

BEST PRACTICES for the LN2 LAB

- Put all LN2 racks on the floor before pulling out boxes, don't pull boxes out inside LN2 tank.
- Clean up after yourself (i.e., broken glass, trash bin put outside when it's full, teamwork b/c there's no lab manager, put full BioHazard bins in Prep Lab Cold Room when full.)
- Lab counter should be cleaned off after each use.
- Cleaned items on drying rack should be put away when dry.
- Boxes with chemicals should be rinsed out.
- Broken glass: There is a white and blue cardboard box for disposal.
- Scalpel blades: NEVER leave them out. Do not put them on the drying rack. If you want to save it for later, put it back in the foil wrapping and store it in the Lab supplies drawer.
- Biohazard disposal: Go over what's biohazard and what's trash. There's no lab manager so if the biohazard gets full take it to Prep Lab yourself. You will have to call Prep Lab to get in or ask Carol/Chris/Carla for help.
- No drinking at lab bench. For now, keep drinks on the table near the door.
- Keep boxes with lids on shelves neatly stacked and clean off any writing/tape on the boxes.
- When pulling racks from either LN2 or -80, **do not leave out to thaw!**
- Always reinsert the rod securing the boxes in, for the LN2 chest freezer
- Put trash and recycling bins outside to be picked up BEFORE they are full.
- The blue bin is for paper recycling only. Cans and bottles need to go to another bin.
- Get supplies (peroxide, gloves, towels, bleach) from Herp Lab or ask Carol if they run out - we rely on users of lab to keep things stocked. If things are low in Herp, please email or ask Carol.
- No eating and no food trash in the bin!!! Room right next door is the pelt collection
- Remember to update white board (And ARCTOS!!) as things get moved around
- Headphone use: Not when you are alone as you cannot hear fire alarms in that room
- Do not breathe the vapor coming from the tanks while they are filling - Low O2!
- Let us know if the fans don't work and keep it pointed at the O2 intake.
- ALWAYS... if you don't know how to deal with something don't just leave it for someone else to find—call/email/text your supervisor (staff curator, not a grad student) right away if there's a problem.