

Developing and Sustaining Compliance Inspection Programs

How to get it funded!

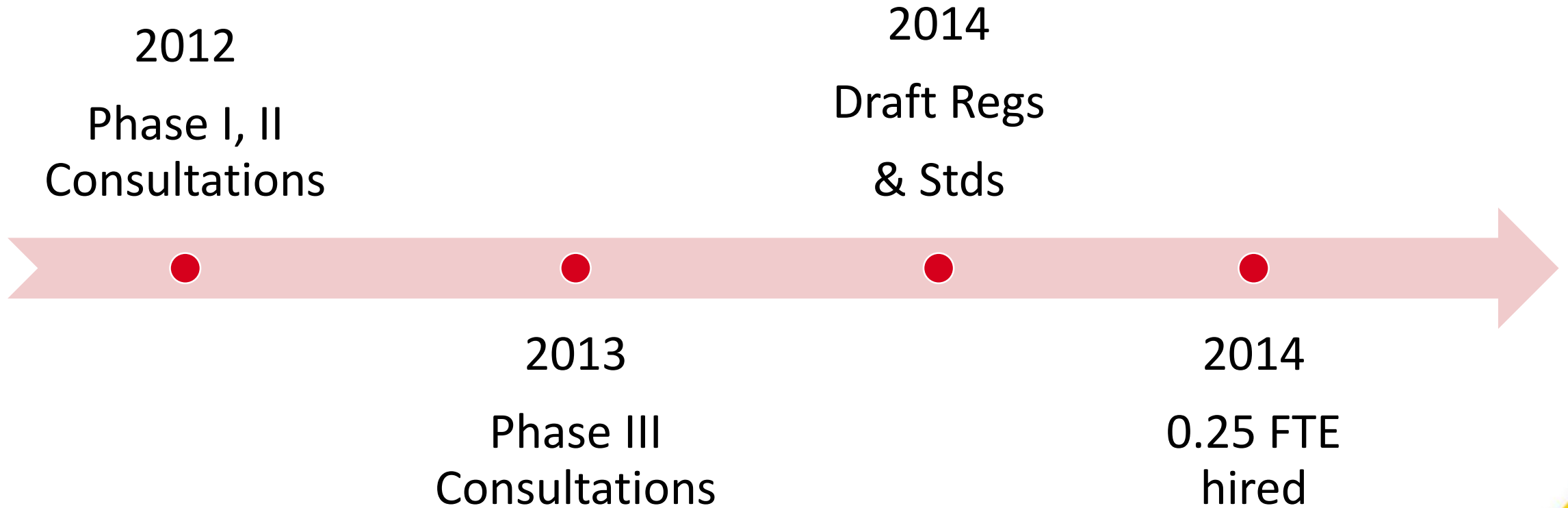
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Preparation for the new licencing regime...



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Biosafety Manual

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To: Biosafety Permit holders, Laboratory Supervisors, Biosafety Committee, Associate Deans (Research) for Medicine, Veterinary Medicine, Science, Engineering, Kinesiology, Arts and Nursing

Biosafety Program – mandatory training to be completed by lab personnel

Mandatory training (online and classroom)

This is a reminder that the [Biosafety Committee](#) unanimously endorsed mandatory online Biosafety Program training in September 2015.

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BIOHAZARD LABORATORY SAFETY RULES

1. Know, understand and comply with all Laboratory Safety Rules.
2. Know, understand and comply with all components of the Biosafety Program and the University's Occupational Health and Safety Management System (OHSMS).

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Biosafety Cabinet (BSC) Safety Notice

Decontamination of the BSC is required prior to:

1. decommissioning and salvage
2. physically moving the cabinet
3. maintenance work, filter changes or performance tests.

Recertification is required annually and/or after relocation.
BSCs are designed for work by one person at a time.

Email biosafety.cabinets@ucalgary.ca to schedule any of the above requests with a qualified contractor.

