

## Departmental Recycling of Styrofoam, Cold Packs, Plastic Film, Batteries, and Toner Cartridges

Please distribute this email to the students in your lab and to anyone you feel would benefit. The goal is to make recycling easier and more stream-lined so more people in the department make use of the recycling infrastructure that is available here at UT. For those that already have systems in place in their lab for these items (way to go!!); please feel free to disregard this email.

We have a central, departmental recycling drop off location for styrofoam, cold packs, plastic film, batteries (used and rechargeable), and toner cartridges. Items can be placed in BEL 806; bins are labeled and instructions are posted on the wall.

Please note the following:

- **You must remove all tape and labels from your EPS (styrofoam) and plastic film.** This includes manufacturer and shipping labels.
- **All batteries generated in UT Austin labs are eligible to be dropped off.** Though non-single use alkaline batteries are listed as unacceptable below, we will accept them in 806 and dispose of them through EHS.
- **Cold packs must be intact and have no leaks.**

Acceptable Items:



White EPS (REMOVE TAPE AND LABELS)



Clear or Opaque Plastic Film (REMOVE TAPE AND LABELS)



Intact, Defrosted Cold Pack



Plastic Mailers (no paper components)



Bubble Wrap



Air Pillows



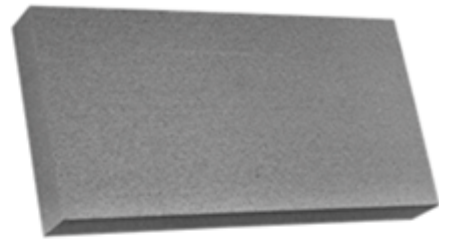
Single-Use Alkaline Batteries



Labels or Tape on EPS or Plastic Film (remove or cut out)



Mixed Materials (unless you remove paper part)



Colored EPS



Sealed Air Instapak



Food Wrappers



Packing Peanuts<sup>+</sup>



Non-Single-Use Alkaline Batteries\*



EPS Food Packaging



Plastic Grocery Bags