Containment Equipment and Facilities

Biocontainment

- The principle of holding or being capable of holding or including within a fixed limit or area
- Preventing the unintentional release of biological agents through a combination of laboratory practices, containment equipment (primary barrier) and laboratory facility design (secondary barrier)

Primary Barrier

- Primary barriers contain the agent at the source
- Equipment/Engineering Control
 - ◆ Biological safety cabinet, fumehood, glove box, animal housing, centrifuge, fermenter

Secondary Barrier

- Secondary barrier is the structure surrounding the primary barrier
- Facility/Engineering Control
 - Rooms, building
- Types of Facilities
 - ◆ Basic laboratory
 - ◆ Containment laboratory

Primary Barriers - Equipment

Personnel Protection

 Any aerosol generated within the cabinet is contained and kept away from the researcher

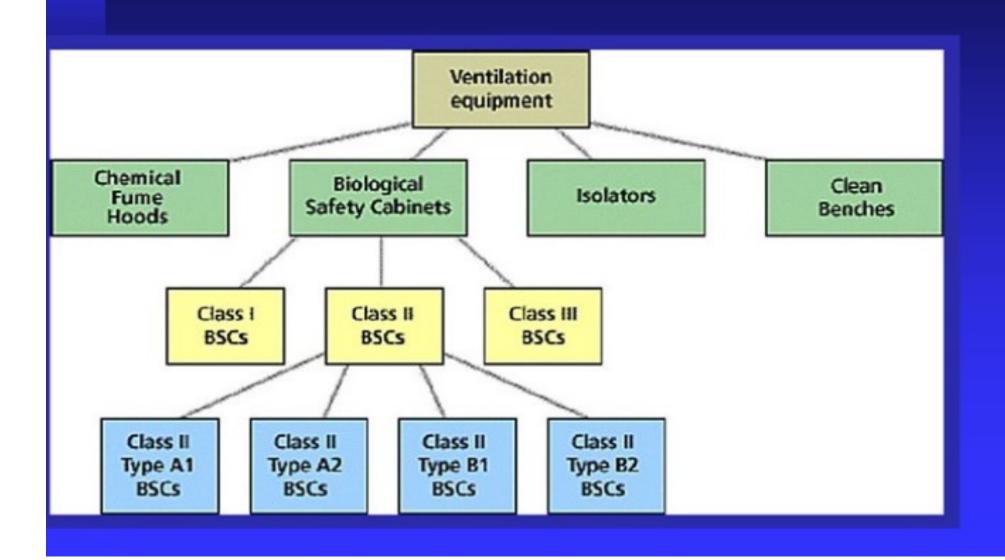
Product Protection

Air within the work space of the cabinet has been filtered so that is is virtually free of airborne particles and organisms; thus protecting the work from outside contamination

Environmental Protection

 Aerosols generated within the unit are removed from the air before the air is discharged

Ventilation Equipment Classes and Types



Chemical Fume Hood

- 100 fpm face velocity
- Offer only personnel protection
- Always exhaust air to the outside
- Do not offer protection to the product or the environment, as there is no filtration of intake and exhaust air (Sometimes air cleaning treatment is added to the exhaust.)
- Do draw contaminants in the laboratory air directly over the product being worked on
- Used for work with chemical hazards



Chemical Hood

Clean Bench / Laminar Flow Hoods

- Provide product protection only
- Product protection is provided by creating a unidirectional airflow generated through a HEPA filter
- Discharge air goes directly into workroom
- Applications
 - Any application where the product is not hazardous but must be kept contaminant free
 - Preparation of non-hazardous intravenous mixtures and media
 - Particulate free assembly of sterile equipment and electronic devices
- Eliminate Clean Bench in containment laboratory





Clean Bench

Laminar air flow

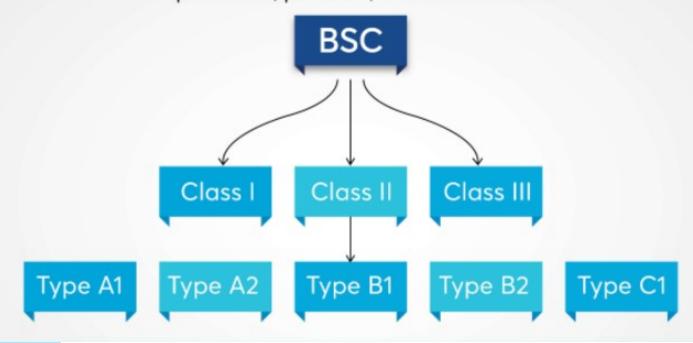
Biological Safety Cabinets

- Designed to contain biological hazards
- Inward airflow for personnel protection
- HEPA filtered exhaust air for environmental protection
- Supply air HEPA filter for product protection (except Class I)
- Separated into Classes and Types
 - Class I
 - Class II
 - Type A1, A2
 - Type B1, B2 C1
 - Class III
- Microbiological studies, cell cultures, pharmaceutical research and procedures...

