GUIDELINES from june 8, 2020

Our laboratory is Type III: a maximum of 6 people are authorized at the same time in the lab (cryostat and boxes included).

**Before coming:**

To avoid the influx of people, users must register or submit a request (via PPMS) and verify with the booking system that the limit of 6 persons simultaneous in the local is respected. This obligation applies to all persons who wish to access the service. Including:
- all people who benefit from a “forfait” access (active badge) to our Platform.
- all persons who must deposit samples for dehydration, blocks to be sectioned or slides to be stained by the laboratory technicians.

For reasons of equity and organization between all the groups, we ask all users to wait until they have finished a session before booking another one. It will be imperative to respect the time schedules of each session.

**Material to bring:**

Each user must bring their own paraffin and cryostat instruments.
(pliers, blades, pikes, brushes, pencils, scotch tape, scraper or any other object necessary to coat, cut, mount, stain as well as mandatory protective glasses to look at microscope)

Next to each workstation, you can find:
- a spray bottle containing disinfectant to clean the workplace before and after use, its own equipment, magnifying glass, blade holders that go to the oven ...
- household paper
- a paper tissue box

**Details for each station:**

- **Heating plates (lab and boxes):** there is a beaker and a mounting pan, which must be cleaned with soapy water and replaced after each use.
- **Staining and immuno batteries:** wearing of gloves is mandatory ! there are boxes of gloves of size S, M and L
- **Embedding station:** wearing gloves is mandatory. At the end of the session, clean and store in order the molds. No blocks should remain on the cooling plate
- **Cryostat:** wearing gloves is mandatory. Clean the workplace before and after use.
- **Presto freezing system:** Book by email preferably at least 48 hours in advance. Wearing gloves is mandatory.

Gloves are also mandatory to handle all the recovery bottles and cans.

Each user is also requested to clean all the buttons, the handles of the microwave, the ovens, the fridge, the freezer, cryostat windows, cupboards, etc.

The Histology core facility will not provide hydro-alcoholic gels, but there will always be liquid soap for hand washing next to the sinks and household paper that has replaced cotton tea towels.

For all other requests, contact us by email at our generic address: 

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