

Guided Exercise: Laboratory Design Review

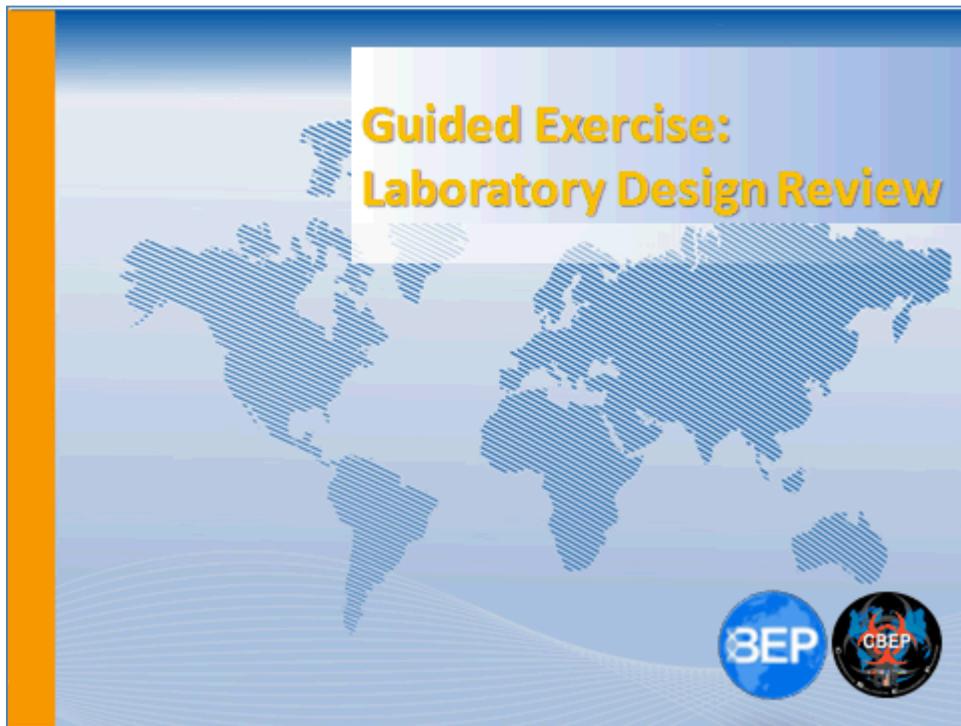
Instructor Guide





Welcome & Introductions

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Ground rules

This will be a very interactive session and you will learn the most if you participate fully. We will not intentionally force any one to speak or to do an activity that embarrasses them – if you are uncomfortable, please speak to one of the instructors. For those of you who like to talk, please share your expertise but be aware of those around you who may be quieter and give them time to share their opinion as well. We ask that everyone respect the break times and report back promptly when asked to do so. But most of all, we want to make this a fun time to learn, so remember to smile and enjoy yourself!



Transition to Key Messages



Welcome & Introductions



Goal

To review the Key Messages for the Guided Exercise and to solicit any additional learning goals from the participants.



Time

5 minutes

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Key Messages

- Risk assessment should be a primary driver of the laboratory design process and selection of biorisk mitigation strategies.
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Lecture

There are numerous aspects to the laboratory design process that will lead to a successful laboratory facility project. Laboratory design requires the input of many stakeholders, providing guidance throughout every phase of the process to include space programming, pre-design criteria, layout analysis, and design approvals. This guided exercise will provide students with the opportunity to apply the knowledge they have gained from various Laboratory Design courses by reviewing a laboratory plan and identifying and discussing areas where design can enhance biosafety and biosecurity.

Welcome & Introductions



Background information for Instructor

The goal of this exercise is to strengthen the student's confidence and ability to review laboratory design documents from a risk based perspective, including:

- Demonstrating comfort and familiarity with laboratory design documents
- Demonstrating comfort and familiarity with laboratory design best practices
- Identifying issues that may affect biosafety and biosecurity
- Providing critical analysis and recommend mitigation strategies

The exercise is intended for those who have taken previous GBRMC Laboratory Design courses and want to be able to lead or aid in the creation of safe and efficient laboratory designs.



