## Laboratory Safety Bulletin

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## DONNING AND DOFFING PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

## Donning PPE

Don (put on) PPE before entering lab or work area if possible, or before starting work.

- 1. Clean your hands. Wash your hands using proper techniques (lather with soap for at least 20 seconds, and rinse with warm water) or use hand sanitizer.
- 2. Put on lab coat or similar protective clothing.
- 3. Put on respiratory PPE like a face mask, if required.
  - N95 masks require a valid fit test certificate.
- 4. Put on eye protection. This can be safety glasses or face shield.
- 5. Put on gloves. When taking the gloves out of the box, avoid touching the finger portion of the gloves. Check for tears or holes before working.

## **Doffing PPE**

Doff (remove) PPE before exiting lab or after all work has been completed.

- 1. Remove gloves. Peel gloves off by grabbing cuff near the wrist. Discard immediately.
- 2. Remove lab coat or protective clothing.
  - Avoid contaminating personal clothing while removing lab coat. Store reusable PPE in its designated space.
  - Discard disposable PPE immediately; never place used or contaminated PPE on surfaces used for other purposes, i.e. where you place your notebooks, laptop, etc.
- 3. Wash hands or use hand sanitizer.
- 4. Remove eye protection.
- 5. Remove respiratory PPE.
- 6. Wash hands or use hand sanitizer again.

Please amend your SOP to include additional or different PPE required for your work or access to a space.

