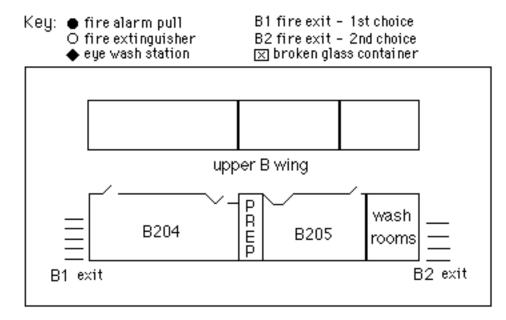
Safety features in B204 - Biology Lab



Safety in the Lab

All lab activities are potentially dangerous to varying degrees. We will review specific safety hazards for each lab.

Safe practices

- 1. Do not bring food or beverages into the laboratory to eat.
- 2. Always read and make sure you understand the lab and the potential safety hazards before you come to class. Wear safety goggles when instructed to do so.
- 3. Do not perform unauthorized experiments never mix, touch, taste, heat or inhale chemicals unless instructed to do so.
- 4. Be aware of correct disposal procedures. Not all materials can be flushed down the sink.
- 5. Do not use chipped, cracked or broken glassware. Inform teacher and dispose of broken glass in containers provided.
- 6. Keep all work surfaces and equipment clean. Report any broken equipment to your teacher.
- 7. When you conclude your work in the lab, make sure that your work surface is clean and dry and that all materials are returned to their proper place.
- 8. Wash you hands with soap and water after working in the lab.
- 9. Carry microscopes with two hands, ensure microscope is centered on table.
- 10. Handle dissecting instruments, such as scalpels and dissecting needles with care. Do not use razor blades or cutting instruments with more than one edge.
- 11. Secure specimens to be dissected in a dissecting tray, Never dissect a handheld specimen.
- 12. Preserved specimens may be filled with a preservative. Make your first incision slowly and carefully so that the chemical does not squirt into your eyes.
- 13. Dispose of all specimens in appropriate "biobags" provided. (not the garbage)

What to do in the case of an accident.

- 1. Report all accidents to your teacher, regardless of severity.
- 2. In the event of a serious accident, notify the main office by dialing "0" on the class phone.
- 3. If a chemical gets in your eye, use the eye wash and rinse for 15 minutes and then seek medical aid.