Laminar flow cabinets are **not** BSCs

Clean Benches (aka Laminar Flow Cabinets) can look very similar to a BSC, but they only protect samples inside the work zone from external airborne contamination. They **do not** protect the operator.

Observe correct sash position

Always set the sash to the correct height. That is normally indicated on the equipment.

A Bunsen burner should **not** be used

The heat generated by the flame and resulting buoyancy effects will affect the air flow and containment of the BSC. When absolutely necessary, low pilot light electric burners may be used.

Work within the safe areas

**Do not** obstruct any of the front or back air grilles of the cabinet. Work as deep into the work zone as possible.

Move slowly

Minimize disturbance to the air flow barrier by working in a controlled and steady manner, avoiding fast and swiping motion.

BSC is **not** a storage equipment

**Do not** use the BSC as a storage area. Overloading the cabinet with unnecessary items can affect airflow and containment.

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