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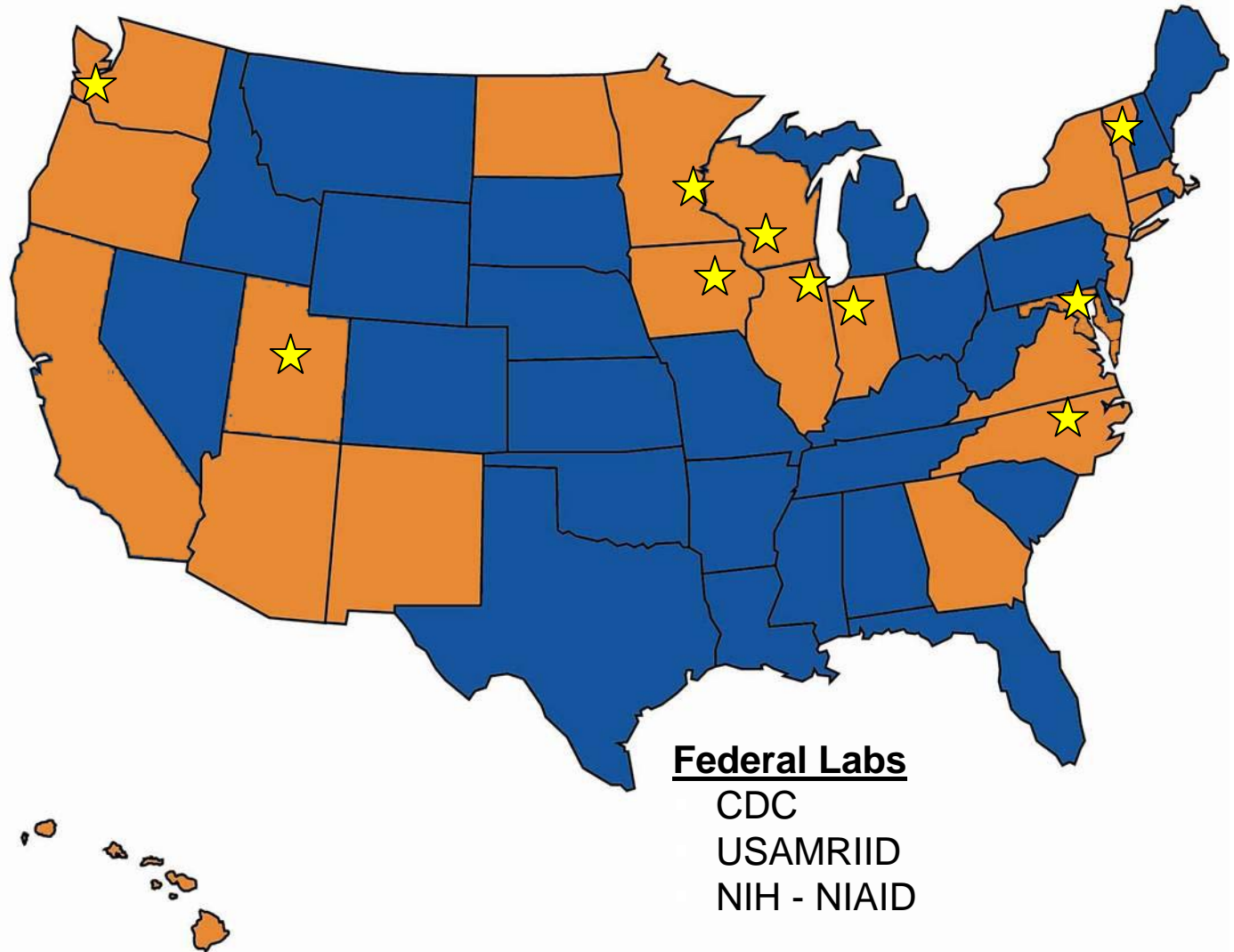
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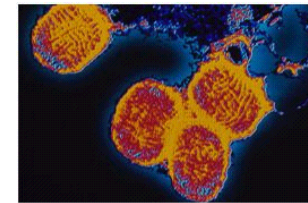
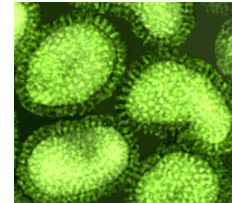
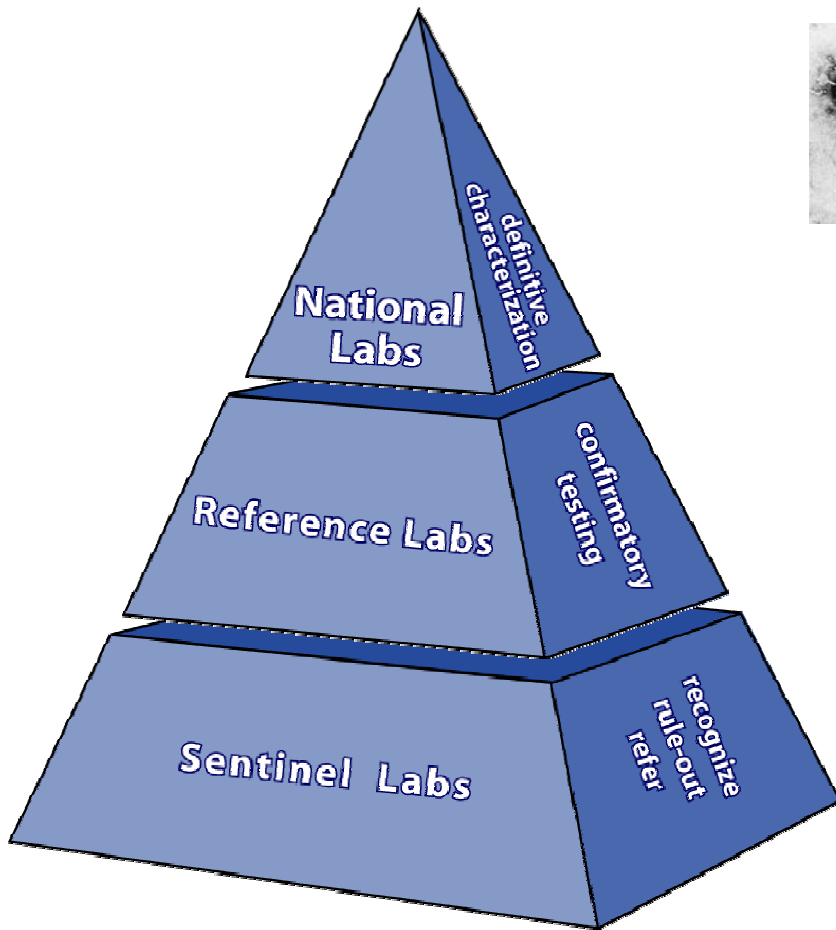
Overview

