NOMEX® LAB COAT FACT SHEET

As part of the UCLA/UC Regents Settlement Agreement, Environment, Health and Safety will distribute Nomex® lab coats for users of pyrophoric chemicals free of charge. Please read and acknowledge procedures below:

1) Only those trained under the lab’s specific SOP can work with pyrophoric chemicals.

2) Always wear Nomex® laboratory coats when working with pyrophoric reagents. Cotton type clothing underneath Nomex lab coat must be worn during these procedures. No synthetic type clothing is allowed.

3) Nomex lab coats must be fully buttoned. Do not wear Nomex lab coats outside the laboratory.

4) Understand well the limitations of the FR garment. It may be necessary to supplement with flame-resistant gloves as additional PPE.

5) Proper care & maintenance:
   - Laundry – Do not use bleach as it can weaken the strength of FR fabric. Avoid using fabric softener and dryer sheets as they may contaminate the coat.
   - Tears – Remove from service and repair only with Nomex® fiber.
   - Exposure to other oxidizing chemicals should be avoided as these chemicals can compromise flame resistant properties of the garment.

6) Do not wear defective or damaged Nomex lab coat during procedures

7) Dispose contaminated FR garment as hazardous chemical waste. Submit pick-up request via OTP.
References:

1) DuPont FR Clothing for Laboratory Work

2) DuPont Personal Protection - THERMAL TECHNICAL BULLETIN - FACTS ABOUT INHERENT FLAME-RESISTANT PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

3) DuPont™ Nomex® THE SUPERIOR CHOICE IN FLAME-RESISTANT PROTECTION

4) Procedures for Safe Use of Pyrophoric Organolithium Reagents

5) Dartmouth Handling Pyrophoric Materials

6) UCSD Working with Pyrophoric Reagents

7) Safe Handling of Organolithium Compounds in the Laboratory (American Chemical Society)

8) Experimenting with Danger (Chemical Safety Board)
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Distribution

Principal Investigator: ____________________________________________

I certify that I have received, understand and will follow the NOMEX® LAB COAT FACT SHEET provided.

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