

BK3.2 - Laboratory Safety at UC



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HISTORY

- Nineteen years after the University of California was chartered in 1868 as California's land-grant institution under the Morrill Act, the Hatch Act of 1887 linked research and public service to instruction as inseparable elements of the University's mission.
- It allocated federal funds to land-grant colleges for research at agricultural experiment stations and making the latest agricultural methods publicly available.
- The Hatch Act, after many reauthorizations and expansions, still provides UC funding for agricultural research and cooperative extension.

UC's Mission

"The distinctive mission of the University is to serve society as a center of higher learning, providing long-term societal benefits through transmitting advanced knowledge, discovering new knowledge, and functioning as an active working repository of organized knowledge. That obligation, more specifically, includes undergraduate education, graduate and professional education, research, and other kinds of public service, which are shaped and bounded by the central pervasive mission of discovering and advancing knowledge."

We teach

We do
research

We provide
public service

SIZE AND SCOPE OF UC'S RESEARCH PROGRAMS

- UC performs nearly one-tenth of the nation's academic research.
- During 2016-17, direct expenditures for research at UC totaled over \$4.5 billion, with federal funds providing about half. Private sources account for about 17 percent — 11 percent from nonprofit organizations and 6 percent from corporate sponsors.
- In 2016–17, UC's indirect cost recovery was just over \$1 billion, with the great majority from research activities.

UC's Research Workforce, 2016-2017, FTE

Students	4,310.6	16%
Postdoctoral researchers	4,337.6	16%
Other staff	11,203.0	41%
Other academics	4,546.6	17%
Faculty	3,068.4	11%
Grand total	27,466.2	100%

Lab 3A: Biomedical Sciences and Physics UCM 2020



A photograph of the entrance to Starcourt Mall. The building is a large, modern structure with a prominent entrance canopy supported by several thick, square columns. The columns have a light-colored, textured upper section and a dark, solid lower section. The entrance canopy is a wide, flat structure with a decorative, stepped edge. Above the canopy, the word "starcourt" is written in a large, blue, stylized font, and the word "Mall" is written in a smaller, red, cursive font below it. The entrance area is paved with a light-colored material, and there is a red and white checkered pattern on the ground in front of the entrance. To the left of the entrance, there is a small, dark, rectangular structure, possibly a kiosk or a small shop. To the right, there is a small, green, leafy plant. The sky is clear and blue, and the overall scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day.

starcourt
Mall



Issues with Compliance

- Who is responsible?
 - Who is the 'Employer?'
 - Who is doing the work?
 - Who is the supervisor? Is there a "supervisor"?
- Who's going to pay?
 - Fines
 - Controls & protection (*engineering through PPE*)
 - Exposure monitoring (*initial & periodic*)
 - Written documents
 - Signs
 - Equipment



Research Laboratories



Teaching Laboratories



Clinical Laboratories



Field Laboratories

Labs are Different

- Cal/OSHA Lab Standard
 - OSHA & Cal/OSHA Lab Standard are essentially identical
 - www.dir.ca.gov/Title8/5191.html
- EPA Academic Lab Rule
 - Not yet adopted by California
 - Flexibility afforded academic laboratories:
 - delay in making waste determinations, longer accumulation times, labeling simplified, encourages lab cleanouts – useful for small quantity generators
- www.epa.gov/epawaste/hazard/generation/labwaste

Cal/OSHA Laboratory Standard

- Occupational regulations for labs that uses chemicals is the “Laboratory Standard”
- Requires:
 - Employer limit exposure
 - www.dir.ca.gov/Title8/5155table_ac1.html
 - Initial and periodic exposure monitoring
 - Written Chemical Hygiene Plan
 - Capable of protecting employees from health hazards
 - Capable of keeping exposures below the limits
 - Readily available to employees



April 2018



California State University





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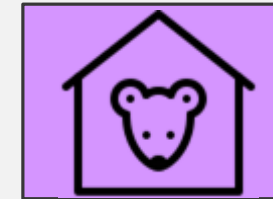
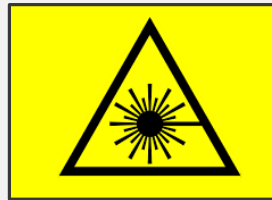
It Has Not Provided Adequate Oversight of the
Safety of Employees and Students Who Work With
Hazardous Materials

Report 2017-119

COMMITMENT
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LEADERSHIP

<http://auditor.ca.gov/pdfs/reports/2017-119.pdf>

EH&S RESEARCH SAFETY ELEMENTS





Chemical Hygiene

Description

Overseeing compliance with the California Laboratory Standard that covers the use of chemicals that pose a health hazard. UC also expands its authority to cover chemicals that have physical hazards.

Lead Specialist

Chemical Hygiene Officer (CHO)

Oversight Committee

Some campuses use a Chemical Safety Committee.

Major Programs

Highly Toxic Gases, Reproductive Health Hazards, Carcinogen, Hazard Communication Standard, Pyrophoric Safety, Chemical Hygiene Plan Exposure Assessment, Standard Operating Procedures (SOP), Nanomaterial,

Chemicals

Last updated: Oct 28 2019 2:59AM

Location

Multiple selections

Received Date

10/6/1058 4/10/2207

Chemical Search

All

Department

All

Inventory

All

Facility

All

Building

All

Room

All

1M

Current Container Count

5,476

Expired Containers

0

Checkout Containers

74K

Unique Chemicals

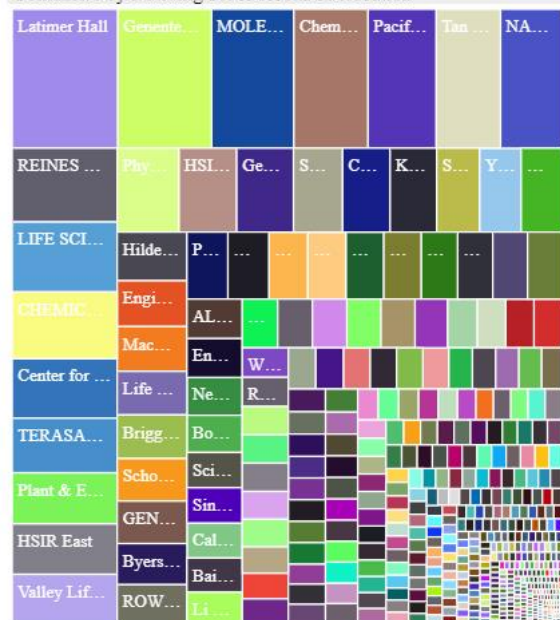
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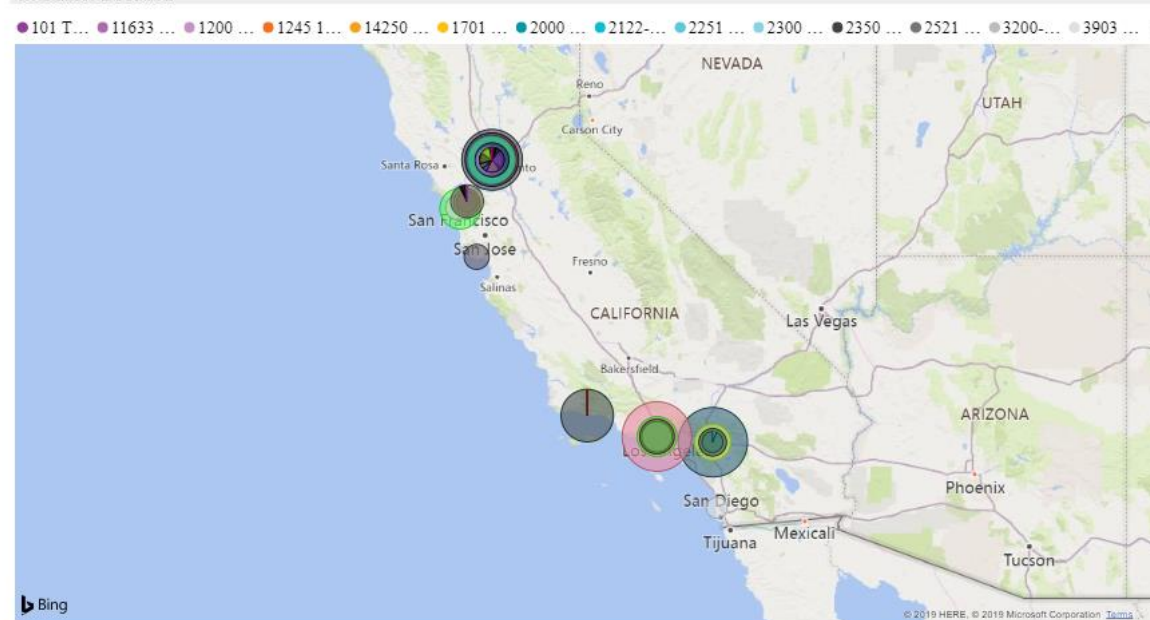
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9,705
Rooms

