

REUSE AND RECYCLING IN TEACHING AND RESEARCH LABORATORIES

- **Chemicals, Equipment and Materials:** Excess chemicals, equipment & materials can be donated or shared through the ChEM Reuse program administered by the Office of Campus Sustainability.
Visit: <http://ehs.umich.edu/hazardous-waste/chem-reuse-program/>
- **Electronics:** All electronics with circuit board (working or not) should be sent to UM Property Disposition located at 3241 Baxter Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-2155. Phone: 764-2470.
- **Bulbs:** Your building facilities maintenance department will replace the bulbs and collect the old ones from your lab. Bulbs from lab equipment such as microscopes that contain mercury should be collected and disposed of through EHS Hazardous Materials Management (HMM) group. Phone: 763-4568.
- **Batteries:** Collect used batteries and contact EHS HMM (763-4568) group for proper disposal. Many buildings have battery collection bucket. HMM can assist with the location.
- **Glass:** Glass is not recycled. Decontaminate glass and place in designated cardboard boxes for disposal.
- **Uncontaminated Plastic Bottles/Materials (Plastic #1, #2 & #4, #5, #6 & #7):** Collect in recycling bins placed in the office area or in the hallways outside the lab. No recycling containers are allowed in the lab.
- **Ice Packs & Styrofoam Boxes:** Contact Sudhakar Reddy at redv@umich.edu for details.
- **Pipette Tip Boxes:** These can be recycled through Fisher Scientific. Send an email to sustainable-labs@umich.edu to request boxes with prepaid mailing labels. Collect your boxes from the nearest loading dock.
- **Cartridges from Water Purification System:** Recycle them through manufacturer.
- **Used Pens/Pencils/Crayons:** Collect them in a box and recycle through Recycle Write program. Visit www.recycle.umich.edu. Send an email to recycle@umich.edu for a pick up when the box is full.
- **Paper Waste:** Establish paper waste recycling practices as follows:
 - Place the recycling bins in office area or in the hallways.
 - Confidential paper bins can be kept in the lab as long as they are locked. Deposit only clean paper waste into these bins. Paper waste containing body fluids should be disposed of as bio-waste in designated containers.
- **Cardboard/Bubble Wrap/Peanuts/Styrofoam:**
 - Leave this waste stream in the corridor or in the dock area of your building for recycling.
 - Pack peanuts and Styrofoam in the plastic bags and leave them in the dock area and send email to recycle@umich.edu for pick up by Grounds unit. *No bubble wrap or plastic air packs accepted.*
- **Toner Inkjet Cartridges/Laser Drums:** Call Mikan Corporation at 734-944-9447 to schedule for an appointment for a pick up from your lab. Mikan picks up their own products.