Date: _____ Bldg: _____ Room No: _____

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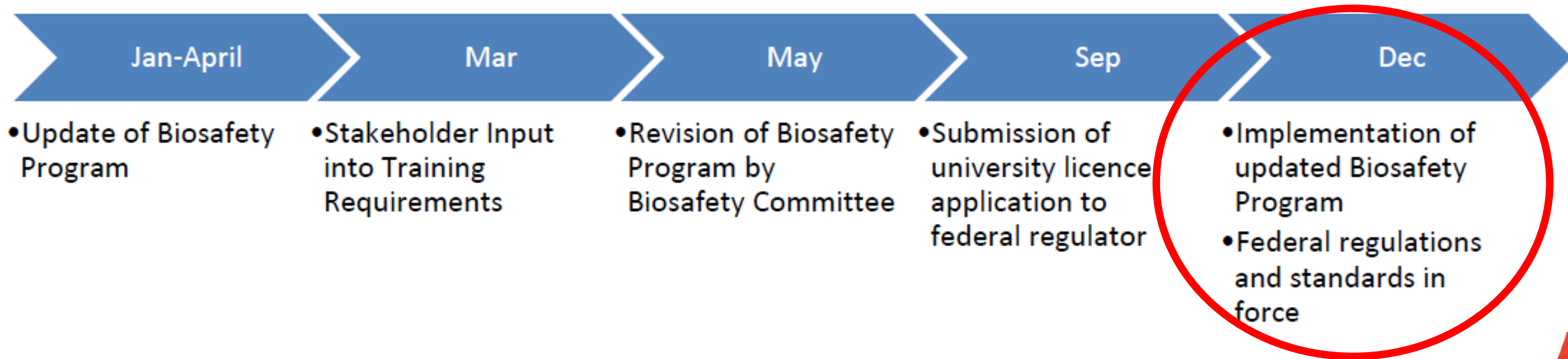
4. For mucous membrane exposure, flush site(s) with water or saline.



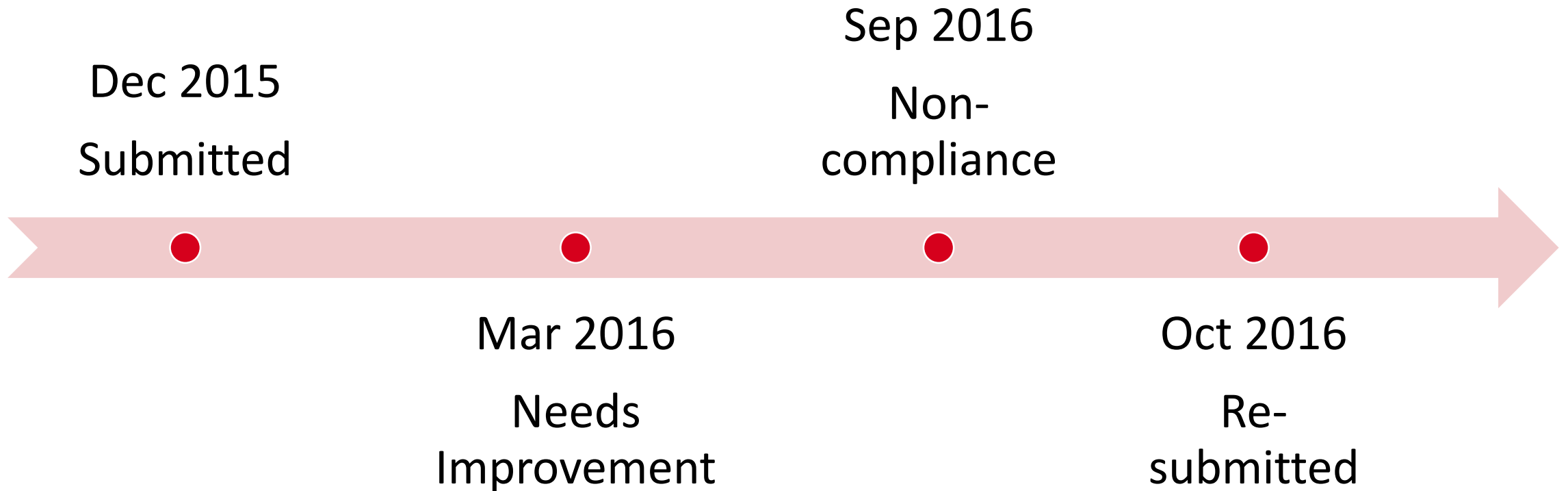
5. Immediately get assessed by a physician.