107
Floors
3,883
Inventories

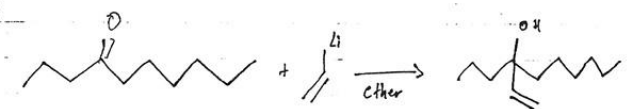
Containers by Building/Floor/Room/Sublocation



Container Location



12/21/08



Step 1:

generate Li^- via Br $\xrightarrow{2x \text{ t-BuLi, Ether}}$ Li^-

Reagent	mol eq.	mmol	qty added
- Vinyl Lithium	1.40	129.391	-
- 4-undecyne	1.00	67.53	11.7 mL (0.32 g/mL)

→

Reagent	mol eq.	mmol	qty added
Vinyl Bromide	1.00	42.797	120.529
t-BuLi Sol'n Pentane	2.10	269.50	9.0 mL





2008 UCLA Case

- PARADIGM SHIFT: Completely reframed university expectations and concerns regarding campus safety
- FOR THE FIRST TIME: Both faculty member and a university held accountability under criminal legal proceedings
- CRIMINAL CHARGES: Charges of criminal liability in Sheri Sangji's death
- SETTLEMENT: Agreement reached with Professor Harran after 4 years of criminal court proceedings, charges to be dropped if settlement terms met
- REPUTATIONAL IMPACT: Both to Professor Harran and to UCLA
- COSTS: In excess of \$9M paid out by university
- CIVIL CHARGES: Possible civil charges?
- SANGJI FAMILY ADVOCACY: ACS meeting in Boston, Fall 2015













The graduate student involved was wearing goggles, gloves, and a flame-resistant Nomex lab coat and did not sustain any injuries



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Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Description

Oversees the selection, fitting and issuance of PPE to researchers.

Lead Specialist

PPE Coordinators.

Oversight Committee

Major Programs

Lab Coats, Safety Glasses, Gloves, Flame-resistant (FR), Slip-resistant shoes, specialty PPE.



Why PPE?

Elimination

Substitution

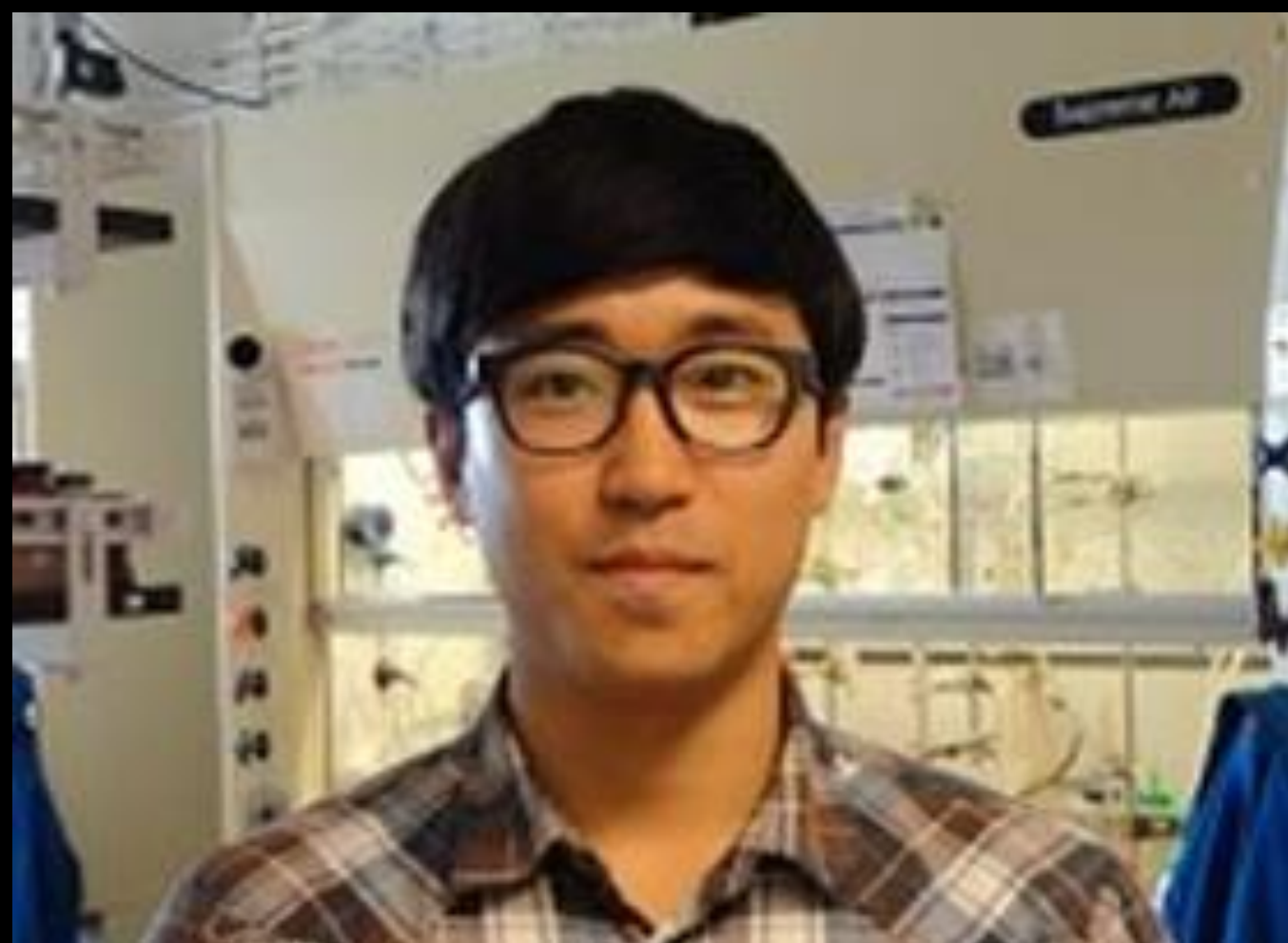
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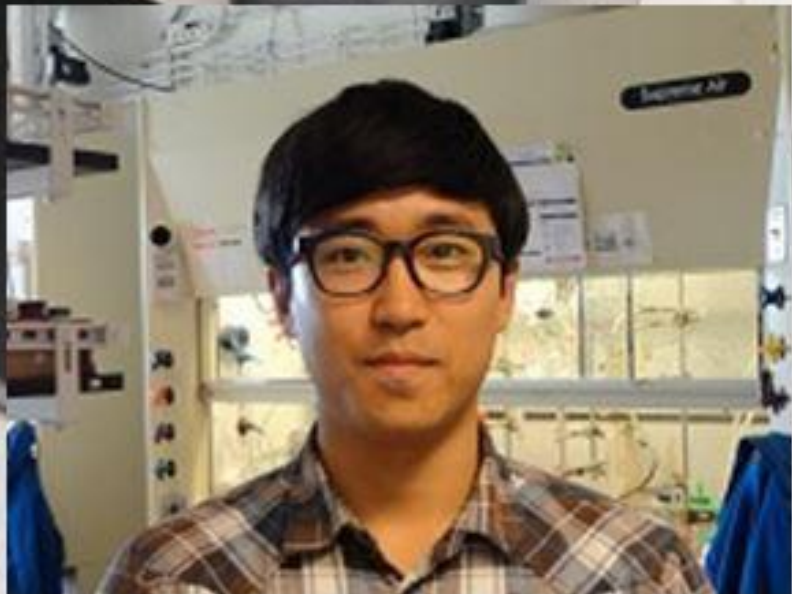
Engineering

