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Environmental Health & Safety often receives unknown and unwanted chemicals when laboratories change hands. The ensuing cleanup and disposal of chemicals is time-consuming and costly. Before a faculty member or research investigator leaves the University, either the departing individual or the department must take responsibility for the removal of chemical wastes. The departing individual should notify Chemical Health & Safety before he/she ceases laboratory operations. If a major cleanout is anticipated, Chemical Health & Safety will provide forms for designating chemicals for disposal. In the event that an individual 'abandons' a laboratory, the Department Head or designee shall take this responsibility. All waste chemicals shall be identified, labeled, and stored properly prior to the pre-arranged pickup date, according to the points outlined in Section II.A.2.