



IMPORTANT NOTICE - COVID-19

USE OF SHARED EQUIPMENT

MEASURES TO PREVENT CONTAMINATION AND PROMOTE EFFECTIVE DESINFECTION

Cleaning and disinfecting objects and surfaces, especially those that are frequently touched (such as doorknobs, handles, tabletops, etc.) can help prevent the spread of COVID-19. The following rules are implemented to prevent potential contamination of shared equipment.

Shared instruments includes:

- qPCR instruments
- Microscopes (E03.4037 and E03.2370)
- Gel documentation system (E03.4073, E03.2144)
- Flow cytometers (E03.2054)
- SeaHorse Flux Analyzer (E03.4047)
- Plate readers: Tecan M200 (E03.4073), Luminex (E03.4134)

Prevention measures:

The computer keyboards of shared instruments have been disinfected and covered with a plastic protector to prevent contamination and facilitate cleaning.

Applicable to all users of shared equipment:

- 1- Plan your experiment trying to minimize moving from one room to another.
- 2- Prior using a shared equipment, **wash your hands with soap** and warm water for at least 20sec.
- 3- **Wear a new pair of gloves**, prior touching any surfaces of the equipment, including the computer.
- 4- **Spray 70% ethanol on a tissue or paper towel and wipe the surfaces:** tabletop, plastic covered keyboard, computer mouse, external surface of the instrument and instrument command buttons.

DO NOT SPRAY LIQUIDS DIRECTLY ON EQUIPMENT OR ON COMPUTERS, USE A WIPE!

- 5- As much as possible and safe, handle biohazard materials with only one of your hand, keeping the other hand clean for operating the equipment.
- 6- Change your glove as needed or as soon as a contamination with biohazard material is suspected.
- 7- When you are done with your experiment, **disinfect all the surfaces with 70% ethanol** as previously.
- 8- Discard you gloves and **wash your hands.**

WASH YOUR HANDS



WEAR GLOVES



DESINFECT SURFACES