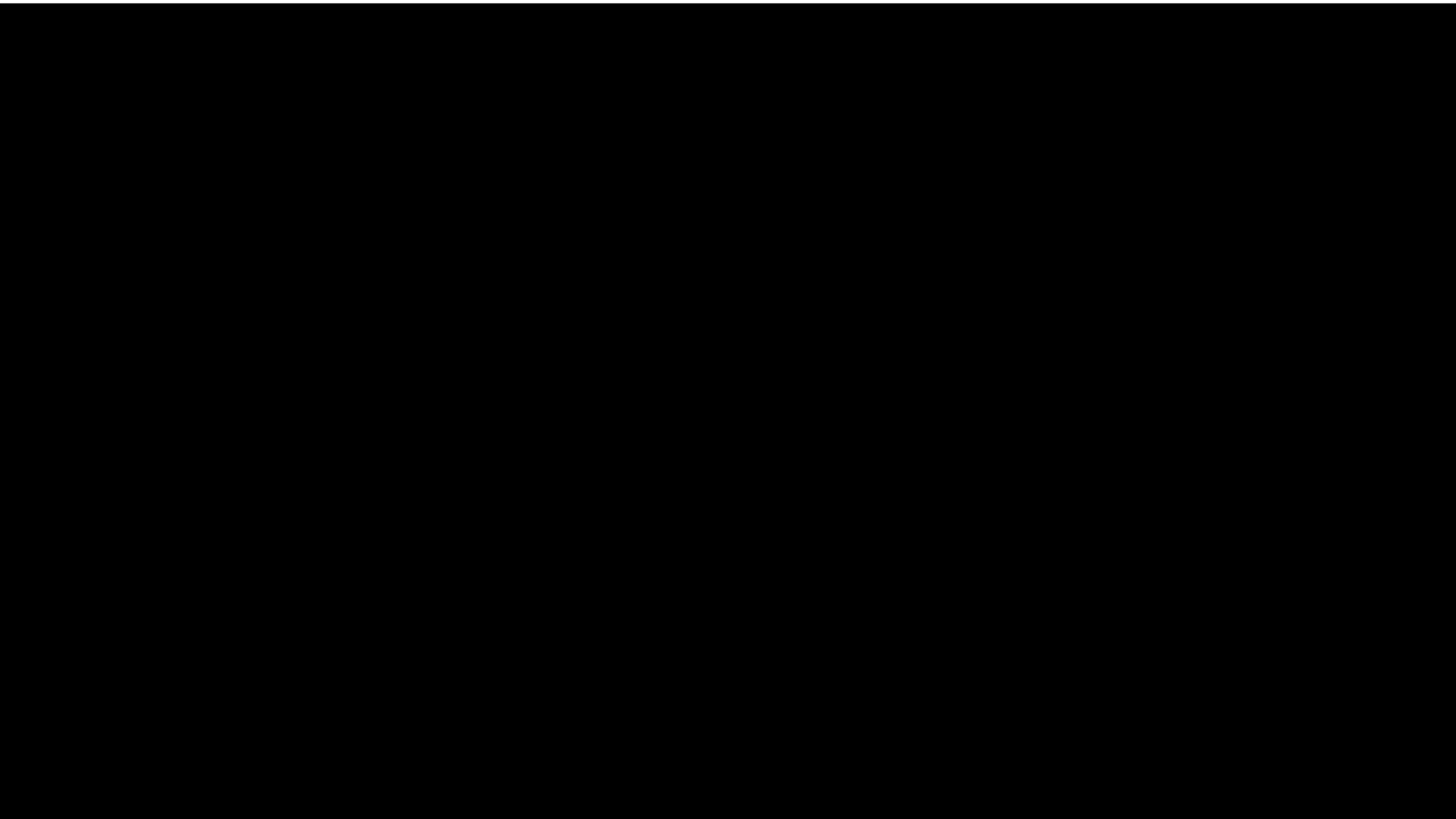
Administrative

PPE

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*Be Smart
About Safety*







University of Utah

- In February 2018, an incident in the University of Utah's Chemistry Department led to chemical burns for two lab personnel.
- This incident involved air-reactive chemicals that combust when exposed to air.
- In this incident, the researcher conducting the experiment and their spotter, who had a fire extinguisher, each received burns.





92-675 Nitrile glove FR test

92-675 over 80-813

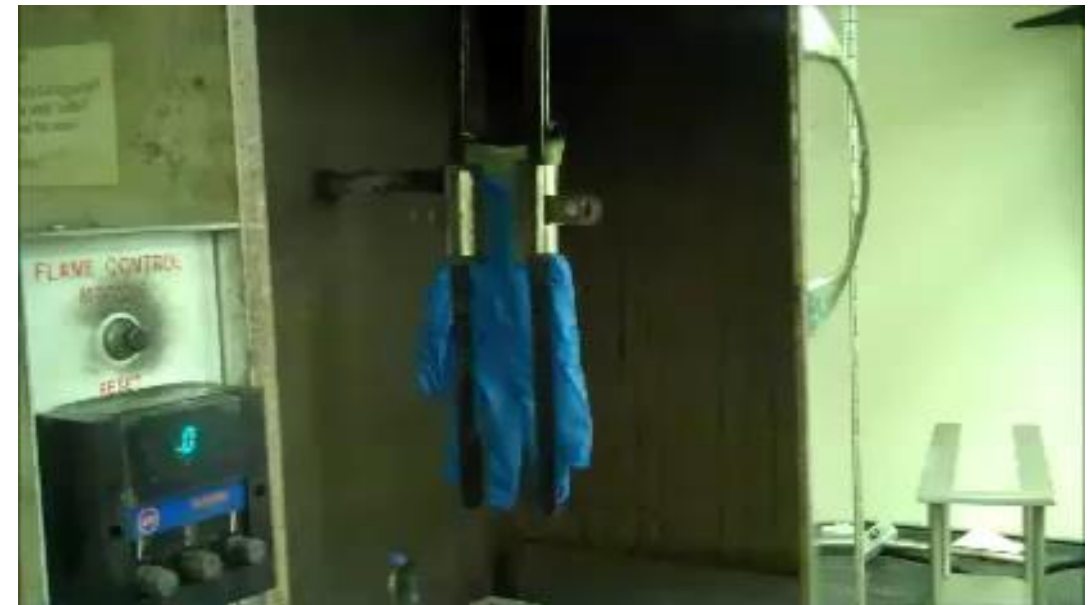
sample	burn time after flame	melting/drips	burn/char length	pass / fail
92-675	>45	none	consumed	Fail
92-675 over 70-200	45	none	consumed	Fail
92-675 over 80-813	>45	none	consumed	Fail



