BL1 Laboratory Practices

- 1. Keep laboratory door closed when experiments are in progress.
- 2. Use procedures that minimize aerosols.
- 3. Do not smoke, eat, drink or store food in BL1 areas.
- 4. Wear laboratory gowns or coats when appropriate.
- 5. Do not mouth pipette. Use mechanical pipetting devices.
- 6. Avoid using hypodermic needles.
- 7. Wash hands after completing experimental procedures and before leaving laboratory.

- 8. Disinfect work surfaces daily and immediately after a spill.
- Decontaminate all biological wastes before discard.
 Decontaminate other contaminated materials before washing, reuse, or discard.
- 10. For off-site decontamination, package contaminated materials in closed, durable, leakproof containers.
- 11. Control insect and rodent infestations.
- 12. Keep areas neat and clean.