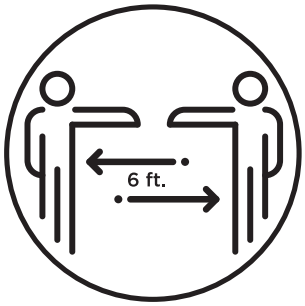
CLEANING PROCEDURES FOR GENERAL LABORATORIES

Below are recommendations on cleaning and disinfecting areas aimed at limiting the survival of SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) in key environments. These will be updated as additional information becomes available.

Immediately before cleaning any space

Employees should wear disposable gloves.



Stay at least 6 feet apart (about two arms' length) from other people.

Do not touch your eyes, nose or mouth.

Upon completion of cleaning, employees should

Remove disposable gloves and place in trash bag.

As soon as possible, wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

Routine Surface Cleaning

UCI Environmental Health & Safety recommends that employees wash common areas with soap and water to remove contamination and then wipe down these areas with a disinfectant, following manufacturer instructions for all cleaning and disinfecting products.

Common areas include: Laboratory fixtures, tabletops, media/reagent bottles, sashes of all ventilated cabinets (BSC and CFH), equipment handles (refrigerators, incubators, freezers, etc.), railings, doorknobs, light switches and plates, countertops, desks, phones, keyboards and mice, chairs, faucets, sinks and other frequently touched surfaces.

Cleaning frequency: EH&S recommends cleaning your laboratory space at the **beginning, middle and end of each day**.

Electronic devices: Use 60% alcohol-based wipes. When not available spray disinfectant into towel and wipe down space.

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