

Preventive Maintenance Shut Down Notice October 7 - October 11

The Birck Nanotechnology Center will be undergoing a semi-annual preventive maintenance and service shutdown October 7 through October 11, 2013. Air handling systems, exhaust systems, toxic gas delivery, and monitoring systems will be down beginning at 7 a.m. Monday, October 7 through 4 p.m. Friday, October 11. The BNC staff will be performing appropriate preventive maintenance on the process equipment at this time as well.

All CLEANROOM research work will be suspended until the maintenance activities are completed and all systems are returned to normal. No one will be allowed to enter the cleanroom during this time period.

In addition, the laboratory areas will also be affected by this systems maintenance. As such, all LABORATORY activities that involve exhausted hoods, vacuum systems, and/or toxic gas systems will be down beginning 9 a.m. Monday, October 7 through 4 p.m. Friday, October 11. However, work that involves taking standard electrical measurements may be carried out in the LABS provided that fluctuating air temperature and humidity do not affect the readings. No chemical work will be allowed during this period.

It is anticipated that the building and process tool maintenance will be completed by the end of the day on Friday, October 11. Please check Coral for equipment status and availability.

Due to the new lab expansion projects electrical outages are required that will mainly affect the office areas. We will send out a notice with a date and time of the power outage when we have more detailed information from Physical Facilities.

For long term research planning please refer the following future dates for our future preventive maintenance shutdowns.

- Week of May 5, 2014 (Possible power outage of lab research tools)
- Week of October 13, 2014
- Week of May 4, 2015
- Week of October 12, 2015
- Week of May 2, 2016

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding during these important preventive maintenance shutdowns.

BNC Management