Nitrile glove

Exposed to flame, nitrile gloves make **good torches**, and the flames don't go out until **all** material is **consumed**

ASTM D6413 FR test; 12 second, 37 mm flame
NFPA 2112 grading; pass is < 2 seconds
afterflame, no molten drips, less than 4 inches



SU gloves underneath FR liners

sample	burn time after flame	melting/ drips	Burn /char length	pass / fail
25-101 under 80-813 fingers	0.88	None	<1 inch	Pass
25-101 under 80-813 folded	0.72	None	<1	Pass
25-101 under 70-200 fingers	0.57	None	<1	Pass
25-101 under 70-200 folded	0.49	None	<1	Pass
92-675 under 80-813 fingers	0.72	None	<1	Pass
92-675 under 70-200 fingers	0.77	none	<1	pass
**In all cases, the SU underglove was intact after flame exposure				



ASTM D6413 FR test; 12 second, 37 mm flame
NFPA 2112 grading; pass is < 2 seconds afterflame, no molten
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Biosafety

Description

Responsible for all biological and etiological agent use on the campus.

Lead Specialist

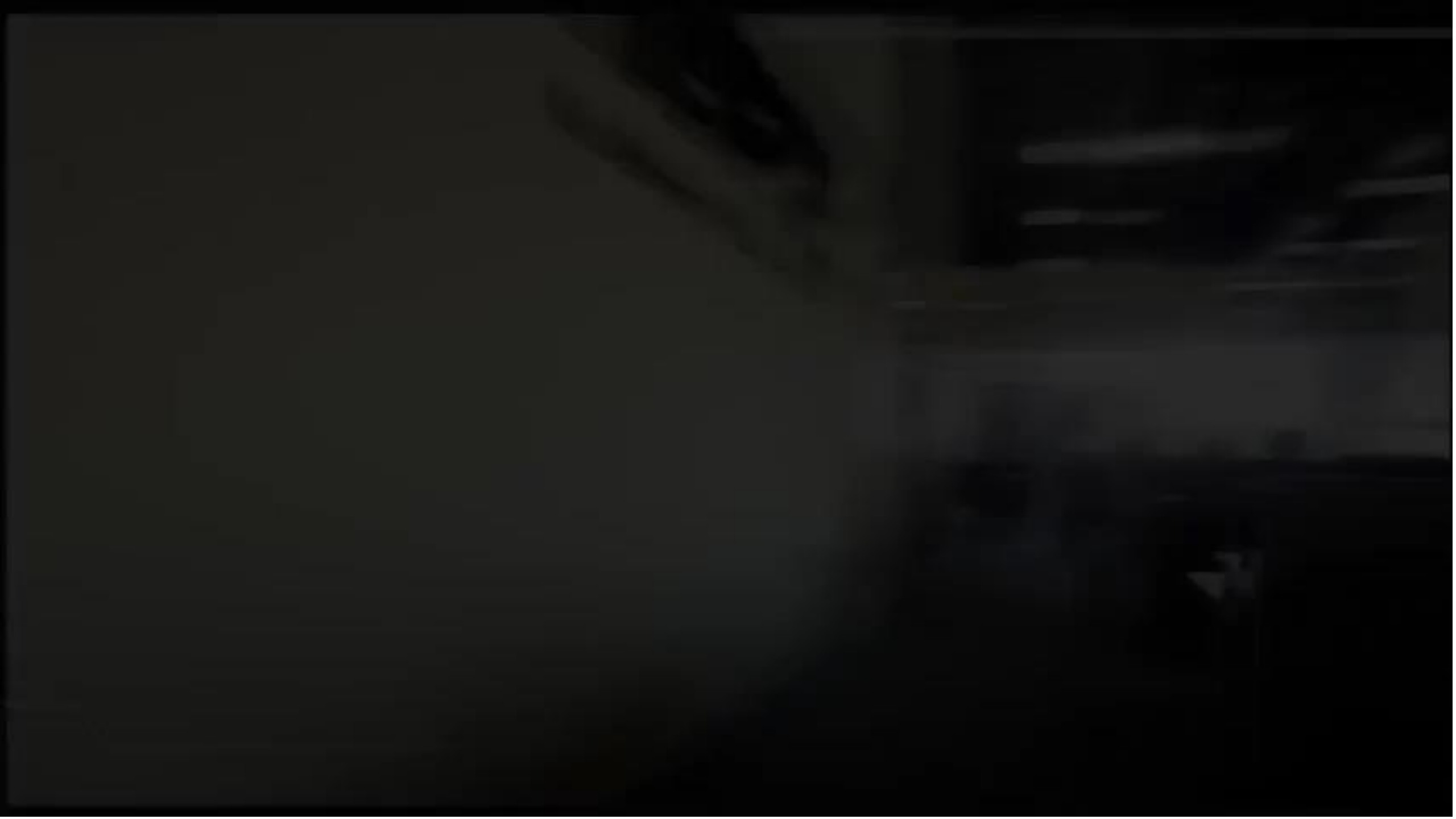
Biosafety Officer (BSO).

Oversight Committee

Institution Biosafety Committee (IBC)

Major Programs

Risk group agents 1-3 (Risks groups 2 and 3 having the potential to cause disease in humans), bloodborne pathogens, aerosolized transmissible disease, recombinant and synthetic DNA research.



Local

San Francisco VA Lab Faces Sanctions For Researcher's Death

February 20, 2013 9:30 PM

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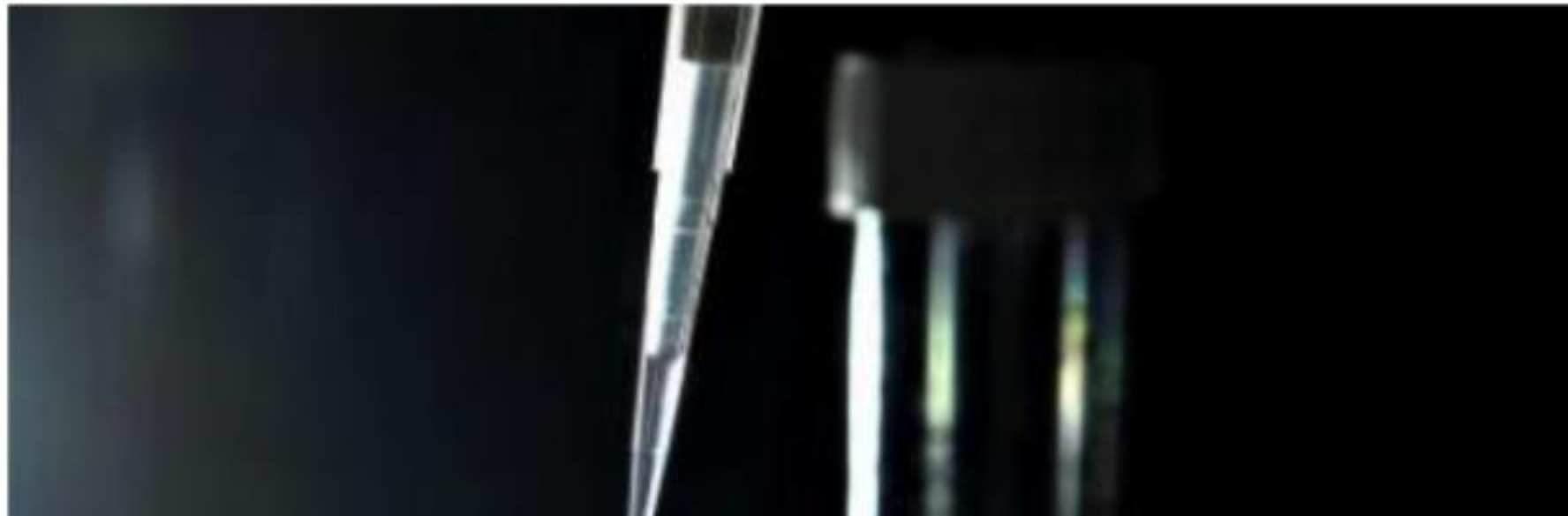
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Five People Accidentally Exposed to Live Anthrax

June 11, 2004

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Five researchers at a California hospital laboratory were exposed to anthrax while working on a vaccine to protect children from infection, the Associated Press reported yesterday (see [GSN](#), June 8).

