

## **Unattended and After Hours Experiments**

When you have to leave an experiment unattended notify someone in your group or your supervisor. After hours experiments must be approved through the PI/supervisor. Individual departments must implement policies concerning after hours experiments and laboratory access. A phone must be accessible to all after hours non-supervised laboratory users. Additionally, students are not allowed to work alone in the laboratory. Whenever it is necessary to have unattended operations occurring in a lab, it is important to ensure that safeguards are put into place in the event of an emergency. Laboratory personnel are strongly encouraged to adhere to the guidelines when it is necessary to carry out unattended operations.

**It is the responsibility of P.I.s and laboratory supervisors to ensure that procedures for unattended operations are developed and followed by personnel working in laboratories under their supervision. The P.I. should be aware at all times of all work being performed in their respective laboratory.**