Background – Public Health Experience

- Arizona**
- California
- Georgia
- Hawaii
- Illinois**
- Indiana**
- Iowa**
- Maryland
- Minnesota**
- New Jersey**
- New Mexico
- New York
- North Carolina**
- North Dakota**
- Oregon
- Utah
- Virginia**
- Vermont**
- Washington**
- Wisconsin
- Wyoming**



Trends – Mission
Overview



Issues and Drivers

*Improving the
Health of the
People of the
State*

Mission

- Diagnostic & Analytical Services
- Disease Surveillance
- Outbreak Investigation
- Outreach Programs
- Training & Consulting

Method

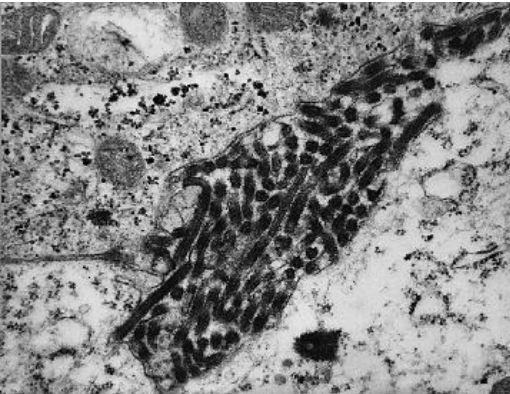
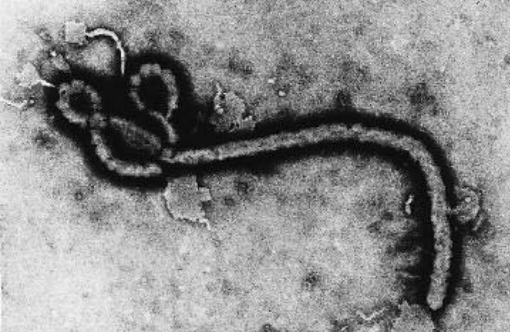
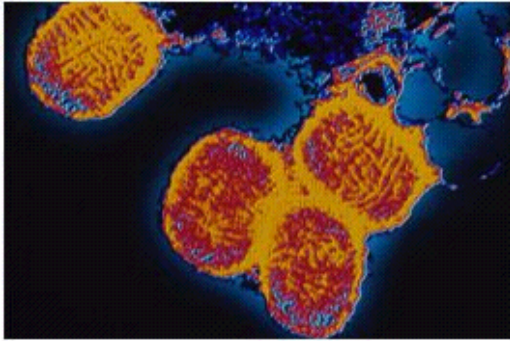
- Quality Scientific Talent & Equipment
- Laboratory Building as a Partner
 - ✓ Enables the Sciences
 - ✓ Creates a Safe Workplace
 - ✓ Provides Appropriate Security Measures
 - ✓ Flexible, Adaptable, Easily Changed
 - ✓ Facilitates a Quality Work Environment