Transition to Small Group Activity – Part I



Time

15 minutes

Small Group Activity – Part I

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Small Group Activity – Part I

Part I – Scenario review and research goals

In your small groups, please spend **15 minutes** reviewing the laboratory design scenario and research goals provided in your worksheet.

Select the research goals from the options provided (pick one agent, one laboratory animal model, and any specialized equipment or procedures that may be necessary).

BEP



Small group activity (15 minutes).



Activity Instructions (to students)

1. Inform students they will be working in groups according to the tables at which they are seated. If during introductions you find that students of one 'type' are all seated together (ie all biosafety at one table, managers at another, designers at another etc) ask a few to move to create a mix of backgrounds at each table.
2. Hand out the Guided Exercise: Laboratory Design Review student worksheets and copies of the laboratory design.
3. In your groups, please spend 15 minutes reviewing the laboratory design scenario and research goals provided in your worksheet.
4. Select the research goals from the options provided in the worksheet (i.e. pick one pathogen, one laboratory animal model, and any specialized equipment or procedures that may be necessary).



You have 15 minutes to complete this activity

Directions for Instructor:

- Ensure students have laboratory design and student worksheet.
- Observe the student's discussions and ensure they are discussing the scenario and reviewing the options for their research goals.
- Allow groups 15 minutes to discuss and choose their research goals

Small Group Activity – Part I

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Small Group Activity – Part I

Part I – Scenario

You and your research team need additional laboratory space for your research program. Identify your **research goals** (i.e. pathogen(s), small animal models, etc.) and any special equipment and/or procedures you may need to conduct your research. With this information in mind, review the proposed laboratory design and determine if the necessary biorisk mitigation strategies **for your selected research goals** have been included.



Small group activity.



Activity Instructions (to students)

1. Read the Scenario.



Small Group Activity – Part I

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Small Group Activity – Part I

Part I – Research goals

In your groups, please select one(1) **pathogen** from the following list:

| | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brucellosis sp. | <input type="checkbox"/> Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI), H5N1 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chikungunya | <input type="checkbox"/> Leptospirosis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dengue Fever Virus | <input type="checkbox"/> Malaria |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Foot and Mouth Disease Virus | <input type="checkbox"/> Mycobacterium tuberculosis |



Small group activity.



Activity Instructions (to students)

1. Research Goals:
 - a. Read the pathogen options
 - b. Ask the student to select one option.



Small Group Activity – Part I

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Small Group Activity – Part I

Part I – Research goals

In your groups, please select one(1) **laboratory animal model** from the following list:

- Arthropod
- Avian
- Murine/Small Rodent
- Primate (Small)



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Small group activity.



Activity Instructions (to students)

1. Research Goals:
 - a. Read the laboratory animal model options.
 - b. Ask the students to select one option.



Small Group Activity – Part I

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Small Group Activity – Part I

Part I – Research goals

In your groups, please identify any **special equipment or procedures** from the following list:

| | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Media/Tissue Culture | <input type="checkbox"/> Shakers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PCR | <input type="checkbox"/> Cold storage (Fridges or Freezers) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Incubator | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Centrifuge | |

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Small group activity.



Activity Instructions (to students)

1. Research Goals:

- a. Read the options for special equipment and procedures.
- b. Ask the students to select option(s) appropriate for their research goals.



Transition to Small Group Activity – Part II



Time

60 minutes

Small Group Activity – Part II

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Small Group Activity – Part II

Part II – Laboratory design review

In your small groups, please spend **60 minutes** reviewing the laboratory design and addressing the questions provided in your worksheet.

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Small group activity (60 minutes).



Activity Instructions (to students)

1. Read slide.



You have 60 minutes to complete this activity

Directions for Instructor:

- Ensure students have laboratory design and student worksheet.
- Observe the student's discussions and ensure they are discussing the laboratory design and risk-based mitigation strategies.
- Allow groups 60 minutes to review the laboratory design.

Small Group Activity – Part II

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Small Group Activity – Part II



- Based on your responses in **Part I**, review the laboratory design and identify:
 - Personnel flow,
 - Material flow, and
 - Waste flow
- It may be helpful to use different colored pens for each flow diagram.





