



## UCSC Laboratory Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) Acetylene Carbon Black

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Review any applicable manufacturer/vendor safety information, such as a Safety Data Sheet (SDS), before developing the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP).

*Any deviation from this SOP requires approval from the PI.*

**#1 Brief Experimental Summary:** Provide a general description of the process and/or experimental procedure.

Acetylene carbon black is served as a conductive additive in preparation of binder for microbial fuel cells, supercapacitors and lithium ion batteries.

List the chemicals that fall under this SOP, include CAS#, and GHS symbols and categories:

Chemical (CAS#)	GHS categories	GHS symbols – choose the appropriate symbols for each chemical
Acetylene Carbon Black (Carcinogen IARC Group 2B) (1333-86-4)	Carcinogenicity (Category 2), H351	
Polytetrafluoroethylene (9002-84-0)	Not a hazardous substance or mixture.	NA
Ethanol (64-17-5)	Flammable liquids (Category 2), H225	

**#2 Procedure Description:** Include all steps for the procedure from the preparation to waste disposal, along with decontamination/clean-up steps. For each step's description, include any step-specific hazard, personal protective equipment, engineering controls, designated work areas, and specific working alone restrictions in the left hand columns. Note the location and use of any emergency response equipment specific to process (e.g., Calgonate gel, Class D fire extinguisher, inert absorbent material).

**Working Alone:** Working alone is not recommended. Notify your coworkers prior to conducting this work and ensure that at a minimum of 1 person is nearby and aware that the work is occurring.

**Scale:** Work on as small a scale as possible. Do not exceed volumes/masses of 0.5 g, without prior consultation with and approval by the PI.

Procedure Steps	Work Location / Safety Equipment	Precautions
All the following procedures must be conducted in a fume to minimize any potential inhalation. 1. Wear a mask and weigh ~0.1 g acetylene carbon black and ~ 1.9 g polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) on a balance. [The weight ratio of acetylene carbon black and PTFE is 5%:95%] 2. Mix the two powders with proof 190 ethanol to form black slurry.	Fume hood	Acetylene carbon black is classified as a carcinogen (IARC Group 2B).



**#6 Clean-Up, Spill, and Emergency Response Procedures** (reference the SDS as needed): *Provide any specific information.*

Decontamination/Clean-Up: Wash bench and/or work area with soap and water after using.

Specific Spill Clean-Up Procedures:

Do not attempt to clean up any spill or release for which you are not fully trained and equipped. For assistance with spill cleanup, dial **911** and ask dispatch to page EH&S.

- Isolate the area to prevent the spread of contamination (e.g. close doors to affected area, post warning signs, alert others in immediately vicinity to evacuate).
- Prevent spill from reaching drains or from spilling outside of the fume hood if possible to do so without exposing yourself to liquid or vapor.
- Clean the affected area and all exposed equipment with soap and water to remove any contaminants before resuming work.
- Spill clean-up materials should be disposed of as hazardous waste.

Laboratory Emergency Response Equipment: *All research personnel must know location of nearest fire alarm pull station and emergency shower/eyewash. Do not use fire extinguisher unless you are trained to do so. List locations for nearest fire alarm pull and emergency shower/eyewash.*

Fire alarm pull station: Outside the lab, face to the lab entrance

Emergency shower: Near the entrance of the lab area, besides several gas cylinders

Emergency eyewash: The same place as the emergency shower listed above.

Emergency Shutdown Procedures: Shut fume hood sash.

**#7 Hazardous Waste(s)**: *List expected concentrations and amounts of hazardous waste(s) generated during this process. Provide any special/specific waste management. Contact EH&S for specific guidance regarding hazardous waste handling and disposal. General hazardous waste management guidelines: <http://ehs.ucsc.edu/programs/waste-management/index.html>*

### Waste Labeling

- Affix an on-line hazardous waste tag on all waste containers using the WASTE application <https://ehs.ucop.edu/waste/> as soon as the first drop of waste is added to the container.