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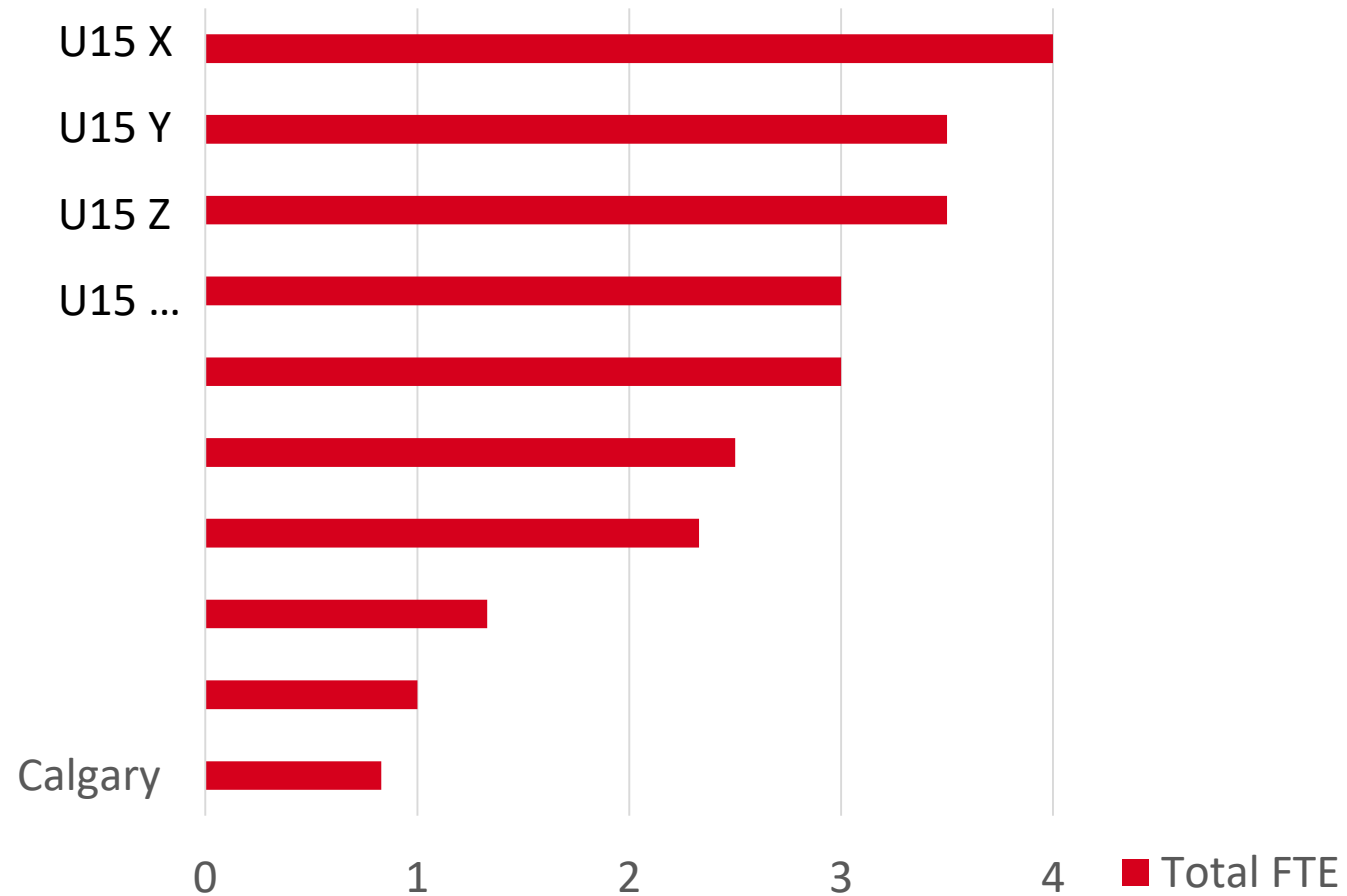


The licence application “needs improvement”...

