EHS Newsletter



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2020 Hazardous Waste Report

The EHS Hazardous Waste Program is responsible for managing and disposing of all chemical and biological wastes generated at Weill Cornell Medicine. Our Hazardous Waste Report is designed to provide WCM's research and clinical communities with an overview of chemical and biological waste generation on campus during the 2020 calendar year, as well as waste management and minimization strategies.



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Decontamination vs. Disinfection vs. Sterilization: Selecting the Right Cleaning Process

In a biological and biomedical laboratory setting, cleaning practices have always been the top priority to prevent the spread of harmful pathogens. Whether the goal is decontamination, disinfection, or sterilization, choosing the correct process and cleaning agent for the task is critical. Learn about



common laboratory disinfectants, how to select the best one based on your needs, and additional resources available to you through EHS.

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Safety Tips for Your Summer Barbeque

Fire up the grill! It's summertime, and there's nothing better than a barbeque. Before you press the ignition button or light the charcoal, Weill Cornell Medicine Fire Safety would like to remind you to keep these simple, essential BBQ safety tips in mind and not make your BBQ memorable for all the wrong reasons.



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Respiratory Protection Program

The COVID-19 pandemic highlighted the importance of the proper use of respiratory protection and dramatically increased the need for respiratory protection and education for Weill Cornell Medicine faculty, staff, and students. EHS has always maintained a robust respiratory protection program, but this year was the biggest test for that program that we've seen so far.



Webinar: Volatile Chemicals & BSCs:

How Much is Safe?

In a biological safety cabinet (BSC), what chemical concentration is safe? Can it vent to the room? And what is the explosion or chemical exposure limit? While no universal volume of any volatile chemical should be deemed safe to work within a Type A2 BSC, there is a tool to find the safe working concentration of each specific chemical that can be used to aid an accurate risk assessment.

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