### Waste Storage

- Store hazardous waste in closed containers with venting cap, in clean secondary containment, segregated by hazard class, in a marked and designated waste accumulation area.
- Double-bag dry waste using transparent bags.
- Waste accumulation area must be under the control of the person generating the waste.

### Waste Disposal

- Hazardous waste must be removed from the lab within 180 days.
- Containers must be clean, sealed, and safe to transport.
- Mark container as ready for pick up in WASTE, move container to accumulation area.
- Contact EH&S at x9-3086 or [hazwaste@ucsc.edu](mailto:hazwaste@ucsc.edu) with any questions.

**#8 First Aid / Emergency Procedures**: *Describe immediate First Aid or medical treatment required in case of personnel exposure.*

For immediate medical assistance, dial **911**. Report all serious injuries to EH&S as soon as possible.

- If inhaled, move into fresh air immediately.
- In the case of eye or skin contact, flush with water for a minimum of 15 minutes. Ensure that eyelids are held open while rinsing eyes.
- If ingested, flush mouth with water (only if the person is conscious).



- In the case of a needlestick/puncture injury, wash the affected area with soap and warm water for 15 minutes. For employees, follow the instructions at the Risk Services website: <http://risk.ucsc.edu/workers-comp/reporting-and-treatment.html>
- Seek medical attention immediately.
- Complete incident report form, <http://risk.ucsc.edu/all-forms/wc-incident-report-form.pdf>, (contact EH&S) and/or follow the instructions at the Risk Services website: <http://risk.ucsc.edu/workers-comp/reporting-and-treatment.html>

As the Principal Investigator, it is your responsibility to ensure that all individuals conducting this protocol are taught the correct procedures for safe handling of the hazardous materials involved. It is also your responsibility to ensure that your personnel complete Laboratory Safety Training and other applicable safety training courses.

- Prior to conducting any work with, the PI or designee must provide training to his/her laboratory personnel regarding the specific hazards involved in working with this substance, work area decontamination, and emergency procedures.
- The Principal Investigator must provide his/her laboratory personnel with a copy of this SOP and a copy of the SDS provided by the manufacturer.
- The Principal Investigator must ensure that his/her laboratory personnel have attended appropriate laboratory safety training or refresher training within the last year.

***I have reviewed and approve this Standard Operating Procedure.***

I understand that checking this box constitutes my approval of this document on 6/16/2015

PI Signature/Approval: Yat Li

DATE

## Chemical Information Summary

*Provide information for all chemicals included in the SOP. See the SDS for detailed toxicity information. Add more lines as needed.*

### Physical & Chemical Properties

Chemical	CAS#	Molecular Formula	Structure	Molecular Weight (g/mol)	Density (g/mL)	Form (physical state)	Melting Point (°C)	Boiling point (°C)	Flash point (°C)
Acetylene Carbon Black	1333-86-4	C	C	12.01	1.500 - 1.900 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 20 °C (68 °F)	powder, pellets	3,654 - 3,697 (6,609 - 6,687 °F)	4,827 (8,721 °F)	No data available
Ethanol	64-17-5	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	46.07	0.7974	Liquid	-144.0 (-227.2 °F)	78.0 - 80.0 (172.4 - 176.0 °F)	14.0 (57.2 °F) - closed cup

### Exposure Limits/Toxicity Data

Chemical	Color	Odor	Cal/OSHA PEL	Toxicity LD <sub>50</sub>
Acetylene Carbon Black	Black	Odorless	3.5 mg/M <sup>3</sup>	Oral (rat - male and female): > 8,000 mg/kg; Dermal (rabbit): > 3,000 mg/kg
Ethanol	Colorless	No data available	1,000 ppm	Oral (rat): 7,060 mg/kg; LC <sub>50</sub> Inhalation (rat): 10 h - 20000 ppm