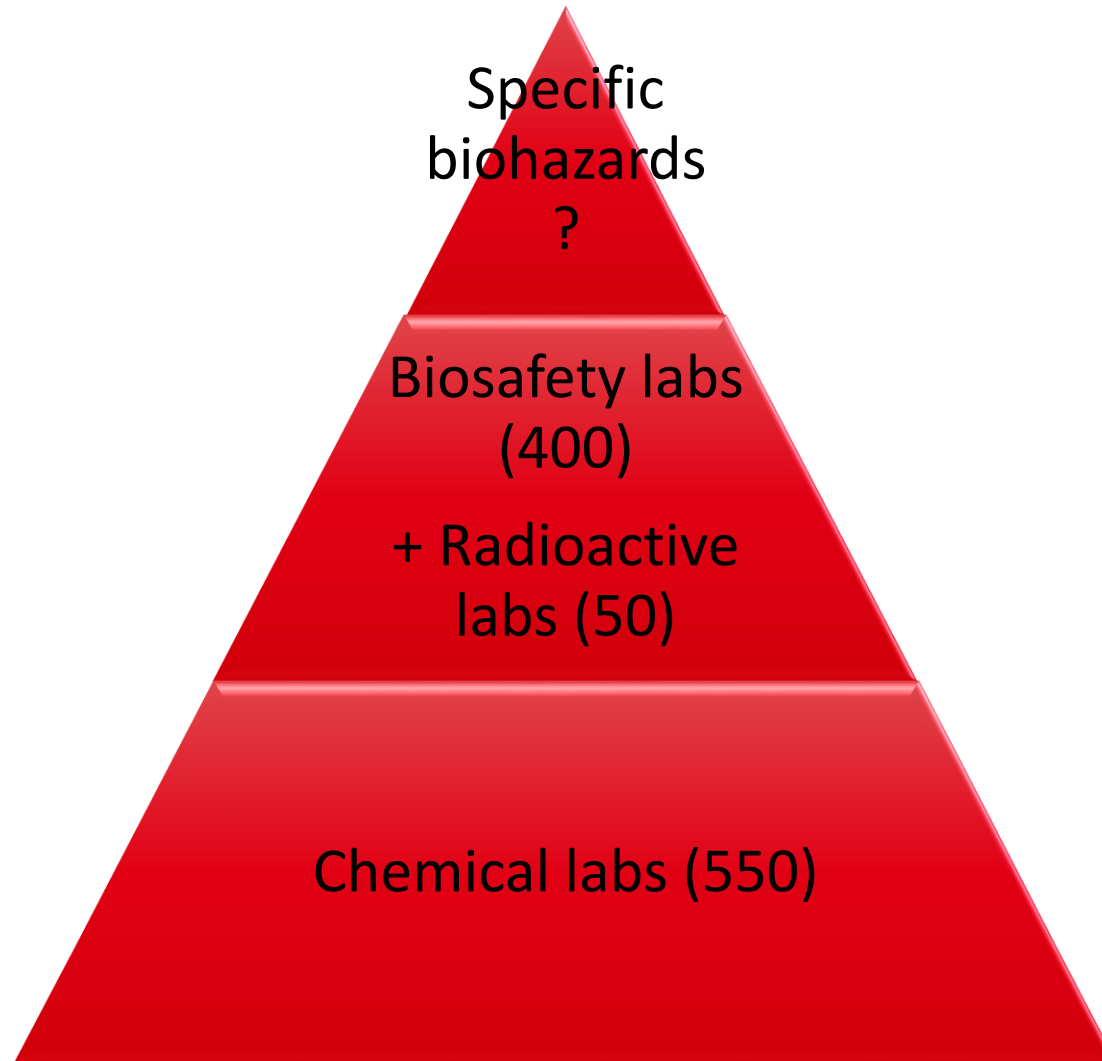


*“The University BSO has made a business case for additional personnel resources to be allocated to the Biosafety Program. That business case is under consideration at present. **In the interim, a part-time Biosafety Program Advisor is hired to assist with compliance inspections.**”*

UCalgary ranks 12th among U15 in terms of biosafety FTE



Inspections to cover diverse lab activities



Purpose of biosafety compliance inspection program

- Monitor compliance for specific biohazards
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- Improve and ensure consistency
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Scope developed against criteria



Government of Canada

Gouvernement du Canada

Public Health Agency of Canada
Centre for Biosecurity

Biosafety Directive

for Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), Human T-lymphotropic Virus (HTLV), and Related Simian Retroviruses

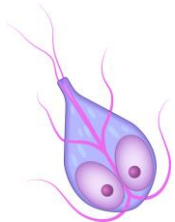
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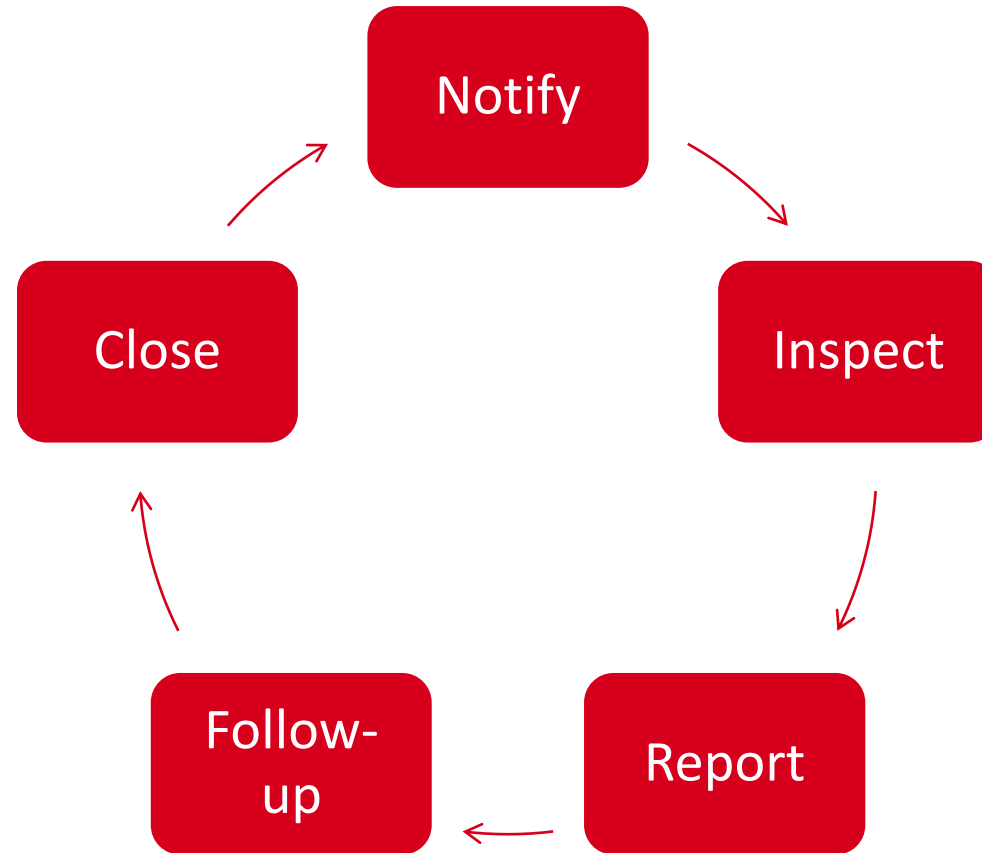
Let's prioritize our biohazard risks

