

CENTER FOR PLANT GENOMICS CRYOSTAT USER/BILLING AGREEMENT FOR CAMPUS USERS

Please print, fill out completely, and fax or mail to:

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Questions about the form may be directed to Hailing at hljin@iastate.edu, 515-294-7491 (phone), or 515-294-5256 (fax). THIS USER AGREEMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE ANY BILLABLE SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED.

Users of cryostat equipment and services are required to provide an account number to which Cryostat Facility charges will be billed. Each user must provide the information below, and must obtain the approval (as indicated by signature) of his/her supervisor/major professor. Bills will be sent out on a monthly basis and will include charges as follows:

- Labor (Facility) - \$23.00/hour (rounded to the nearest ¼ hr.). Includes training and consulting.
- Usage fee (outside of training) - \$4.00/hour

To use the facility, users must use the online system to make a reservation time. Users must cancel reservations by 5 pm the day before the reservation to avoid being billed for unused time.

Users of the cryostat facility must possess demonstrated knowledge in microscopy. Examples of methods to demonstrate sufficient knowledge could include:

- Final grade of B or better in one of the following ISU microscopy courses (BOT679 or BOT681) or equivalent at another university.
- Authorship of a published paper that includes a significant microscopy component conducted by the proposed users.

Users will be required to complete a minimum of 1 hour of training and orientation during their first visit to the facility. This time must be reserved in advance. The length of the training depends on the user's skills and the cryostat technician's evaluation of these skills. Training is billed at the aforementioned labor rate.

User agrees to provide his/her own consumable supplies. The Center for Plant Genomics (CPG) does not sell, supply, or store consumables.

Users accept liability for abnormal equipment breakage. A qualified technician will check the user in before usage and assist the user in signing out prior to the user's departure. The technician and user will inspect the machine for irregular wear and tear during the sign out process.

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