

Department of Environmental Health and Safety

Memorandum

TO: Occupants in Research and Teaching Laboratories at BST

FROM: Keith Duval - University of Pittsburgh Department of Environmental Health and Safety

DATE: October 17, 2023 – Revised July 2, 2024

RE: 2024 Chemical Waste Receiving Schedule (BST)

Below is the 2024 schedule for chemical waste receiving at the Biomedical Science Tower (BST). A representative from the University of Pittsburgh Department of Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) will be available at **BST South Room S201** (located on the BST loading dock near the South BST elevators) **every other week from** <u>10:00am to 11:00am</u> to receive chemical waste on the following dates:

Friday, January 5, 2024	Friday, July 5, 2024 (cancelled)
Friday, January 19, 2024	Friday, July 19, 2024
Friday, February 2, 2024	Friday, August 2, 2024
Friday, February 16, 2024	Friday, August 16, 2024
Friday, March 1, 2024	Friday, August 30, 2024
<u>Tuesday, March 12, 2024</u>	Friday, September 13, 2024
Friday, March 29, 2024	Friday, September 27, 2024
Friday, April 12, 2024	Friday, October 11, 2024
Friday, April 26, 2024	Friday, October 25, 2024
Friday, May 10, 2024	Friday, November 8, 2024
Friday, May 24, 2024	Friday, November 22, 2024
Friday, June 7, 2024	Friday, December 6, 2024
Friday, June 21, 2024	Friday, December 20, 2024

All chemical waste must be capped, and secondary containment (e.g. boxed or in a plastic bin and placed on a cart with sides, in a bucket, etc.) must be used when moving waste chemicals within the building. The freight elevators should be used for chemical transport, and **no gloves should be worn outside of the laboratory**. All waste containers must be labeled with an orange WASTE CHEMICALS label. The label must include:

- identity of contents with the common chemical name (no abbreviations or formulas)
- date
- name and extension of the individual generating the waste

The Chemical Waste Disposal Form should accompany the waste at the time of disposal. Please make copies of the form for future use. Electronic copies of this form can also be obtained via the EH&S website: <u>https://www.ehs.pitt.edu/sites/default/files/docs/Form-HazWasteDisposal.pdf</u>.

Chemical waste should never be abandoned on the dock at any time. Waste material will only be accepted at the designated time and date. Keep in mind that it is a violation of Federal, state and local regulations to dispose of chemicals via the drain, sewer, or general trash. Please utilize the University's chemical waste program for all excess and unwanted chemicals.

Any questions regarding chemical waste management in research labs should be directed to Jonathan Lundy at 412-624-8526 or Wayne Eakin at 412-624-2463. University of Pittsburgh EH&S should also be contacted in the event of any chemical releases at 412-624-9505.