Overview: The following guidance is for laboratories and research facilities performing critical research and maintaining an on-campus presence while the majority HSU/SPF personnel have transitioned to telecommuting.

The CDC recommends cleaning surfaces that are frequently touched. The cleaning and disinfection of touch points in laboratory areas is the responsibility of research personnel.

High-touch locations and equipment: The following are locations and equipment with high frequency of handling and contact. These surfaces represent a higher probability of viral loading in the work area and should be disinfected on a routine basis.

- Benchtops
- Equipment handles and latches
- Equipment controls and touchpads
- Fume hood and biosafety cabinet sahes
- Lab doors, drawers, and cabinet handles
- Bin and water incubator lids
- Hand tools
- Micropipettors and other shared tools
- Faucet handles and sprayer grips
- Baskets, bins, trays, etc
- Outsides of shared bottles and caps
- Chair backs and armrests
- Pens, whiteboard markers, etc.

Approved Disinfectants:

- Use a disinfectant that is certified by the EPA to be effective against the COVID-19 coronavirus. Be sure to follow the directions on the product label.
- Freshly prepared 10% bleach solution.
- 70% ethanol is appropriate for electronics and other delicate surfaces.

Personal Protective Equipment: Be sure to wear appropriate PPE when performing all laboratory tasks, including surface disinfection of laboratory surfaces. At a minimum, lab coat, gloves, and safety glasses should be worn when performing surface disinfection of laboratory surfaces.