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Title of project/experiment/activity Use of ISO PRO NANO Glovebox	
Location of activity Cambridge Graphene Centre : Chemistry Lab	Start and end dates 08/09/2015 - continuous

### Brief description (or attach procedure/protocol)

The glovebox is used for personal protection when working with nanoparticles. The filter systems of the box protects the inside from contamination of the environment and the environment from the materials processed in the glovebox. The Glovebox is applied to process materials with Nanoparticles

The equipment is located in Cambridge Graphene Centre Chemistry Lab. It is expected to be used daily for several hours.

The IsoPro Nano glove box is a commercially made system for handling nanomaterials and will be used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Hazard	Effect	Control measures	Residual risk
Mechanical	Risk of squeezing, shearing and cutting, catching and winding, stretching of extremities! Free moving parts may cause injury.	Keep hands and arms out of the hazard area.  Do not remove safety covers, panels, windows or doors (except those intended for service during operation). If any safety facility fails or is not present: shut down the system and inform the safety responsibilities.	Low risk
	The system may not be opened during operation or power failures.		
Electrical	Hazardous electrical voltage! Risk of an electric shock, involuntary muscle reaction, muscle paralysis, burnt tissues and organs or	The electrical cabinet is only allowed to be opened by an electrician or trained maintenance personnel. Prior to opening the switching cabinet, the main switch must be turned to the off-position. There are still live parts and charged capacitors when the main switch is off. Never bridge fuses.  Never interchange current bearing wires.  All works on the electrics is allowed only to be performed by an electrician. This includes the connection to the main power supply. Prior to working on the electrics, disconnect from the power supply. Never operate the system with the electrical cabinet	Low risk

	death.	door open.		
Solvents,	Risk of damage	Adhere to the following guidelines: Low		
chemical and	or injury.	Proper handling of chemicals, corrosives, solvents and		
gases Materials used		gases is the user's responsibility.		
	may be	Ensure that all relevant "Control of Substances",		
	flammable,	"Hazardous to Health" guidelines		
	explosive	such as European directive 98/24/EC (risk to chemical		
	and/or toxic.	agents), COSHH (UK) or any other applicable rules are		
	Released	followed.		
	chemicals may	Mark all containers and supply lines of chemicals (i.e.		
	react with each	containers of media and waste) with appropriate labels		
	other, leading	and warning signs.		
	to unwanted	Ensure proper ventilation and exhaustion of vapours.		
	and/or	Do not inhale gases.		
	unknown	Keep away from ignition sources.		
	substances,	Do not smoke.		
	which may	The state of the s		
	cause	In case of working with solvents, chemical and gases		
	additional risks.	adhere to the following safety measures:		
	Solvents may	Wear personal protective equipment (PPE): proper		
	destroy gaskets	protective safety mask, protective gloves and safety		
	of the Glovebox	glasses		
	or other system	Observe relevant safety regulations as well as MSDS		
	components	and additional advice, provided by the supplier.		
	(e.g.	Value of the state		
	freezer gaskets)			
	or the rubber	AND THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY		
	material of the	ALL DATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PA		
	gloves. Solvent			
	vapour is also			
	absorbed	The state of the s		
	by the reactor			
	material and			
•	may reduce			
	capacity for			
	water vapour.			
Electrical risk	Hazardous	Match the fire extinguishing medium to the hazard	Low risk	
while fire	electrical	material and against the installation room condition	-	
fighting	voltage! Risk of	(ABC powder / CO2 or water extinguisher)		
	electric shock	Turn the main switch to off-position.		
	when	In case of fire within the working room immediately		
	extinguishing	follow the SOP for fire emergency of the Operating		
	fires on the	Company.		
	system if it is			
	still live and if			
	conductive	_		

	media are used.		
Damage of the system	Risk of injury and damage!	The system is considered unsafe for operation if: there is any visible damage it fails to perform according to specification it has been subject to prolonged storage under unfavourable conditions it has been subjected to severe transport stress it failed to the proceeded leackage test If the system meets any or all of the above: take it out of service secure it against any unauthorized or unintentional operation contact the ME CALAB /MB R AUN Service	Low risk

Personal Protective Equipment required [eye/face protection, respiratory protection, gloves, lab coat etc]

Lab coat, gloves (purple nitrile) and eye protection (safety specs) required in the lab at all times

### **Emergency Instructions & First Aid**

If the system must be shut down for emergency reasons:

Turn off main switch and disconnect the system from the powerline

Close any gas pipes to stop gas supply

note the material safety data sheet (for information how to act in an emergency)

Provide first aid

Call ambulance service and emergency medical

Call supervisor and security officer

Clear and keep clear emergency routes for emergency services

### Spillage:

Solvent spillage or water-based dispersion spillages can be dealt by wiping with wipes. The wipes disposed into waste bins or should be left to dry (in the case of solvent spillage) in the solvent fume cupboard prior to disposal into waste bins.

#### Fire:

In case of fire, the fire alarm should be sounded and fire service called. If safe to do so, the fire may be extinguished using an extinguisher containing carbon dioxide, located in the corridor outside the laboratory.

#### First aid:

General advice: Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

If inhaled: If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician. In case of skin contact: Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact: Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

Any special monitoring required [e.g. hearing test, vibration monitoring, health surveillance]

No

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Further control measures required? If yes, list with actions.

Waste Disposal Procedures: Aqueous waste should be disposed in a container separate from solvent waste. Solvents will be disposed of in suitable chlorinated (e.g. DCB, chloroform), or non-chlorinated (all others) waste containers.

Biological/Laser/Radiation Approval [requires relevant Specialist Safety Officer signature and date]
N/A

Out of hours/Lone working

The IsoPro Glovebox can only be used during working hours.

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Signature to confirm that this is a suitable and sufficient assessment of risk and that stated control measures are in place. This risk assessment should be reviewed if additional risks not covered in this assessment are identified or if there is any reason to indicate that the control measures are insufficient.

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