The workers at Children's Hospital Oakland Research Institute believed they were working with syringes carrying a dead form of the virus. However, the Southern Research Institute in Frederick, Md., had shipped live anthrax, said hospital spokeswoman Bev Mikalonis.



High Containment Laboratories

Description

Responsible for all biological and etiological agent use on the campus.

Lead Specialist

High Containment Laboratory Director (HCLD).

Oversight Committee

Campus: High Containment Laboratory Oversight Group (HCLOG),
Systemwide: High Containment Laboratory Oversight Committee (HCLOC).

Major Programs

Select Agents and Toxins, Risk Group 3 Organisms
34 HCLs: BSL-3: 21, Animal BSL-3: 8, Arthropod BSL-3: 3, Plant BSL-3: 2.
17 different agents
~315 HCL trained individuals.

Partnership with NIH National Biosafety & Biocontainment Training Program (NBBTP)



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9 years continuous NIH funding



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Over 1000 personnel trained



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First courses for O & M personnel, biosafety professionals





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Vivarium Safety

Description

Performed occupations safety for researchers and amical husbanded staff who have access to research vivarium's.

Lead Specialist

Vivarium Safety Officer (RSO). Sometime embedded in the Animal Care Program.

Oversight Committee

Works closely with the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)

Major Programs

Typical hazards include allergies, zoonotic diseases, poisonous bites, and vector-borne illnesses as well as occupational hazards like ergonomic, noise and respiratory hazards.





Elizabeth R. Griffin



Beth Griffin was an artistic, intelligent and compassionate young woman who met a tragic and premature death after contracting B virus (Cercopithecine Herpesvirus 1), a disease carried by macaque monkeys, as a result of a preventable ocular exposure and subsequent delayed diagnosis and treatment.



Radiation Safety

Description

Oversees the use of all radioactive materials and ionizing radiation (X-Rays) on the campus or medical center.

Lead Specialist

Radiation Safety Officer (RSO). Their staff are Health Physicists and technicians.

Oversight Committee

Radiation Safety Committee (RSC), Radioactive Drug Research Committee (RDRC), Human Exposure to Radiation Committee (HERC)

Major Programs

Irradiators, X-ray, Reactors (UCI, UC Davis), Cyclotrons, Radioactive Material (RAM), Accelerator Produced Radioactive Material (APRM), Natural Occurring Radioactive Material (APRM), Special Nuclear Material (Pu, U),

Cs-137 and Co-60 Irradiators

- The University of California owns **47** $^{137}\text{Cs}/\text{Co-60}$ irradiators
- 2017 decision to transition to x-ray irradiators where found equivalent

37 ^{137}Cs & **3** Co-60 irradiators are planned for removal from University of California facilities





New X-ray Irradiators

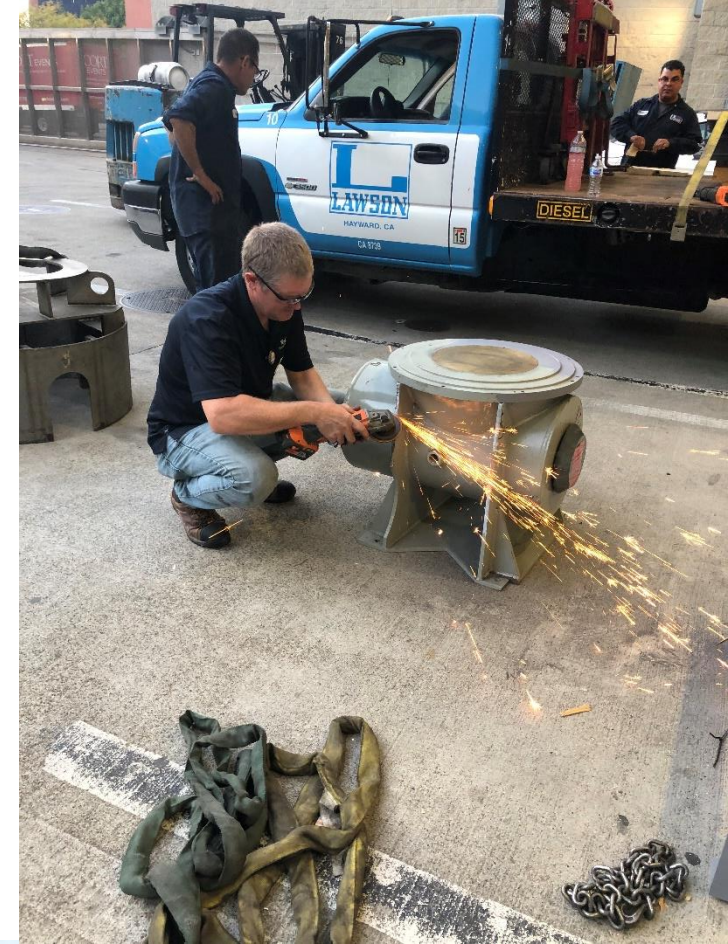


UC Cs Irradiator Removal Project Status Dashboard

Total **47** Cs & Co irradiators

Date: 10/24/2019

- **Cesium & Cobalt Removals- 40 planned**
 - Irradiator Removal Done- 13
 - Pending Removal- 11 (UCIMC, UCLA, UCDMC, UCR next)
 - Planned Removal- 16
- **X-ray/LINAC Purchases & Installations- 27**
- **Installation Done- 22**
- **Pending Purchases- 4**
- **Planned Purchases- 1**
- **Cesium & Cobalt Retained- 7** (UCSD, UCI, UCSF, UCDMC)



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Laser Safety

Description

Oversees the use of high powered lasers, usually consisting of Class 3B and 4. The Laser Safety Officer performs an analysis of the laser setup and prescribes required controls.

