

PLEASE READ BEFORE USE

Dear Users,

Scheduling for this instrument will now be done online via Facility Online Manager (FOM). Some of you are already familiar with this online manager as you have used it in areas such as the clean room or using the microscopy lab. The Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering Department now has its own server on FOM called "CBE Tulane".

The link for the scheduler can be found at <https://www.instrumentschedule.com/fom/>. Please use your phone or computer to go to the link and once there, look for "CBE Tulane" from the list of facilities available. Please then register as a new user and then pick this instrument (UPLC). It may ask you to use an account number, if it does, just put any random number as this version of FOM we are using doesn't support accounting via FOM. After, send me an email saying you have registered. This way, I can update your account for you to start using the scheduler (if you are a new user, you will need training before instrument use). To book time, simply log in, click on the UPLC, and select the time you want to start. A box will then open to specify the details of your reservation. Fill in the details and click on reserve.

Whenever you are finished, please be sure to log off on FOM to mark your reservation as complete. When using the scheduler, please be aware of the following rules.

- 1) New users will require a 2-session training before using FOM to schedule their time. Please email me to schedule training times.**
- 2) Equipment scheduling time will be from 8 AM to 5 PM. Times after this can be scheduled if you are going to be switching out samples or doing overnight runs.
- 3) Please be sure to LOG OFF when you are done from FOM to avoid extra time usage. To log off, just click on the time you reserved when you are done and click "log off".
- 4) If you have not scheduled a time in advance, you can book a time for immediate use if no one has a time booked already. This may be subjected to change if user keeps cancelling too frequently.
- 5) Users can use up to 48 HRS on the instrument. There is no time max time limit so if the user wants more than 48 HRS, scheduling for more than 48 HRS is possible. Please keep in mind that other users may want to use the instrument as well or have it booked already.
- 6) You are allowed to cancel your reservation 10 minutes before your time starts. Any time after this will count as usage time on the instrument for 1 HR operator time.
- 7) If you forget to show up for your reservation, you will be a "No-Show" and charged for the full time reserved (based on operator time).
- 8) If you forget to log out, you will be logged out after 10 minutes and will be charged for 1 HR of operator time.
- 9) Email me if any problems should come up with scheduling.
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Please be sure to follow these rules to avoid any extra charges or banned usages. Banned users will be determined based of a three-strike system of breaking the rule. Strikes are considered the breaking of these rules but are subjected to my (or the instruments manager) discretion.

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Instrument Manager