Controlled Substances Program (CSP)

All labs which will use controlled substances in animal research must register with the BU Controlled Substances Program (CSP). The authorized handlers in your lab will need to complete training on proper procedures for working with and tracking controlled substances.

Please keep in mind that only authorized handlers may work with controlled substances.

Additional information regarding the program, including FAQs, is available online.

E-Mail: csp@bu.edu
Telephone: (617) 638-4510

Disposing of Controlled Substances

Please contact the Controlled Substances Program at csp@bu.edu to request a drug pickup.

Isoflurane Disposal

Isoflurane should be disposed of as a toxic hazardous waste. Please follow these steps for proper disposal:

1. Place a hazardous waste label on bottle.
2. Write ‘Isoflurane’ as contents.
3. Check off the “Toxic” box.
4. Write the date the bottle is full or you consider it full and want it to be picked up.
5. Place an online waste pickup: CRC Waste Request BUMC/BMC Waste Request

For more information regarding toxic waste disposal, please view the EHS hazardous waste guidelines.

Policy Focus: Expired Medical Materials

Did you know that there is a policy regarding the conditional use of expired medical materials?

This policy provides guidelines for the use of expired medical products, such as saline and sutures. It is acceptable to use some materials after expiration, with some caveats.

This policy also provides the expiration period for drug mixtures and aliquots.

Review the policy online: Expired Medical Materials

Compliance Corner

Drug mixtures and aliquots put into a sealed, sterile container are considered expired after 7 days (unless the drug expires before that).

Ketamine-xylazine mixtures can be stored for up to 30 days.

REMEMBER:
Ensure that you label all drug mixtures with the contents, expiration date, and mix date.

NOTE: The expiration duration is under review; users should expect an update soon.