Specific Biohazard Types

1. HIV
2. Prion (CL2)
3. Aquatic pathogens (AQC2)
4. Sand fly (Arthropod)
5. Small Animal Containment (CL2-SA)
6. Small Animal-Prion Containment (CL2-SA-Prion)
7. Large Animal Containment (CL2-Ag)



Adhere to annual inspection process

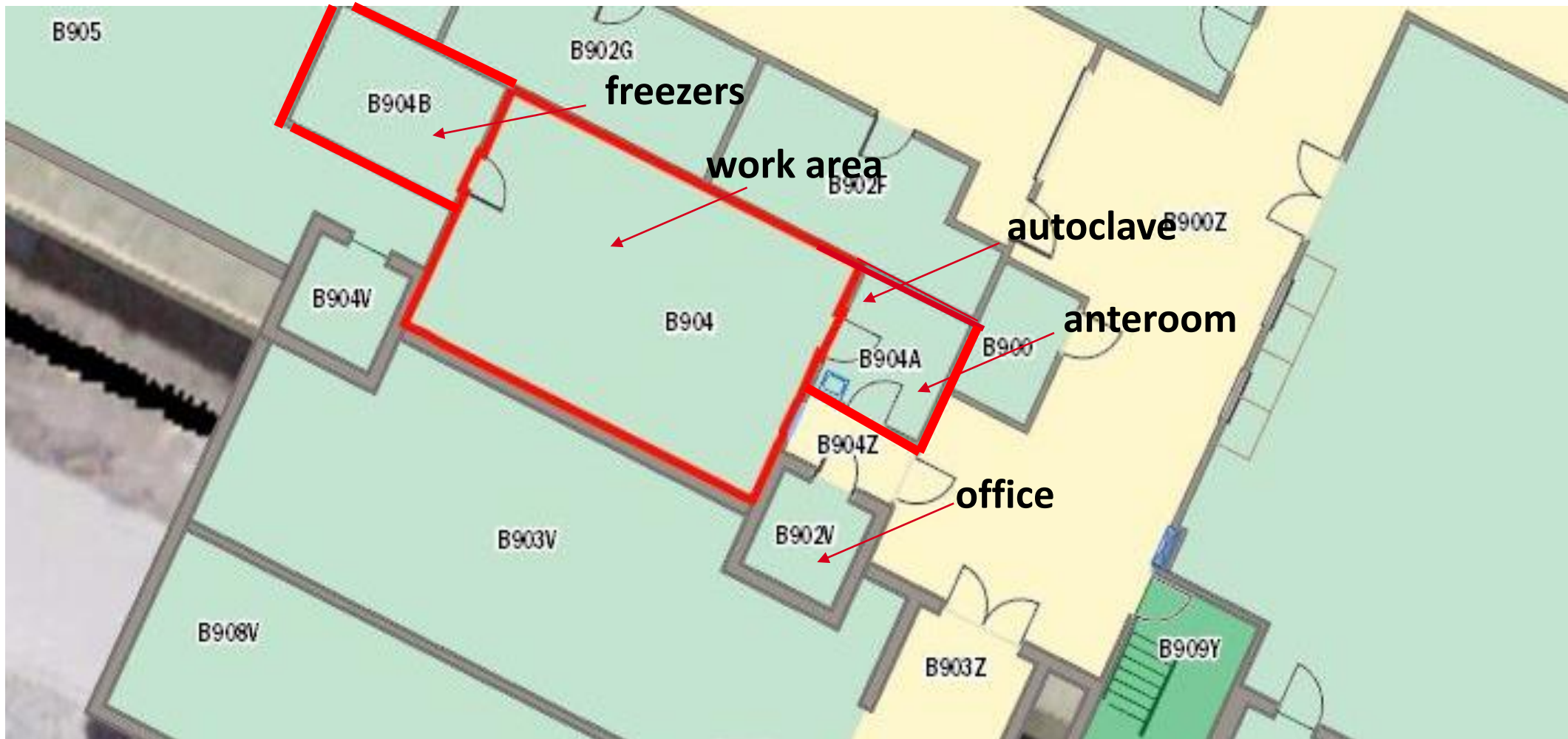


Variety and complexity of lab types across campuses

■ SA ■ HIV ■ Arthropod ■ Prion ■ SA-Prion ■ Aquatic ■ Ag



Floor plans help in understanding the facility



Visuals help others unfamiliar with facility



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AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL AS LISTED WITHIN CHEMATIX



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

No access for Caretaking, Facilities, Campus Security, or others unless escorted by Authorized Personnel.
Medical surveillance program in effect (Aquatic).

PRIMARY CONTACT PERSON:

Dr Heather Jamniczky 403-210-6647 or
Campus Security 403-220-5333