Lead Specialist

Laser Safety Officer (LSO)

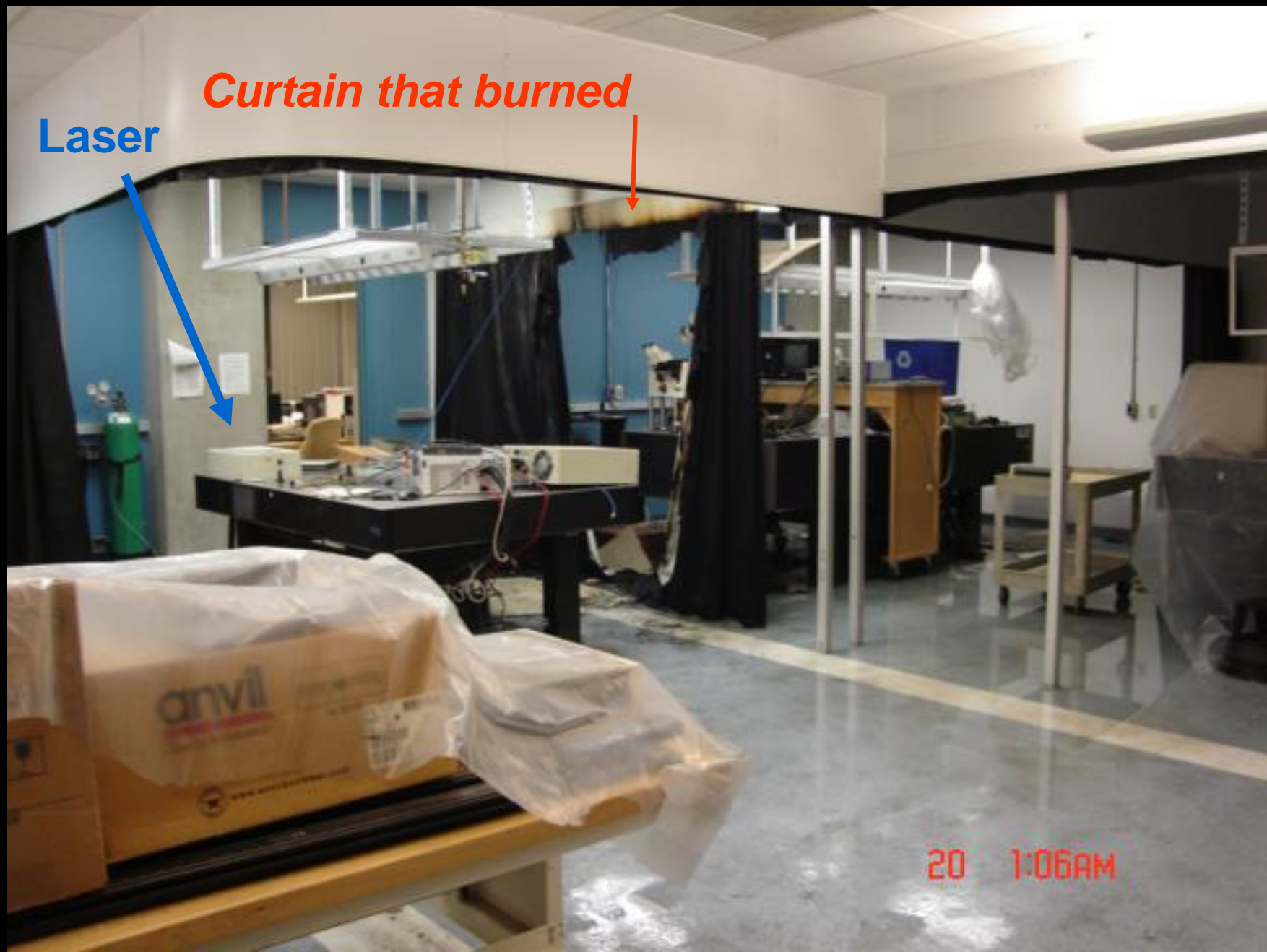
Oversight Committee

Some campuses use a Laser Safety Committee.

Major Programs

Visible and non-viable laser, Sometime Non-ionizing radiation safety like microwaves and radio-frequency generators. a violet





Laser

Curtain that burned

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Controlled Substance Program

Description

Responsible for obtaining the required DEA registrations in order to legally possess controlled substances.

Lead Specialist

Controlled Substance Program Administrator (CSPA)

Oversight Committee

Some research may have to be approved by the California Research Advisory Panel.

Major Programs

Controlled Substances are banded into Schedules I-V.
Most of these substances are used as analgesics and anesthesia for animal research. Examples include: fentanyl, methadone, morphine, oxycodone, fentanyl, pentobarbital, and secobarbital, cocaine, opioids, cannabis, THC

Controlled Substance Program

Wednesday, October 30, 2019

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

BK7.2 - Controlled Substances Programs: Overview of Policy, Responsibilities, & Changes

This session will provide an overview of the current UC systemwide policy for Controlled Substance use (BFB-BUS 50 Controlled Substances) including designated roles and responsibilities, regulatory requirements, and current controls and oversight. The presentation will highlight recent communications and clarification that UC has received from DEA and will review changes to the structure and organization of Campus research registrations. Lastly, the presentation will provide a status report on efforts to update the BUS-50 policy to cover the use of controlled substances throughout the UC enterprise, including both Clinical and Research activities.

Speaker(s): Brent Cooley (UCOP), Thomas Harper (UCD Health) and Hoyt Sze (UCOP)



Field Safety

Description

Encompasses activities conducted outside of the laboratory but still in the domain of research. Field Safety is an emerging area of practice for EHS.

Lead Specialist

Vivarium Safety Officer (RSO). Sometime embedded in the Animal Care Program.

Oversight Committee

Major Programs

Outdoor heat, Field Safety planning, Emergency communications, Wildlife hazards, wilderness first aid. May include Agricultural Safety. Works closely with the Natural Reserves and field based science programs.

Fieldwork

- The normally the most hazardous activity
- Throughout US and several foreign countries
- Thousands of trips UC-wide
- <https://www.uctrips-insurance.org>
- Field Safety Plans
- Transportation , People; Samples, Materials, Supplies, Equipment; and Hazardous Materials, Medical Considerations , Security, Communications.
- Activities: Before, while there, when you get back





Diving and Boating Safety

Description

Establishes training programs, certifies scientific divers, reviews and approves all scientific diving projects performed by the institution.

Lead Specialist

Dive Safety Officer (DSO)

Oversight Committee

Diving Control Board. Three campuses have a shared DCB.

Major Programs

Scientific Diving Plans, Small Boat Float Plans, Scientific Diver Training and Certification, Dry Suit Diving, Special Gas Diving, Marine Safety

THE CAMBRIAN

UC Santa Barbara marine ecologist dies off the Cambria coast

BY KATHE TANNER

NOVEMBER 13, 2018 01:55 PM, UPDATED NOVEMBER 13, 2018 04:46 PM



Don Canestro with daughters Carla, 13, and Stella, 11, and their pet goats in 2016, outside the barn near their home on the UCSB Norris Rancho Marino Reserve in Cambria. UC SANTA BARBARA

News > [Accidents and Fires](#)

UC Santa Cruz mourns death of young researcher killed in diving accident

Umihiko Hoshijima died in apparent diving accident on research trip to Alaska

By **NICK IBARRA** | nibarra@santacruzsentinel.com | Santa Cruz Sentinel

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Unmanned Aircraft System (Drone) Safety

Description

UC requires FAA licensure or categorical exemption for all of our drone pilots. All UC drone flights must have a flight plans filed in our tracking software and approved by the location prior to flight.