“Can Do”

Not just

“Make Do”

Issues and Drivers



Site Protection & Chain of Custody

- Secure Testing & Contaminant Control
- Sample Intake Security
- Secure Storage

Unknown Agents (BSL3-E to Glovebox 4)

- Increased Virulence
- Multiple Drug Resistance
- Modified Path of Transmission
- Modified Diagnostic Characteristics

Select Agents (CDC & USDA)

- Increased Environmental Containment

Design Strategies



Design for the Lab Hazards

- Biological - Chemical - Radiological - Physical
- Safe Layout: Consider Safe Paths of Travel
- Interrelated HVAC & Primary Containment
- Transparency – See and Be Seen

Layout as a Flow Diagram

Central Accessioning / All Hazards

Receipt = First Line of Defense

Open Labs Wherever Possible

Closed Labs as Required

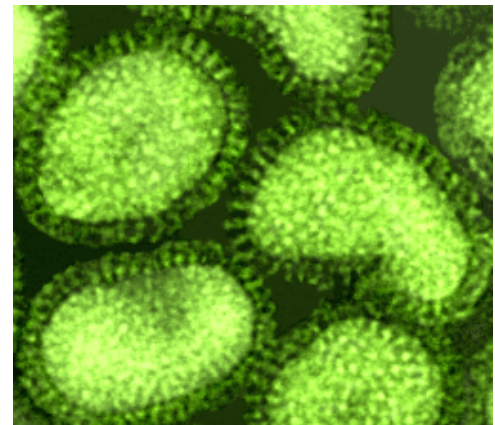
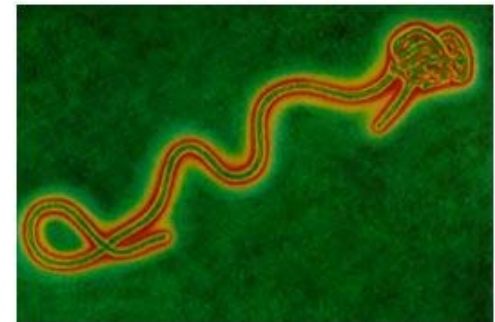
Layers of Flexibility in Labs and Systems

Quality Working Environment

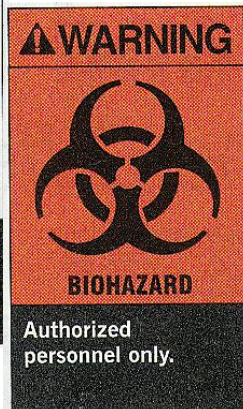
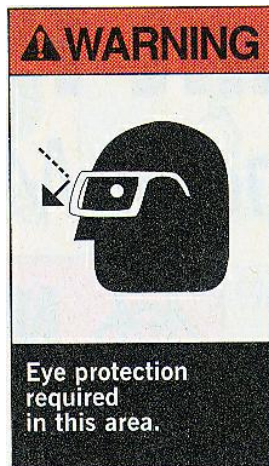
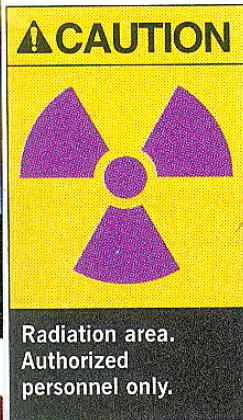


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Laboratory Hazards



Laboratory Hazards



Chemical:

Flammables, acids, corrosives, reactive chemicals, carcinogens, mutagens, teratogens, toxins, compressed gases

Radiological:

