## UCRIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA Environmental Health & Safety

## Guide for New Principal Investigators (PIs) and/or Supervisors

Principal Investigators and Lab Supervisors hold key responsibilities for the health and safety of laboratory personnel. Environmental Health & Safety (EH&S) wants to help you begin your research at UCR quickly, effectively and in compliance with environmental and occupational safety requirements.

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR RESPONSIBILITIES: The following list will satisfy the needs for the majority of Principal Investigators. Consult with your EH&S Lab Safety Mentor for assistance with any of the following requirements.

	Lab Safety Program Element	Online Resource		
Laboratory Hazard Assessment Tool (LHAT) and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)				
	Complete LHAT to identify hazards associated to your lab space and to obtain personal protective equipment (safety glasses and lab coats) from EH&S.	https://ehs.ucop.edu/lhat		
	Maintain current lab personnel roster via LHAT. Ensure they review and complete their portion of the Tool.	https://ehs.ucop.edu/lhat		
Training				
	Ensure all lab personnel have completed the foundational training per UC Policy	ucrlearning.ucr.edu		
	Lab Safety Orientation (fundamentals) 2013			
	Hazardous Waste Management			
	Fire Extinguisher			
	Ensure additional safety training is completed based on the unique hazards in the lab (bloodborne pathogens, shop safety, biosafety, radiation producing machines, etc.)	ucrlearning.ucr.edu		
	Ensure that each worker has completed lab site specific training before they	See Lab Site-Specific Training		
	handle materials in the laboratory and that the training is documented.	Checklist		
	Provide access to Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for all chemicals.	https://ehs.ucr.edu/services/msd		
		<u>s.html</u>		
Chen	Chemical Inventory			
	Establish/Maintain a Chemical Inventory using the cloud-based chemical inventory management tool – UC Chemicals. Update annually or when new inventory arrives.	https://ehs.ucop.edu/chemicals/		
Laboratory Safety Manuals				
	Maintain a written Chemical Hygiene Plan (CHP). The CHP can be maintained either in hard copy or with an easily accessible link to an electronic copy.	https://ehs.ucr.edu/laboratory/C HP/currentchps.html		
	Maintain copies your Biosafety Manual, Exposure Control Plan, or Radiation	Environmental Health and Safety		
	Manual, as applicable. Templates are available from EH&S.	https://ehs.ucr.edu/		
	Create and maintain Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for safely handling			
	hazardous materials, such as carcinogens, reproductive or developmental toxins,			
	acute toxins, biological hazards, radiological hazards, etc.			
Hazardous Waste				
	Learn how to manage your chemical, radiological, biological and universal waste.	ucrlearning.ucr.edu		
Emergency Management				
	Create an emergency placard and post at every entrance to an area with	https://econtact.ucr.edu		
	chemical, radioactive or biological hazards to aid emergency responders and			
	comply with fire safety regulations.			
	Familiarize with campus Emergency Contact information.			
	• UCPD 951-827-5222 (cell phone)			
	• 9-1-1 (landline)			
	• EH&S (951) 827 – 5528			

## UCRIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA Environmental Health & Safety

	Familiarize where your Building's Emergency Assembly Area is located campus	http://campusmap.ucr.edu/emer gency/	
Laboratory Safety Inspections			
	Familiarize yourself with the Laboratory Safety Survey Checklist. EH&S Lab Safety Mentors will inspect your laboratory safety annually. All items requiring follow up must be corrected in a timely manner.		
	Use the Laboratory Safety binder provided by EH&S to hold and track all work unit safety related items, including signed SOPs, training checklists and lab safety surveys.		
Rese	arch Authorizations		
	<ul> <li>Review and follow the Research Approval and Training Requirement</li> <li>Obtain necessary authorization from a campus committee or EH&amp;S for research involving: <ul> <li>Animal use</li> <li>Human subjects</li> <li>Biohazardous materials (i.e. bacteria, viral vectors, recombinant DNA, human materials, stem cells)</li> <li>Controlled substances</li> <li>Radioactive materials, radiation producing equipment, lasers</li> <li>Respirators</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	https://ehs.ucr.edu/laboratory/R esearch_Approval_and_Training Requirement_final.pdf	
Injur	Injury/Incident Reporting Procedures		
	Know how to Report an Incident	https://ehs.ucr.edu/	
	Know how to Report an Injury using the Employee First Report of Injury online form	https://ehs.ucop.edu/efr/home	
	Post the UCR Emergency Procedures Flyer (available from EH&S)		
	Post the UCR Injuries and Medical Treatment poster (available from EH&S)		