Nanoscale Research Facility Weekly Update - February 18



Dosimeter Policy Change at the NRF

In collaboration with the UF Office of Radiation Safety, we are removing the requirement for wearing personnel monitoring devices (dosimetry badges) for using our x-ray-generating instruments. These include the two CTs: Nano-CT -GE v|tome|x m 240 (Phoenix Nano CT) and the ZEISS Versa 620 XRM; the two XRDs: Panalytical XPert Powder and Panalytical XPert MRD; and the associated computer workstations in those labs. Beginning on Monday, February 17th, 2025, the NRF will not require users of the above equipment to apply for a dosimetry badge, and beginning April 1st, no dosimeter badges will be required for users of the above equipment. Users who currently have a dosimeter badge for use of these tools should continue to wear their badge during tool use through March, and return their badge as normal April 1st. New dosimeters will not be issued for spring quarter, and room dosimeters will be used for tracking any potential exposure. Please note: monitoring requirements for pregnant women are different than the general public, and if you need to discuss these additional safety measures please reach out to us and/or the Office of Radiation Safety. NFMCF (Rad Lab) users should watch for site specific policy change announcements to follow, next month. For now users at the NFMCF should be using their dosimeter as usual, and new users will check out a pen dosimeter for their visit to the facility.

Questions or concerns about this change? Reach out to staff, or join us at the UAC meeting 2/27 for a deeper discussion about the changes.

Upcoming RSC Events:

- Game Night NRF 115 Thursday February 20th at 5pm <u>RSVP</u>
- User Advisory Committee Meeting ZOOM + NRF115 Thursday 2/27 at Noon

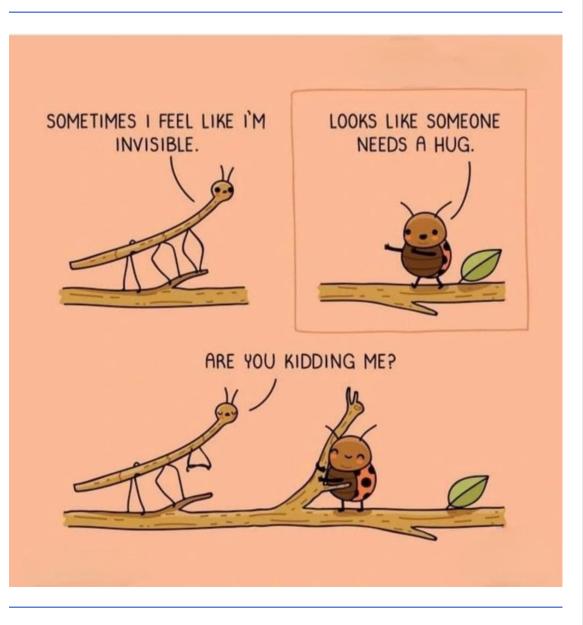
- <u>Ongoing</u>: New publication? Data collected at the RSC? <u>Click to tell us!</u>
 Still writing? Check out our new easy acknowledgement <u>templates</u>.
- Ongoing: Submit Photos for the Annual Nano Day Image Contest: It's very early but you can submit your image for the 2025 Contest <u>HERE</u>

Safety Side Note:



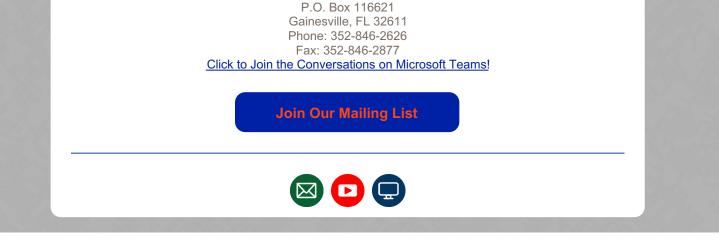
Are you familiar with our anonymous reporting system?

If you ever encounter an issue you do not feel comfortable discussing in person, we would like for you to report it to staff via our <u>anonymous tip</u> <u>link</u>. You can access this from the NRF user panel, under contact us, and this can be accessed from all our TUMI computers as well.





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