Radionuclides and equipment that produces ionizing radiation

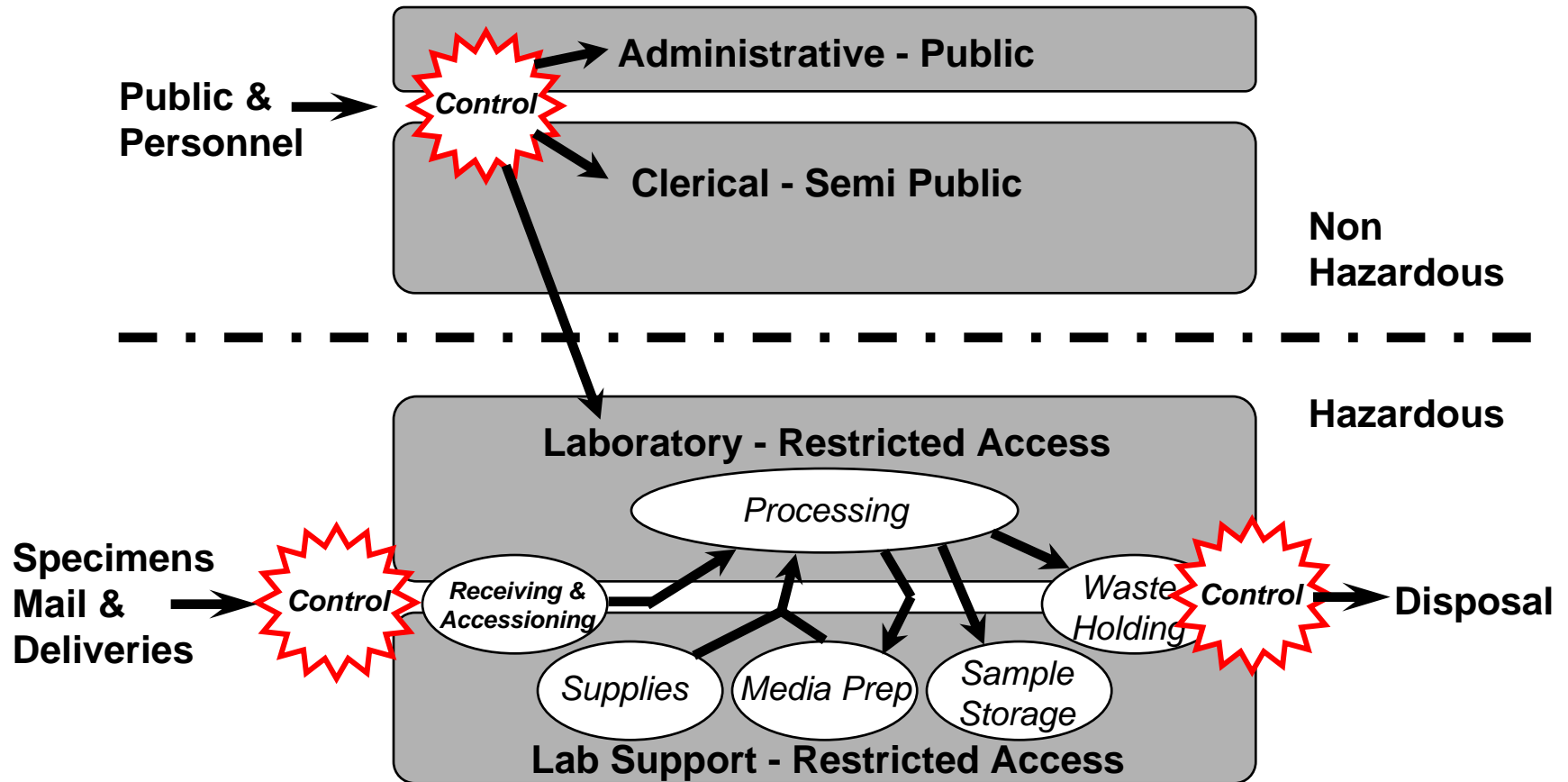
Physical:

Lasers, magnetic fields, moving parts, high voltage, high noise, ultraviolet light, extreme heat or cold, high pressure vessels