Small group activity.



Activity Instructions (to students)

1. Discuss the laboratory design layout, pointing out various features (i.e. high risk lab space, high risk animal holding, cage wash areas, etc.).
2. Ask the students if they have any questions regarding the layout.
 - a. Record any student responses.
3. Based on their responses to Part I, instruct the students to identify (on their laboratory design layouts):
 - a. Personnel flow,
 - b. Material flow, and
 - c. Waste flow

Expected Responses

- Personnel flow should identify how laboratorians enter, move throughout, and exit the facility. For additional discussion points, appropriate access controls may also be considered.
- Material flow should identify how laboratory material (i.e. supplies, reagents, animals, etc.) enter and move throughout the facility, and how they are brought out if applicable.
- Waste flow should identify where waste is generated and how it is removed from the facility.



Small Group Activity – Part II

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Small Group Activity – Part II

Part II – Laboratory design review

- Based on your **laboratory flows** identified in the previous step, identify areas in the design where operational inefficiencies or biosafety and biosecurity deficiencies could potentially create a hazardous situation.
- For any hazardous situations identified in the laboratory design, develop a **mitigation strategy** and suggest modifications to the design that will eliminate or reduce the hazard and increase operational efficiency and improve biosafety and biosecurity.

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Small group activity.



Activity Instructions (to students)

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Expected Responses

Hazard Identification:

- Improper material or waste handling (i.e. no autoclave)
- Inadequate material storage (i.e. agent storage outside containment)
- Incorrect equipment selection and/or placement (i.e. BSC type and/or location, dunk tank from containment into inner change)
- Inefficient movement of materials/personnel (i.e. cage washer, personnel shower in outer change area, gas cylinders on dirty cage side,)
- Other (i.e. vet office inside containment, no separate animal procedure space, very large high risk lab, fume hoods inside high risk labs, cage wash maintenance on dirty side, etc.)

Hazard Mitigation:

- Install autoclave
- Reconfigure entry/exit
- Reduce/consolidate lab space
- Relocate BSCs, remove fume hoods
- Relocate to dunk tank
- Move gas cylinders outside containment, pipe gas through walls
- Provide access to cage wash components from outside containment barrier
- Add space for animal procedures
- Create pathway for clean materials (i.e. cages, cage racks)
- Relocate agent storage inside containment



Small Group Activity – Part II

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Small Group Activity – Part II

Part II – Laboratory design review

- How will ensure the **performance** of the mitigation strategy and modifications you have recommended in the previous step?

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Small group activity.



Activity Instructions (to students)

1. How will ensure the **performance** of the mitigation strategy and modifications you have recommended in the previous step?

Expected Responses

- Identify relevant legal and/or reporting requirements
- Pre- and post-design risk assessment
- SOP design and verification
- Testing and quality control
- Staff performance
- Audits and inspections (Instructor can connect this to CWA 15792 Section 4.5.5)
- Incident response assessment
- Benchmarking with peer institutions
- Dry-runs and mock exercises with laboratory staff
- Other?
 - Document unique responses from students



Transition to Small Group Activity – Presentations



Time

45 minutes

Small Group Activity – Presentations

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Small Group Activity – Presentations

Laboratory Design Review Presentations (45 minutes)

- Based on your laboratory design review, **one member from each group** will identify **one** issue and **one** mitigation strategy.
- The process will continue and rotate between each group until all issues have been identified or time runs out, whichever comes first.

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Small group activity.



Activity Instructions (to students)

1. Based on your laboratory design review, **one member from each group** will identify **one** issue and **one** mitigation strategy.
2. The process will continue and rotate between each group until all issues have been identified or time runs out, whichever comes first.
3. Encourage students to discuss the strengths and weaknesses of the laboratory design.
4. Encourage students to define the risk-based criteria that were used to develop their biorisk mitigation strategies.

Expected Responses



Transition to Review and Wrap up



Time

15 minutes

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Final Review

Review

For **15 minutes**, let's discuss what we have learned about **Laboratory Design Review**.

What did we learn?

What does it mean?

Where do we go from here?



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