Lead Specialist

Campus: Designated Local Authority (DLA)
Systemwide: Systemwide Designated UAS Authority

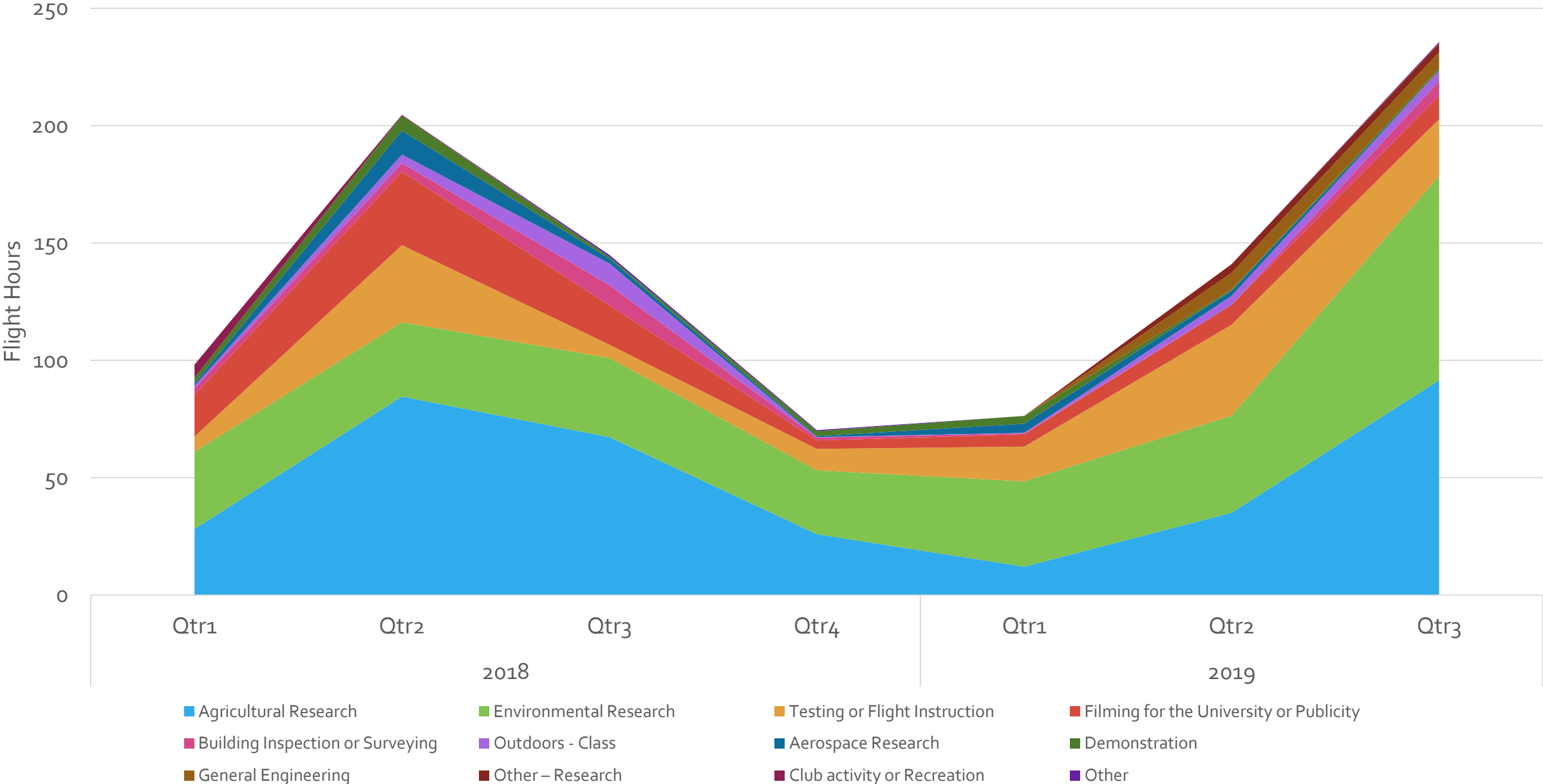
Oversight Committee

Systemwide Designated UAS Advisory Board

Major Programs

Drones, other autonomous vehicles.

UC UAS Usage by Flight Activity



UC Riverside Media Team

Flight Procedure	Would like to film another drone from a safe distance (Matrice equipped with a 360 camera). The 360 flight is scheduled for the morning of Friday, August 23rd and is currently pending. I will be piloting the Matrice and Taylor will most likely be piloting the Mavic.
Operation Restriction	
Comments	test flight... accidentally put 11pm on last request sorry for the inconvenience
RiskAssessment	Will keep a safe distance from the larger drone (Matrice), which will only be flying vertically. Smaller drone (Mavic) will be used to document the flight and will have minimal horizontal movement. We will have a team of 5 spotters.
Observers	Christina Bristol Taylor Ruthford Christy Zwicke
Flight Durations	2 minutes
Takeoff and Landing Damages	Landing Damages. Drone legs are broken, propellers are broken.
Equipment Malfunctions	- Navigation system
Lost Link Events	- Lost link of pilot control
Event Notes	- We encountered a malfunction during which the pilot, Nathaniel, could not control the drone with the remote. The device lost connection with the remote and the pilot, flew off by itself, and did not stop until it crashed into a tree.
Accidents/Mishaps/Near-Misses	- Substantial damage to the unmanned aircraft system where there is damage to the aircraft that must be repaired prior to further flight - Total aircraft loss



UC NRS – M210 into tree

Takeoff and Landing Damages

Surveying an invasive species extent in a very very remote location on the reserve, M210 collided with a tree resulting in the total loss of the drone. I reviewed the proposed area with the reserve manager, inspected the ridgeline with a Mavic prior to flying the survey to double-check elevation. The elevation flow was sufficient to clear the ridge but didn't take into account one lone very tall tree. The drone stopped prior to hitting the tree using the collision avoidance settings, but when I was maneuvering it out of the tree I accidentally collided with the tree. The drone crashed and is not recoverable due to the extreme remote location.