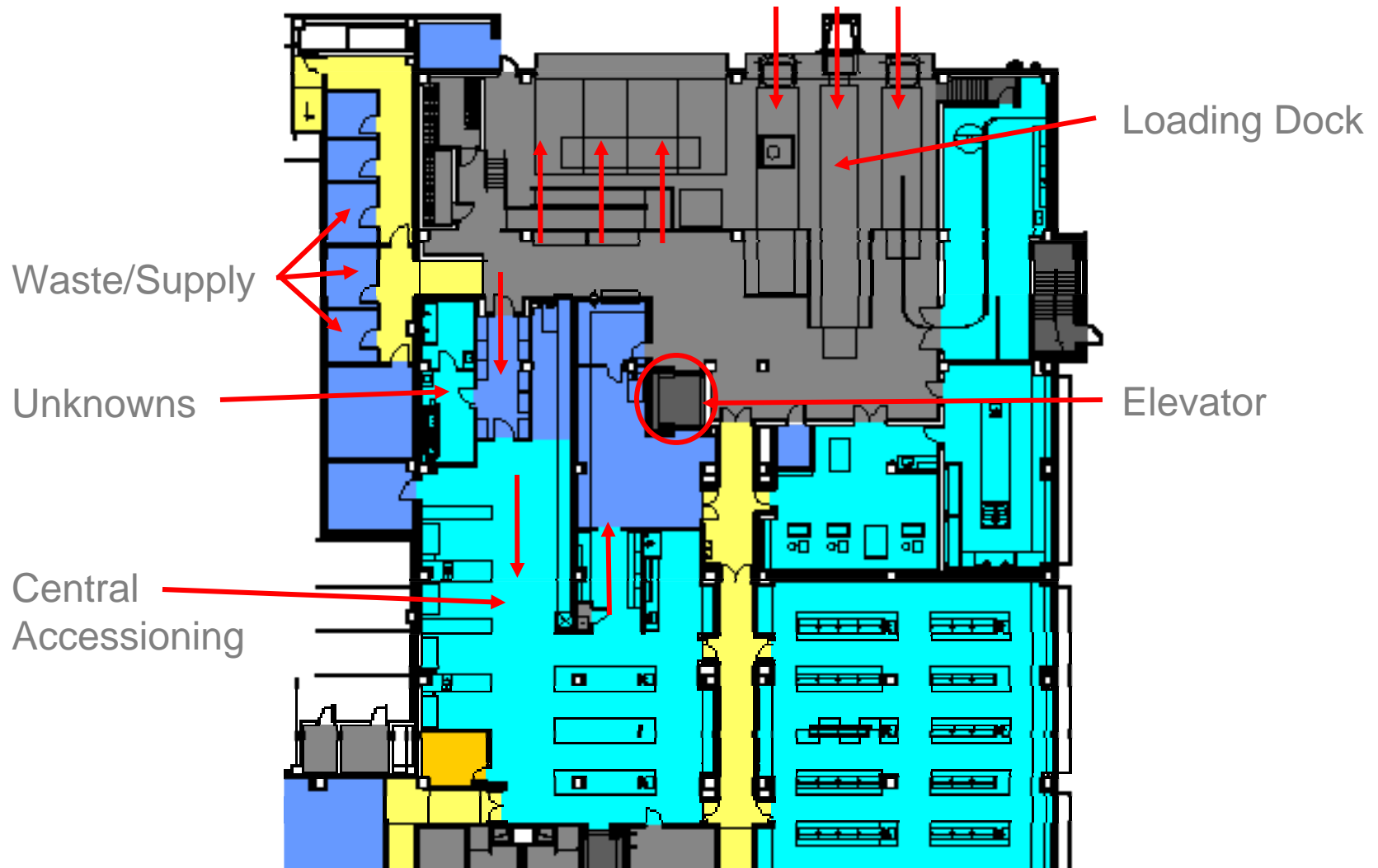
Biological:

Etiologic agents, material containing etiologic agents, organisms with recombinant DNA, toxins, allergens

Building As Flow Diagram



Securely Managing the In/Out Flow



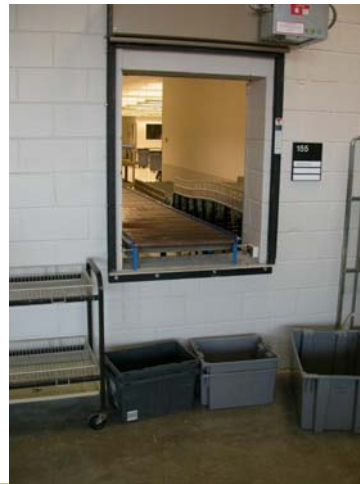
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Samples of Unknown Origin: CT/BT/Radiological

