Personal protective equipment (PPE) helps minimize exposure to hazards

Basic protection for most laboratories include:

Lab coats, gloves, safety glasses or goggles, closed-toe shoes, and long pants.

- Gloves should be selected based on the chemical or physical hazard present. Gloves should be worn within the laboratory only and not in common areas.

- Chemical splash goggles or goggles and face shields should be worn when there is a risk of splashing hazardous materials or flying particles.

- Respirators may be required for protection against airborne contaminants. Medical clearance and fit testing are required prior to use: EHS Respiratory Protection Program

- Any laboratory operation that exposes laboratory personnel to a significant noise source may require hearing protection. Noise assessment and recommendations: EHS Hearing Conservation Program

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