COMPREHESIVE LAB SAFETY CHECKLIST

The SAFETY & ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT has developed this form to assist and inform USA faculty and staff in identifying and correcting potential laboratory hazards. If you have any questions regarding the contents of this checklist, please contact the Safety & Environmental Compliance Department at 460-7070.

	Yes	No	N/A
Laboratory Safety Assessment			
Chemical Hygiene Plan			
 Have all departments and research labs reviewed the Chemical hygiene plan? 			
 Are there any operations that require prior approval before beginning? (ex., Radiation Safety, Bio-safety committee) 			
Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's)			
 Are there written SOP's covering the basic laboratory safety and hygiene practices? Check last review date 			
 Is there a procedure for identifying particularly hazardous substances used in the lab? Do they have a department specific written procedure? Check last review date. 			
Training of laboratory personnel documented.			
Director/PI has utilized the provided Lab Training Matrix			
Training is current with Chemical Hygiene Plan & Hazard Communication Standard			
Training is complete on Hazardous waste management			
 Training is complete on Blood borne Pathogen requirements 			
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS			

• Laboratory doors are labeled with emergency

	Yes	No	N/A
Defined area for highly toxic or carcinogens clearly marked			
Secondary containment is provided for liquid chemicals			
 No hazardous materials are stored in, around under or above sinks 			
 Incompatible chemicals are segregated and stored in compatible hazard classes. 			

	Yes	No	N/A
Acutely Hazardous Substances			
Have all acutely hazardous substances been identified?			
 Is a current inventory available with appropriate SDS information? 			
 Are areas or hoods where these substances are in use posted with a designated hazard sign? 			

• Have special procedures for these substances been

	Yes	No	N/A
Training for personnel handling hazardous waste is documented?			
The Safety & Environmental Compliance Department is called for waste pick up when containers are ¾ full			
 Waste containers sturdy, compatible with the waste, routinely checked for leaks and kept closed when not be filled. 			
Waste is segregated by compatible storage groups			
 Are there any non-hazardous chemicals that are drain disposed? If so, what are they? 			
Labeling			
 All hazardous waste containers have the proper labels with the full chemical name or a list of full name and a percentage of each when waste mixtures are involved. 			

Yes	No	N/A

 Log of autoclave validation runs includes: date, time, duration of run, pressure, temperature and number of ampoules included in wast in



Yes	No	N/A	

	Yes	No	N/A
Non-Ionizing Radiation (NIR) Source			
Have proper warning signs been posted?			
Emergency Planning & Procedures			

• "In Case of Emergency" or "Emergency