

Risk Management Form

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Risk Management Details

Risk Management Form Description Using a biological safety class II cabinet for mammalian cell culture

Locations All BABS Laboratories;

Persons at Risk * Workers
 Students
 Visitors
 Contractors
 Members of the public

Consultation Process * Persons must read this form

Related Legislation, Standards, Codes of Practice etc. * WHS Act 2017; WHS Regulations 2017

Related Safety Documents

Related Equipment

Related Activities

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Hazards and Risks

Use this section to list each task/scenario and its associated hazard and risk. You can choose multiple tasks by clicking on 'Add new hazard' at the end of this box

Hazard Task/Scenario * Turning cabinet on and off

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Hazard Category * Non-ionising radiation

Associated Harm * Burns



Existing Controls * Only use UV light when needed and when appropriate shielding is in place. Do not lift the glass cover to look directly inside the cabinet whilst the UV indicator light is illuminated. All staff using BSC required to undergo PC1 training or equivalent lab induction that should include proper use of BSC's.

Additional Controls

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| Risk Consequence | 3. Moderate | Risk Likelihood | D. Unlikely | Risk Rating | Medium |
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Medium



Cost of Controls Nil

Is this reasonably practicable? Yes No

Hazard Task/Scenario * Working in cabinet

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Hazard Category * Biological

Associated Harm * Infection and disease
Needlestick injury
Small spills



Existing Controls * PPE (Lab coat, Safety glasses and latex/nitrile gloves and closed in shoes) including tying back long hair. Ensure that gloves cover gown cuffs at the wrist: no skin should be exposed. Work within PC2 or QC2 containment laboratory as required.
Awareness of Eye wash and First Aid kit in Lab
Do not re-sheath needles, use of sharps container.
Small Spillages will be decontaminated with 1% Bleach, 70w/v% Ethanol or Cavicide

Additional Controls

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| Risk Consequence | 3. Moderate | Risk Likelihood | D. Unlikely | Risk Rating | Medium |
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Medium



Cost of Controls

Is this reasonably practicable? Yes No

Hazard Task/Scenario Working in cabinet *

Hazard Category * Biological - Poor housekeeping

Associated Harm * Infection and disease



Existing Controls * Ineffective air cleansing may occur in BSC II cabinets which are excessively full (i.e. the air vents are obstructed and blocked). Ensure only minimal equipment needed for work is placed in BSC. Do not obstruct air vents. Cabinet needs to be tested and maintained on an annual basis. Check certification prior to work.

Additional Controls

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| Risk Consequence | 3. Moderate | Risk Likelihood | E. Rare | Risk Rating | Medium |
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Cost of Controls

Is this reasonably practicable? Yes No

Hazard Task/Scenario Disinfecting the cabinet *

Hazard Category * Chemical

Associated Harm * Burns; inhalation of ethanol fumes.



Existing Controls * Do not use "excessive amounts" of 80 v/v % ethanol in BSC when disinfecting.

Additional Controls

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| Risk Consequence | 2. Minor | Risk Likelihood | D. Unlikely | Risk Rating | Low |
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Cost of Controls

Is this reasonably practicable? Yes No

Other Risk Management Details

Date All Controls Implemented 4/07/2018

Emergency Procedures * Fire: Cover the fire with a fire blanket if it can be fully contained underneath the blanket otherwise use a fire extinguisher. Carbon dioxide or dry powder is suitable. Be prepared for re ignition, especially if equipment is involved: do not leave the scene unless fumes or smoke become hazardous. Exposure: remove contaminated protective clothing and examine your clothes for contamination which may have soaked through. If day clothing is contaminated, remove, and wash skin under running water immediately for 15 minutes or until medical attention arrives. Assess if any person requires medical attention – contact first aid officers if required. Advise others of the situation and clear the laboratory if required. Spill: See BABS SWP P7 for dealing with biological spills See BABS SWP P8 for dealing with chemical spills. Report incident to Lab Supervisor and School H&S representative. For

emergencies contact UNSW Security on x 56666

Competency and Training
Required

Tertiary education in related field plus appropriate training (eg UNSW Lab Safety Awareness) in
procedures and use of equipment.

Competency Levels *

[1. Read Document](#)

Only add descriptions below for competency levels chosen above

Training Description

Knowledge Test Description

License/Cert Description

Other Competency Description

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