Equipment Malfunctions

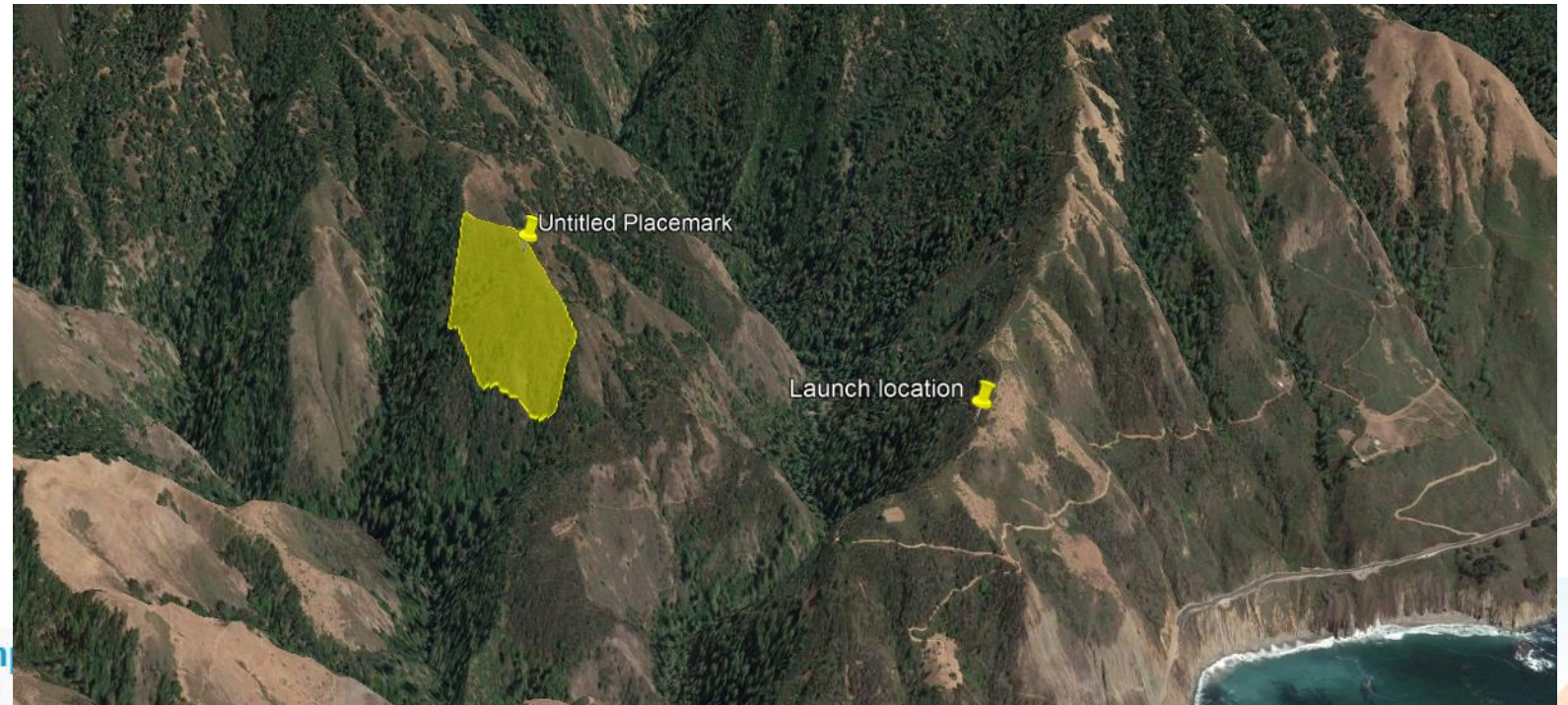
- None

Lost Link Events

- None

Accidents/Mishaps/Near -Misses

- Total aircraft loss







Laboratory Safety Inspections

Description

usually refers to the audit and inspection team that is designed to perform periodic inspections of the research laboratories.

Lead Specialist

Lab Safety Specialists

Oversight Committee

Major Programs

This group is typically responsible for checking program compliance in all of the areas previously discussed. Laboratory ergonomics, Departmental Contacts. This allows a single entity to interact with the laboratory staff to ensure compliance.

Safety Audits and Inspections

- Labs inspected for compliance with
 - California Fire Code
 - Cal/OSHA Lab Standard
 - Chemical Hygiene Plan
 - Hazardous, Medical and Radioactive Waste
 - Labeling, Storage & Segregation
 - Radioactive isotope use
 - Biohazardous materials use
 - Electrical Code

Audit Process Options

- Contact department and/or lab representative
 - Schedule audits for that dept/lab
- Occupants present
 - Yes – can ask more – takes longer – better result
 - No – limited to physical conditions only
- Paper or paperless process
 - Time to inspect, time to create reports
 - Consistency between auditors & inspections
 - Automating report creations, summary reports
 - \$, FTE, expertise, priorities, accountability



Implementation Guide

20 recommendations for a safety culture drawn from top resources

Tools and resources for implementation (+ values, roles, responsibilities resources).

A guide to implementing a
SAFETY CULTURE
in our universities

APLU Council on Research
Task Force on Laboratory Safety

Suggested Core Institutional Values

Safety is everyone's responsibility.

Good science is safe science.

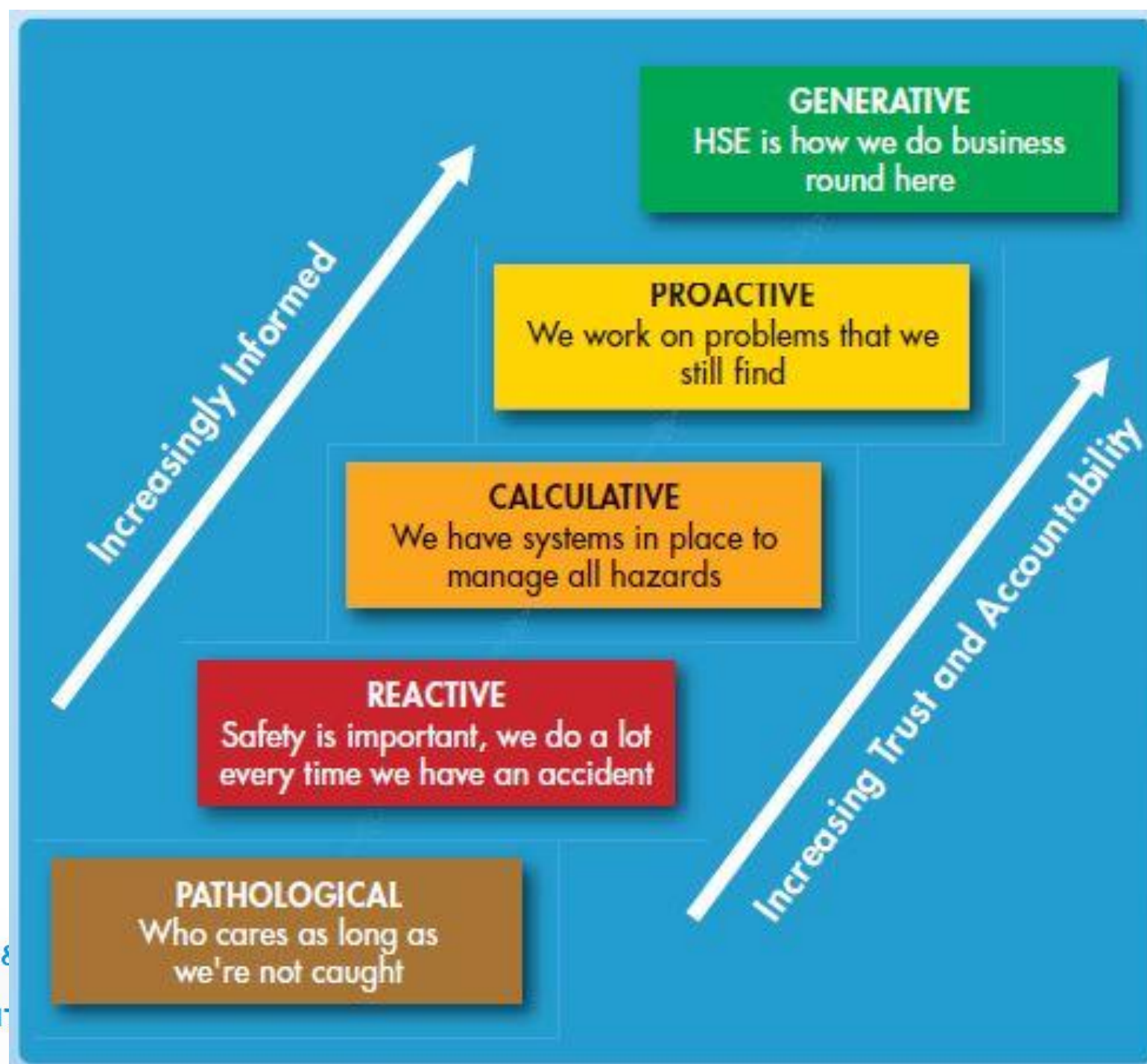
Safety training & education is critical to research and education.

Safety culture is necessary to implement true risk reduction.

Diversity and flexibility of approaches and methods.

The path to a culture of safety

Safety culture refers to an organization's shared values, assumptions, and beliefs specific to workplace safety.





ABOUT

The EH&S Professional Education program cross-trains UC EH&S staff and safety personnel to expand their knowledge and skills in a variety of EH&S programs applicable to the university setting. Taught by UC subject matter experts, this blended learning experience (consisting of online modules and an in-person workshop) offers an opportunity to earn three certifications:

1. **EH&S Generalist**
2. **EH&S Professional**
3. **EH&S Specialist**

In addition to the three certifications, this program provides continuing education units (CEUs) for various professional accreditations.



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