Date: April 23, 2018 Building: BI Room No: 08

Keep information current. Review annually and revise as required.



Visuals (Laboratory-specific)



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Central, staffed autoclave facilities are leaders...



Laboratory-specific PPE keeps us safe (and it's fun!)



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Common findings prompt further action

- Fabric chairs
- Open lab doors
- Exposed wood
- Housekeeping



- Non-reproducible key to access labs
- Training records
- SOPs
- Decontamination records



Common Findings (Facilities-specific)

- Eyewash, ceiling lights, floor/wall notches, sealant, fire extinguishers



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- What kind of SOP is needed for “Escaped sand flies”?!

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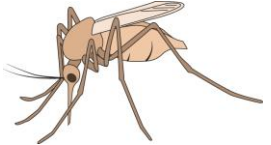


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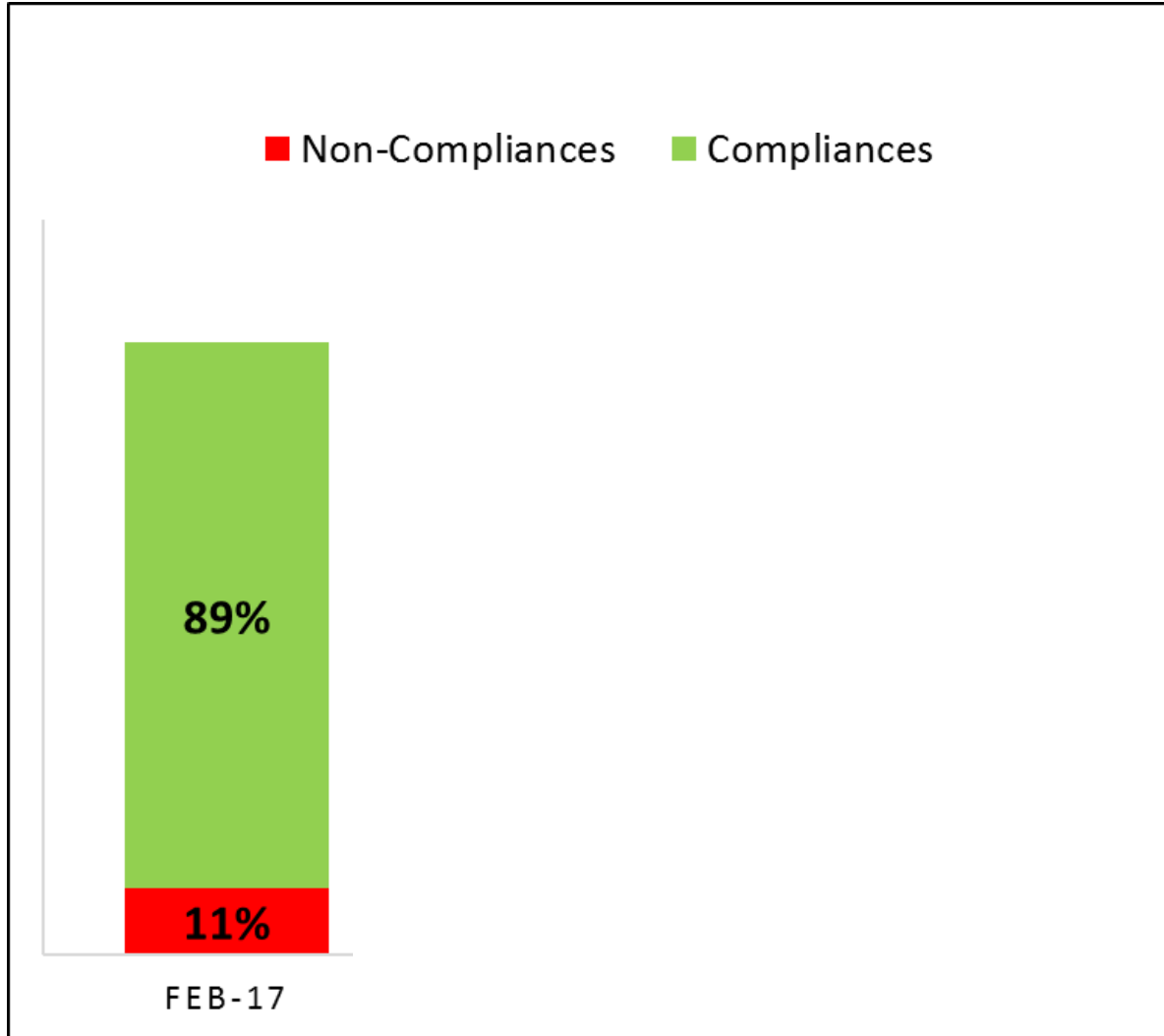