Biosafety Cabinets



Biosafety Cabinets come in three classes, depending on the protection to personnel, products, and environment.



Class 1

Provides personnel and environmental protection but no product protection

Class 2

Partial barrier systems relying on movement of air to provide protection for personnel, environment, and product.

Class 3

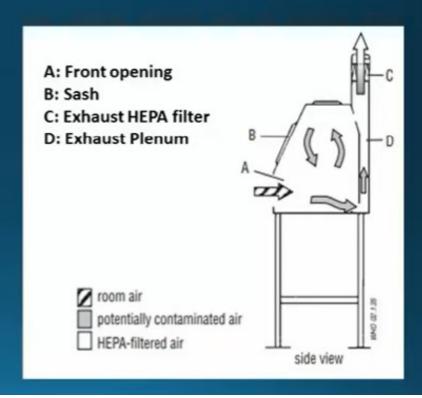
A gas-tight enclosure providing the maximum protection for personnel, product, and environment.

Class I Cabinet

- 75 fpm face velocity
- Provides personnel and environmental protection
- No product protection
- Requires an exhaust blower to pull the air through
 - usually to the outdoors
- Applications
 - Housing centrifuges, fermenters
 - Cage dumping in an animal lab
 - Aerating cultures

Class I Biosafety Cabinet

- 100% Exhaust
- Provides personnel and environmental protection



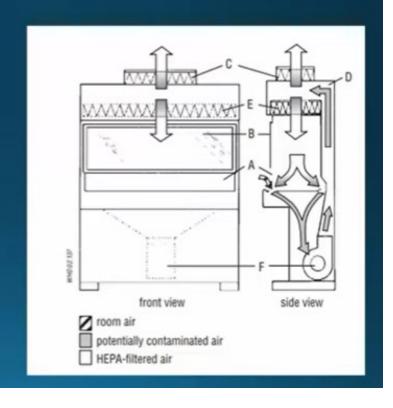
Class II Cabinets

- Ventilated cabinet
- Provides personnel, product, and environmental protection
- Open front with inward airflow for personnel protection
- Downward HEPA filtered laminar airflow for product protection
- HEPA filtered exhaust air for environmental protection

Class II Biosafety Cabinet

Class II Type A1

- 30% Exhaust, 70% Recirculate back into the Biosafety cabinet
- Inflow velocity: 75fpm minimum
- Provides personnel, product and environmental protection
- Suitable for biosafety level 1 & 2 usage.



Class II Biosafety Cabinets

Class II Type A2

- It is similar to Type A1
- 30% Exhaust, 70% Recirculate back into the Biosafety cabinet
- Inflow velocity: 100fpm minimum
- Provides personnel, product and environmental protection
- Suitable for biosafety level 1, 2 or 3 usage.

Class II - Type B1

70% Exhaust, 30% Recirculate

Class II – Type B2

• 100% Exhaust

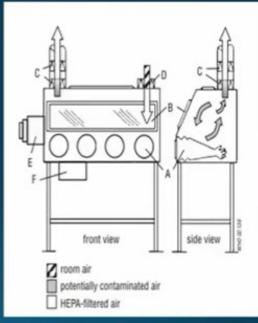
Different Classes of Biosafety Cabinets

Туре	Face velocity (m/s)	Airflow (recirculated)	Airflow (exhausted)	Exhaust System
Class I	0.36	0	100	Hard duct
Class IIA1	0.38-0.51	70	30	Exhaust to room or thimble connection
Class IIA2	0.51	70	30	Exhaust to room or thimble connection
Class IIB1	0.51	30	70	Hard duct
Class IIB2 (Total Exhaust BSC)	0.51	0	100	Hard duct
Class III	NA	0	100	Hard duct

Class III Biosafety Cabinets

- 100% Exhaust
- Glove Box
- Double HEPA filter exhaust
- Suitable for Biosafety Level 4
- Provides personnel, product and environmental protection





Primary Barriers

	Personnel	Product	Environment
Chemical Fumehood	x		
Laminar Flowhood		x	
Class I Biosafety Cabinet	x		x
Class II Biosafety Cabinet	x	x	X
Class III Biosafety Cabinet	x	x	X
Isolators	x	x	x

Other Primary Barriers-Engineering Control

- Gasketed blenders, homogenizers
- Cotton plugs, filters for flasks in shakers
- Filtered pipette tips
- HEPA and hydrophobic vacuum line filters
- Plasticware substituted for glassware
- Gas burners with shield, microincinerator
- Centrifuges
 - Interlock, solid cover, safety buckets, O-rings

Secondary Barrier- Facilities

Laboratory Biosafety Level 2

- Lockable doors (a must for restricted agents)
- Sink
- Bench tops impervious and easily cleaned
- Biological safety cabinet (if applicable)
- Eyewash
- Inward airflow (desirable)

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