

NOTE: As state and local regulations and guidance changes, this document will be updated.

As more researchers begin to transition back to in person research, EHS is reminding the research community of the safety protocols, protective measures, and ongoing controls in place in research spaces at UCI. EHS will continue performing periodic compliance checks to help foster and promote compliance in laboratory spaces.

Available resources to assist in Research transition:

Safety Protocol	Resources: Protective Measures and Controls
Checklist for Research Activities	https://ehs.uci.edu/public-health/covid-19/_pdf/returning/checklist-for-research.activities.pdf
Returning To Campus Training Requirements	https://ehs.uci.edu/public-health/covid-19/training-returning-to-campus.php
PPE for COVID-19 Protection	<p>https://ehs.uci.edu/public-health/covid-19/face-covering-distribution.php#face Contact safety@uci.edu or call (949) 824-6200 with your request for the following PPE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face Coverings • Face Shields <p>Thermometers may be purchased for any human clinical research. Please email safety@uci.edu for approval.</p>
Non-UCI Affiliates/Vendor Guidance Document	https://ehs.uci.edu/public-health/covid-19/_pdf/vendor-reference-guide.pdf
Working Alone in the Lab Reference Guide	https://ehs.uci.edu/public-health/covid-19/_pdf/returning/working-alone-reference-guide.pdf
Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC)	https://www.ehs.uci.edu/public-health/covid-19/hvac.php

<p>Cleaning Guidance and Cleaning Supplies</p>	<p>Email logisticsupportteam@uci.edu to obtain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disinfectant spray • Paper towels • Vinyl or PVC gloves <p>Cleaning Guidance for Laboratories: https://ehs.uci.edu/public-health/covid-19/_pdf/cleaning/lab-cleaning-guidance.pdf</p>
<p>How to Report a COVID Safety Concern</p>	<p>https://ehs.uci.edu/forms/report-injury/index.php</p>
<p>Positive or Suspected Case in the Work Place</p>	<p>https://ehs.uci.edu/public-health/covid-19/_pdf/outbreak-follow-up-flowchart.pdf</p>
<p>Water Coolers and Bottled Water Units</p>	<p>https://ehs.uci.edu/public-health/covid-19/_pdf/bottled-water-and-dispenser-units-guidance.pdf</p>
<p>Information for Staff Regarding Coronavirus</p>	<p>https://hr.uci.edu/disaster-relief/report-known-cases.php</p>
<p>Safety Information for Campus Visitors</p>	<p>https://www.ehs.uci.edu/campus-visitors/index.php</p>
<p>COVID Related Executive Directives and Policies</p>	<p>https://uci.edu/coronavirus/executive-directives/index.php</p>

Safety Lab Practices:

Many standard lab practices double as effective infection control measures:

- Staff should continue to wear the same PPE they use in normal conditions.
- Routine handwashing, especially performed after doffing gloves, assists in potentially preventing contamination from experiments onto clean surfaces. Handwashing also works well in limiting the spread of common illnesses.
- Maintain standard disinfection protocols and consider expanding them to surfaces in labs where staff frequently work.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please reference the EHS website at: www.ehs.uci.edu or contact EHS at (949) 824-6200 or at safety@uci.edu.