13 deficiencies in 2018 including:

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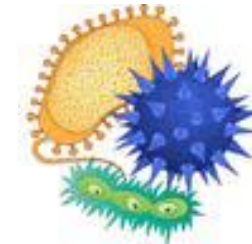


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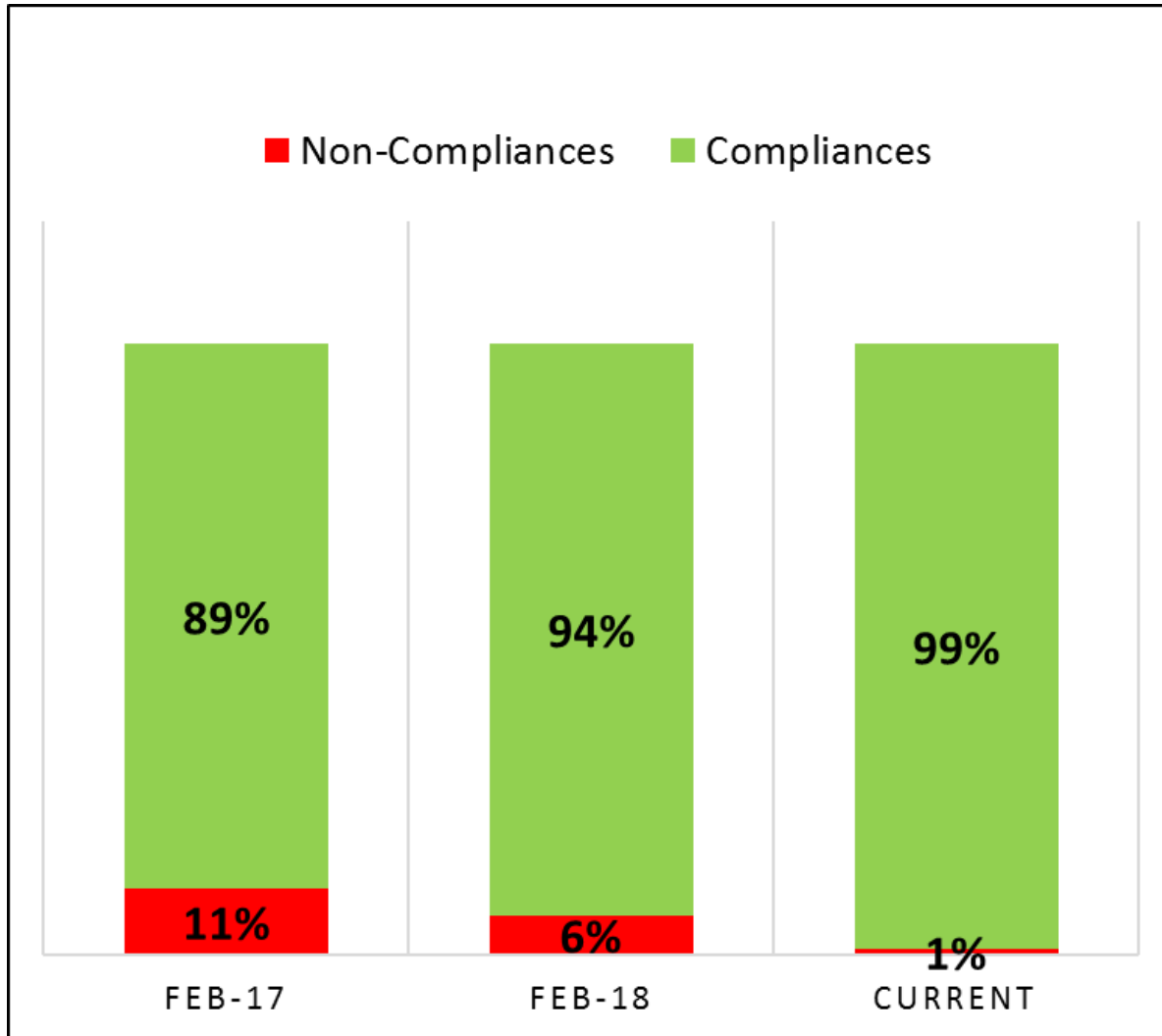
