General remarks

1. Labs are very well maintained and appear to be safe working environments. Congrats to the safety officers and lab managers.
2. Chemtracker remains a problem. None of the signage was updated. Safety officers were unable to complete the signage in a reasonable fashion and were under the impression that it was being replaced. EH&S should clarify this and rectify these problems with the Chemtracker system.
3. These labs often combine office and lab space. We did see one instance of a beverage being taken into the office/lab. Construction of a common food area would help with this.

Areas that could not be inspected

- With the departure of the Hansel lab, the basement has no lab space left in it and does not need to be inspected. The quarantined storage area could not be accessed.
- Room 216, formerly of the Edwards lab, was not in use. It was very cluttered.

Shared Mooney/Aizenberg/Lewis space, first floor

- Fume hood ESL 132 does not have an updated inspection sticker, despite all the other fume hoods having been inspected in February.
- Cyrogenic dewars (one small glass dewar, one large LN2 dewar) with no cryogen PPE visible. This is not necessarily a problem depending on the work flow.
- Room 101A, the new Lewis tissue culture room, and the main lab to which it’s attached, should have BL2 signage. We understand that this is currently in progress.
- Room 101B (wash room) is labeled BL2, but the door was open to the main lab. Signage should be updated or door kept closed. Also gas cylinders’ hang tags should be ripped off to indicate whether or not tanks are used.

Mooney lab: Room 106 has an emergency shower with an outlet beneath it.

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Room 104

- Fume hood in SW corner is very cluttered.
- New refrigerator needs a “no food” sticker

Vecitis lab

- Room 202: 2 unchained gas cylinders, empty. One of them was not labeled empty and neither was chained up.
- Room 202A: carbon nanotubes are occasionally used in powder form, but measurement is not done in a hood. This is a topic for discussion by the group. One solution would be a dedicated balance in a hood.