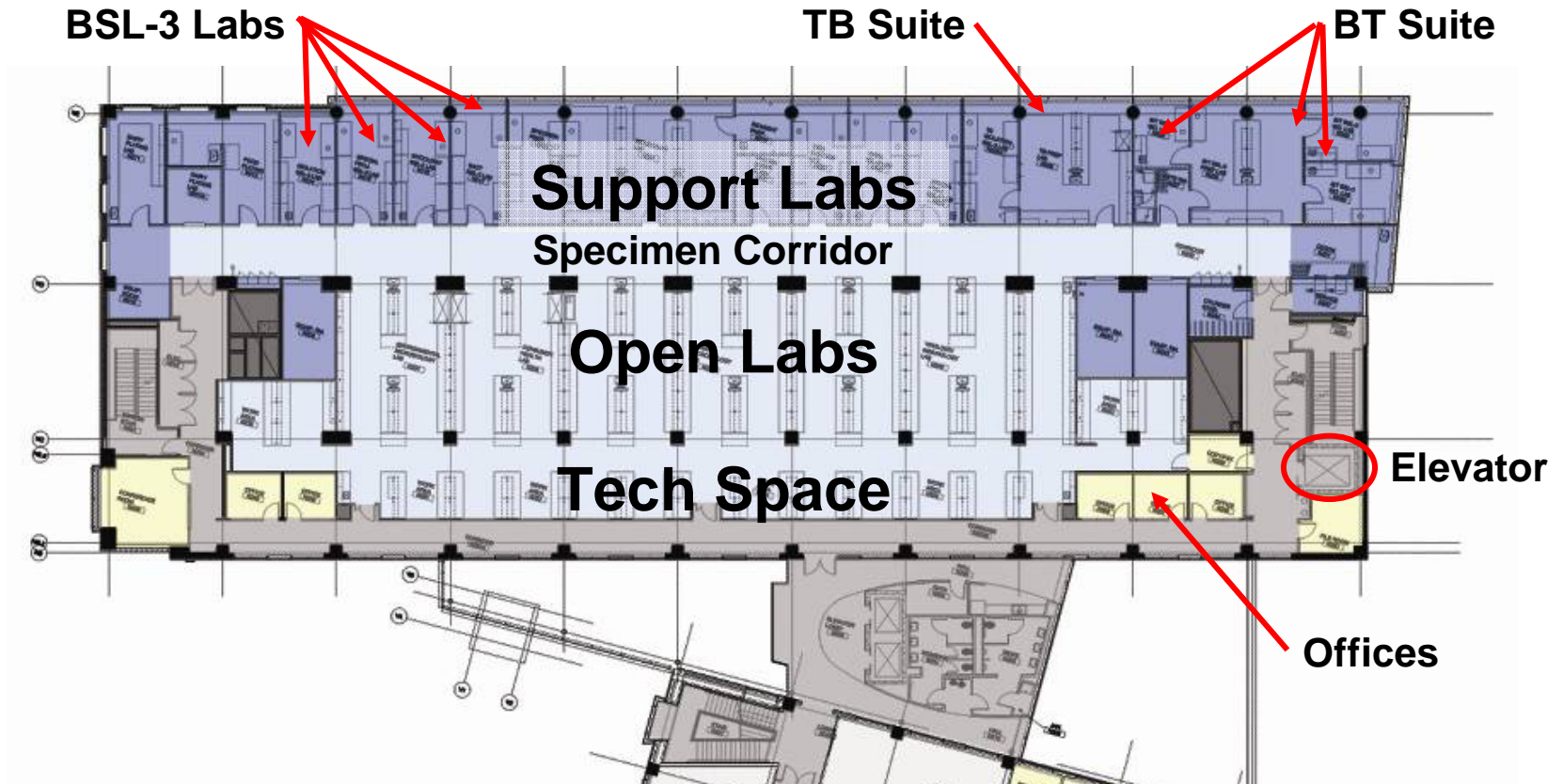


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Central Accessioning for Routine Specimens



Open Laboratory Concept



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Open Laboratory Concept



Concepts of Biocontainment



Containment Barriers

- Primary - BSC's, PPE, Glovebox,
- Secondary - Rooms, systems
- Tertiary - Containment around systems

Access Control and Separation

- Key card, Cameras, Biometric
- Safety Starts with Good Personnel Protocol

Redundancy and Reliability

- Mechanical Systems
- Security
- Flexibility of Spaces
- Surge Capacity

Barrier Minimization

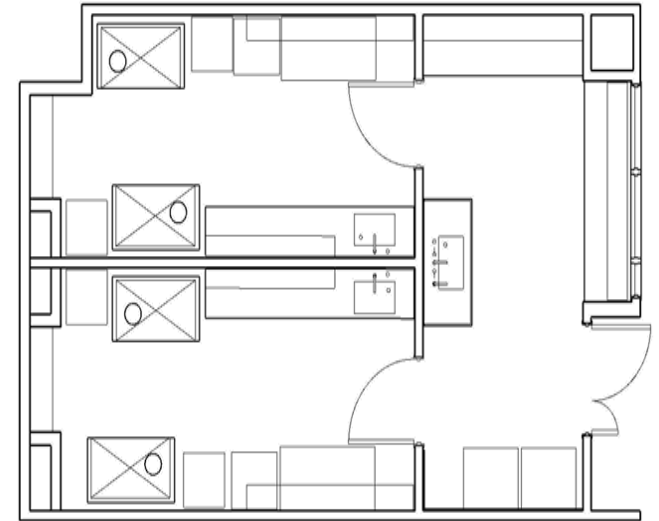
- Flow of Personnel
- Flow of Specimens for Analysis

