

## Chemical & Biological Transport Policy JABSOM KAKA'AKO

All laboratories at JABSOM Kaka'ako operate at a minimum of the "Biosafety Level 2" and therefore, material leaving these laboratories and entering the building's common areas (lobbies, elevators, etc) need to be packaged and transported properly. Proper packaging is especially important since these common areas are "clean" areas where students, visitors, regulatory inspectors, etc. can come into contact with this potentially hazardous material.

### PROPER PACKING

Chemical and biological material that are leaving the laboratory and entering the common areas should be packed in a leak-proof container with a closed-lid. Some examples of proper packing containers are plastic buckets, commercial solvent carries, trays, tubs, etc. If you are using the container to transport highly corrosive chemicals, you must ensure that the container is chemical resistant. The manufacture can provide this information for you.

### PROPER LABELING

Chemical and biological material should be labeled so that in the event of an accident, the spilled material can easily be identified.

### PROPER TRANSPORTATION

When moving chemical and biological material from the laboratory, it is good practice to minimize the amount of time that this material is in the common areas. It is also good practice to move these items with a cart, dolly, or hand-truck so that your hands are still free to open doors and push elevator buttons.

While transporting these items through the common "clean" areas of the building, you must remove your gloves, labcoats, etc and can wear them again once back in the laboratory setting. These common "clean" areas are not at the BSL2 level like the laboratories are which is why gloves, labcoats, etc must not be worn in these areas of the building.

### **NOTE:**

***If the improper packing or transporting of a chemical or biological material results in an accident, the research group that is responsible for the chemical spill or biological release will pay all clean up costs associated with the accident.***