

Laboratory Considerations for Ebola Virus and Other Special Pathogens

Glossary of Acronyms

- **ASPR:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response
 - Within the US DHHS
- **BSC:** Biosafety Cabinet
 - AKA: Biological Safety Cabinet, Microbiological Safety Cabinet
- **BSL-:** Biosafety Level
 - BSL-1, -2, -3, -4
- **CDC:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- **DASH Form:** CDC's Data and Specimen Handling form
 - Also seen as CDC DASH
- **DHHS:** Department of Health and Human Services
 - Also seen as HHS
- **DOT:** Department of Transportation
- **DSAT:** Division of Select Agents and Toxins
 - Within the Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response (PHPR)
- **ED:** Emergency Department
- **EMTALA:** Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act
- **EPA:** Environmental Protection Agency

- **EVD:** Ebola Virus Disease
 - Also seen as EV: Ebola Virus
- **FDA:** United States Food and Drug Administration
- **HPAI:** Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza
 - Also seen as HPI: Highly Pathogenic Influenza
- **IATA:** International Air Transport Association
- **IRB:** Institutional Review Board
- **IV Line:** Intravenous line
- **MERS:** Middle East Respiratory Syndrome
 - Also seen as MERS-CoV: Middle East Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus
- **MOA:** Memorandum of Agreement
 - Also seen as MOU: Memorandum of Understanding
- **NBU:** Nebraska Biocontainment Unit
 - Nebraska Medicine, University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC)
- **NP swab:** Nasopharyngeal swab
- **PAPR:** Powered Air Purifying Respirator
- **PHL:** Public Health Lab
- **PHPR:** The Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response
- **POC instrumentation:** Point of Care instrumentation
 - AKA: Point of Contact
 - In contrast with Central Laboratory Instrumentation

- **PPE:** Personal Protective Equipment
- **PUI:** Person Under Investigation
 - Presenting with clinical features and epidemiological risk for a special pathogen
- **QC:** Quality Control
- **RO:** Responsible Official
 - **ARO:** Alternate Responsible Official
- **SARS:** Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome
 - Also seen as SARS-CoV: SARS-associated Coronavirus
- **SOPs:** Standard Operating Procedures
- **TB:** Tuberculosis
- **TO:** Trained Observer
- **TRACIE:** Technical Resources Assistance Center, and Information Exchange
 - Within ASPR
 - Usually seen as ASPR TRACIE
- **UN-certified:** Regulations set by the United Nations Expert Committee of Hazardous Goods for transportation of hazardous materials
- **WHO:** World Health Organization