**ATTENTION:**

**Reopening Policies: TSB-BioBank**

**The following guidelines are to be followed by all TSB-BioBank clients in TSB-BioBank spaces; TSB-BioBank spaces include WIMR I Room 2058 and WIMR I Room 2052.**

**NOTE: Access to the TSB-BioBank Cell Culture Room (WIMR I Room 2054) is restricted to TSB-BioBank staff only or with special arrangement.**

* All TSB-BioBank services are now ramping up during phase 2. This includes face to face human’s subject research. If you need samples, please contact the BioBank for assistance.
* Access to all TSB-BioBank spaces will be restricted to **ONE** user at a time; a second user will be allowed in the main TSB-BioBank laboratory space (WIMR I Room 2058) if and only if safe social distancing can be maintained (e.g., a minimum of 6 Foot Distance).
* Equipment Rental is available with the following restrictions:
  + The BioAnalyzer is available for use during phase 2. Please contact us to coordinate reservation and usage.
  + The Cryostats will be available by appointment only; a reservation is required 24 hours in advance and must first be approved by a TSB-BioBank staff member.
    - Cryosectioning of human GI and Respiratory tissue that is known COVID19 positive is **not** allowed.
    - Only 1 user is allowed at any time within the Cryostat Room (WIMR I Room 2052)

*Please see Cryostat User Checklist for more detailed instructions for safe use.*

* At a minimum, a face mask is required to be worn at all times; additional PPE is required when working with potentially biohazardous materials (e.g., unfixed human tissues, blood, etcetera)
  + An N95 respirator is required for all work with suspected COVID samples and/or for any unfixed human tissues collected on or after November 1st 2019.
  + When working with potentially biohazardous materials, in addition to an N95 respirator, gloves and a lab coat are also required.
* Sample drop-off/pick-up is by appointment only; the TSB-BioBank specimen receiving window will remain closed at all times, a cart will instead be used for dropping off and/or picking up any samples, kits, etcetera.
* All laboratory surfaces (benchtops, handles, equipment, etcetera) are required to be disinfected with an appropriate disinfectant cleaner (Conflikt Disinfection Spray, 10% Bleach, 70% Ethanol) following use.

**Please direct any questions/concerns to the TSB-BioBank Staff**

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