Environmental Health and Safety
Occupational Exposures to Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories Policy

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Applicability: Occupational Exposures to Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories Policy

Purpose
To protect faculty, staff and students from injuries caused by materials used in the laboratory.

Policy
All personnel will wear lab coat, gloves and safety glasses when handling chemicals or powders.

All chemicals and chemical waste in the laboratory will be properly labeled as to the content of the container.

A chemical inventory of the laboratory is required annually and posted on the laboratory door.

All chemicals will be placed in proper storage based on their chemical makeup – acids and bases are stored separately and flammables are stored in flammable materials containers.

Safety Data sheets must be on hand and reviewed prior to using the chemicals, gases or powders.

For further information contact Environmental Health and Safety at 84251 or visit the website https://facilities.lehigh.edu/about-us/environmental-health-safety.