ECAS Research Ramp-Down in the Laboratory Sciences

All lab research at Emory University must ramp-down by March 23. See: http://www.emory.edu/coronavirus/messages/index.html?m=message-all-managing-research-march-18

Essential research may be approved to continue as an Exception with adequate justification and planning and strict social distancing.

All Exception requests must be forwarded to Senior Associate Dean for Research, Ronald Calabrese, (biolrc@emory.edu) and Connie Copeland (ccope01@emory.edu) by 5 pm on Friday March 20 and will receive notice of approval/disapproval by March 22.

ECAS will be using a two-tiered approach.

1. The two forms (“ECAS …Exception Tool" and “Isolation Plan") should be submitted by each PI separately to your department chair. She has the authority to deny any request. Shared PI lab space can use a single set of forms as long as all PIs are identified.

2. If the chair approves the request, then it can be forwarded to Ron Calabrese and Connie Copeland. Chairs might want to collect all approved forms together and forward them as a bundle.

Ron Calabrese will notify the PI and the chair if the request is approved.

All required forms (“ECAS Research Ramp-down Exception Tool.xlsx" and “Isolation Plan.docx") and guidance documents (“Essential Research.pdf" and Check List to Ramp-Down Non-Essential Laboratory Research list 031720.docx”) are posted on the ORFS webpages under Policies and Resources COVID-19.

Exceptions involving graduate students ADDITIONALLY require LGS approval. Faculty who wish to submit a waiver request for an LGS student to be present in an Emory laboratory during the COVID-10 pandemic mitigation process must complete this online form.

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