Laboratory Safety

General guidelines

- Do not eat, drink, or apply makeup in the laboratory
- Wash your hands after removing latex gloves and before touching door handles.
- Think about what you touch with gloved hands. Are you potentially contaminating a surface?

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- Discard soiled countertop liners.
 Disinfect countertops each day.
- Use a biological safety hood if available.
- IF no biological safety hood is available use other protection when handling body fluids.



Documentation

- Write an SOP specific for your lab and review it with all employees.
- Document training of laboratory safety and yearly reviews.
- Enforce the rules so that they become second nature.