Decontamination

- Strategies
- VHP, Autoclaves, Incinerators, Digestors

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Concepts of Biocontainment

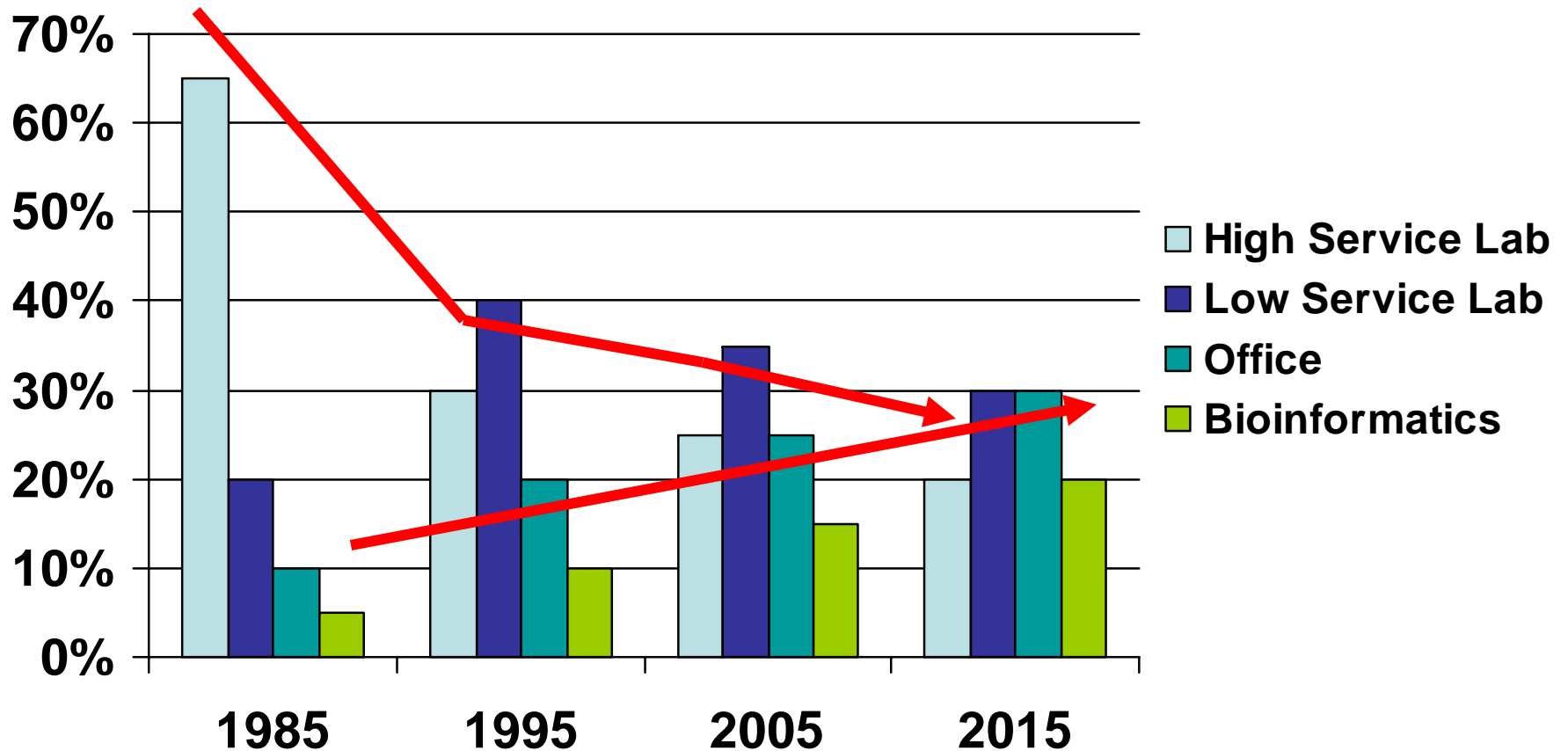


Concepts of Biocontainment – BSL -3 Enhancements

- Autoclave in Containment
- Gown In / Shower Out
- HEPA Filtered Exhaust
- Effluent Decontamination

