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### Practical Strategies that Work in University Research Groups



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- The following slide is a template for a chemical inventory available from EHS @
- <u>http://www.ehs.ualberta.ca/en/EHSDivisions/</u>
   <u>OccupationalHygieneandChemicalSafety.aspx</u>
- Look under "Divisional Documentation"
- And you can modify the template to fit your



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Dept:				University of Alberta					Building Name:											
Principle Investi				ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & SAFETY					Building Number:											
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- The following slide is an example of a log and can very easily be written in word to fit your lab maintenance routine
- Allows you to monitor what regular maintenance is done or... not done
- It was suggested (Gord Winkel) that you can also use the more comprehensive Engineering Lab Inspection form



#### Sample log

#### CME XYZ Monthly Maintenance for \_\_\_\_\_ (month, year)

Action	Y	Name	Comments
Flush eye wash station (3minutes) 1			Date:
Flush eye wash station (3minutes) 2			Date:
Flush eye wash station (3minutes) 3			Date:
Flush eye wash station (3minutes) 4			Date:
Flush eye wash station (3minutes) 5			Date:
Check supplies			
Check waste chemicals – label, place in appropriate cabinet & arrange for disposal			
Inspect Spill Kit			
Inspect First Aid Kit			
Chemical inventory			
Check chemical expiry dates and storage conditions			
Update MSDS as necessary			
Clean benchtops and glass cabinets – general cleaning			
Clean sink			
Update electronic copy of chemical inventory			
Complete Engineering Safety Checklist			

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:



## Records of all Training

- The hard cover lab note book
- Students are very likely to hang on to them
- Unlike a list you can put in details of the training was, and maybe better if there is an incident



# Training on line

- WHMIS
- Laboratory Safety
- More training is being put online, but you must keep checking, no announcement is made
- http://www.ehs.ualberta.ca/en/ Training.aspx



## Things to ponder

- Hard copies of MSDS or electronic copies?
- Hazard Assessment/Safe Work
   Procedure: they keep you updated as to
   how your equipment is run including
   modification to the equipment.
- Lab coats/safety glasses: remember to always wear them when you go in the lab