Laboratory Personnel

The individuals working under the supervision of the Principal Investigator must:

- Follow campus and laboratory practices, policies, and SOPs and as outlined in the Campus and Laboratory CHPs;
- Attend all safety training as required by the Principal Investigator;
- Perform only procedures and operate only equipment that they have been authorized to use and trained to use safely;
- Check relevant information on the chemical reactivity and physical and toxicological properties of hazardous materials (such as the Material Safety Data Sheet or the Laboratory Safety Manual) prior to use of the material;
- Have knowledge of emergency procedures prior to working with hazardous chemicals;
- Incorporate safety in the planning of all experiments and procedures;
- Use the personal protective equipment and hazard control devices provided for his/her job;
- Routinely check that engineering controls are functioning;
- Ensure that equipment is safe and functional by inspection and preventative maintenance, including glassware, electrical wiring, mechanical systems, tubing and fittings, and high energy sources;
- Keep work areas clean and orderly;
- Avoid behavior which could lead to injury;
- Dispose chemical/hazardous waste according to university procedures;
- Report incidents involving chemical spills, exposures, work-related injuries, and illnesses or unsafe conditions to Principal Investigator; and,
- Consult with the Principal Investigator or with OEHS staff on any safety concerns or questions.