)
 - Properly package up 'red bag' biohazard waste and take down to loading dock on Tuesday
 - As needed, take full bottles of liquid hazardous waste down to loading dock on Tuesday
 - As needed replace full 'red bag' biohazard waste container or full bottles of liquid waste and store full containers until Tuesday
2. Maintain/autoclave tips and tubes (as needed – ensure that stocks are full at the end of the month)
 - Ensure that stocks of tips and microcentrifuge tubes are kept at a reasonable level
 - As needed, autoclave boxes of tips (dry cycle) and microcentrifuge tubes (dry cycle)
 - Discard/recycle excess tip boxes as necessary
3. Refill gel buffers (as needed – ensure that you refill everything at the end of the month)
 - Replenish 1X stocks of buffers including running buffers, stains and destains
 - As needed, remake concentrated (10X, 20X or 100X) stocks
 - Check and refill, as needed, buffers in fumehood for pouring gels (running, stacking buffer and SDS)
4. Put away dishes (every day or two)
 - Put all dishes on drying racks away in the appropriate places
 - Tidy up area around drying rack and wipe down bench near sink
 - Gently remind anyone who has left dirty dishes in/near the sink that they need to clean them
5. Check on levels of consumables/supplies (at least once per week – be sure to double check at the beginning and end of each month)
 - Check on our stock of consumables (see list)
 - Order (write in order book) and items that are getting low
6. Clean and care for common equipment (as noted below)
 - Calibrate pH meter, note the date and your name in the log book (weekly)
 - Change water, 70% Ethanol and 20% Ethanol (50 mL tube on right side of system) and log date/time/your name for cleaning in the log book (weekly)
 - Wipe down the inside of the floor model centrifuge with damp (water) paper towel (weekly)
 - Clean (water then 70% ethanol) the metal inserts/adapters for the table-top centrifuge (once/month)