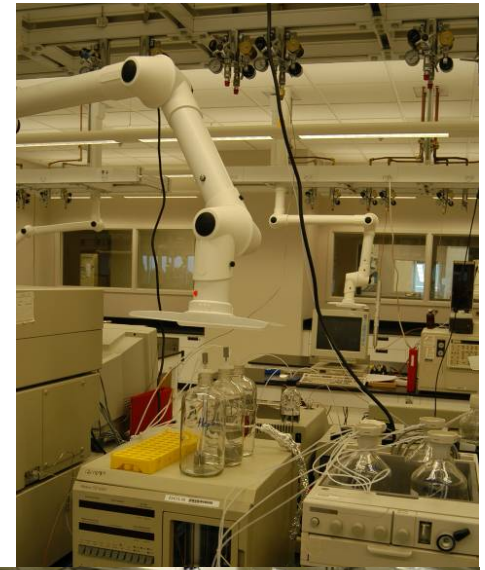


Space Changes - Flexibility



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Flexibility



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Flexibility



Quality Environment



Lighting

- Views and Daylight
- Lighting Levels
- Glare Control

Ventilation

- Temperature Control
- Air Movement and Ventilation
- Humidity Control
- Air Quality

Structure

- Contamination Control
- Vibration Isolation
- Noise Attenuation

Quality of Space

- Facilitation of Interaction
- Attracting and Retaining Staff
- Multidisciplinary Facility
- Flexible and Adaptable



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Quality Environment - Casework



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Quality Environment – Containment Devices



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Quality Environment – Training Labs and Classrooms



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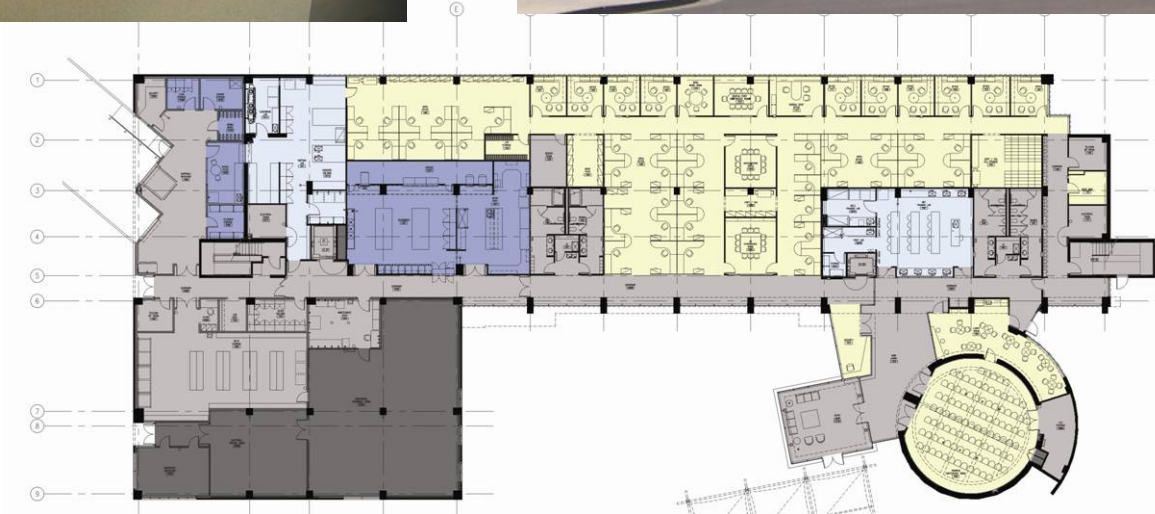
Quality Environment – House Systems



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Case Studies and Benchmarking

Recently Completed - Arizona



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Recently Completed – Indiana Health and Forensic Sciences



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Recently Completed – Minnesota Depts. Of Health and Ag.



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Recently Completed – Virginia DCLS



Case Studies and Benchmarking

In Construction – Iowa University Hygienic Laboratory



Engineering Philosophy



Safety

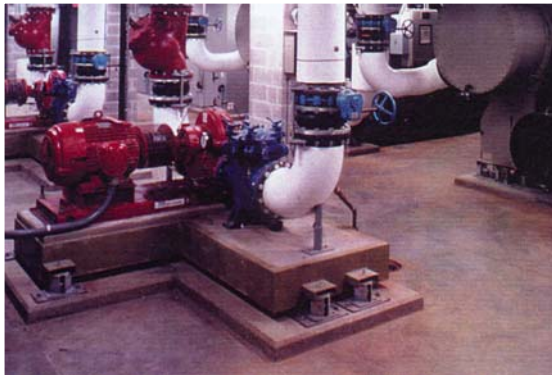
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Flexibility

- Modular in Design for ease of Renovation
- Maintenance Ability to easily service all systems to achieve optimum operation

Reliability and Redundancy

- Reliability is not Redundancy
- Adequate backup to protect research
- Reliability Critical Systems based on reliable capacity
- Controls Ensure appropriate level of control for temperature, humidity, pressurization and filtration



Energy Conservation

- Utilization of energy recovery techniques and controls methodology
- Integrated Systems working together