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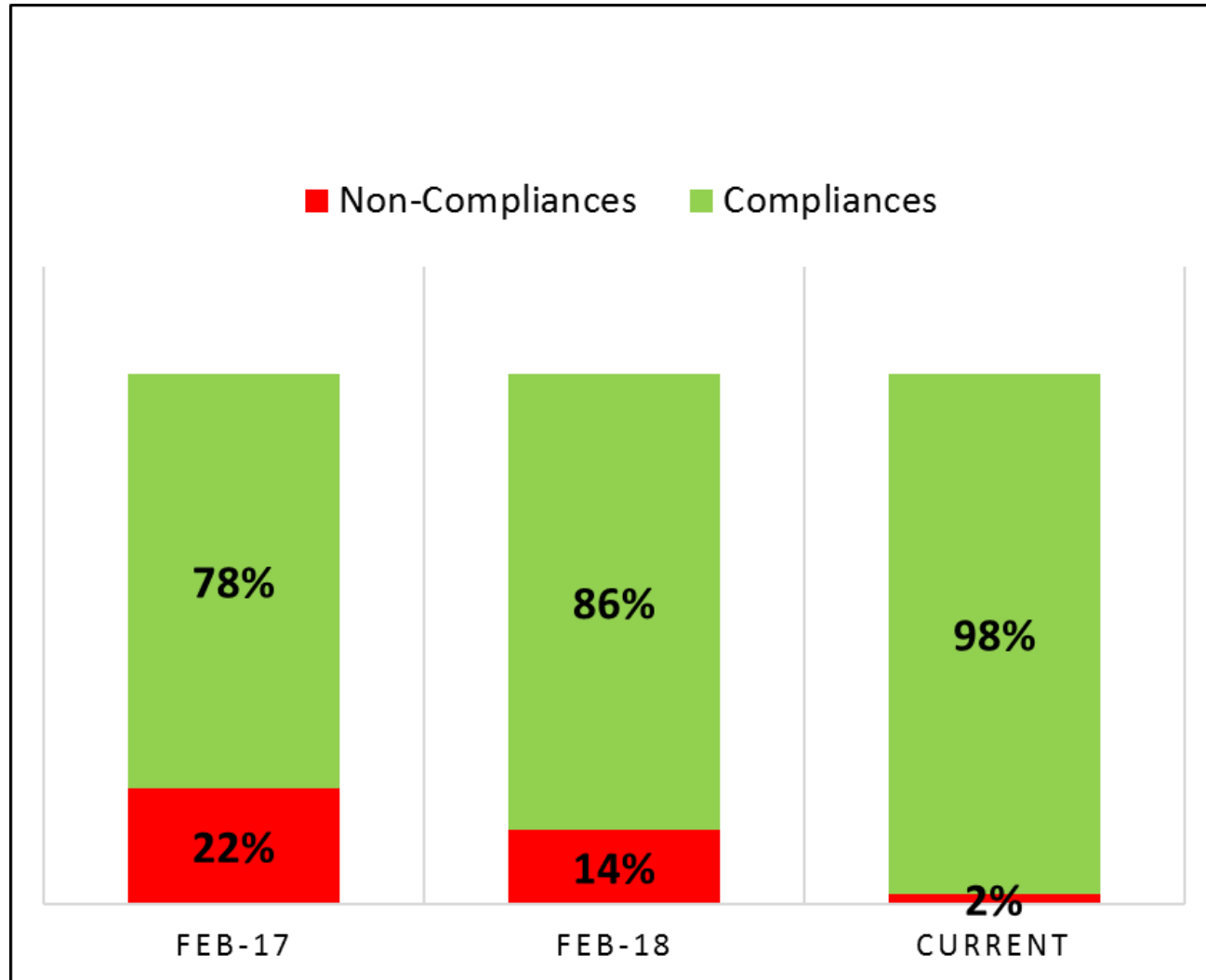


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Double the deficiencies vs other HIV (RG3) lab



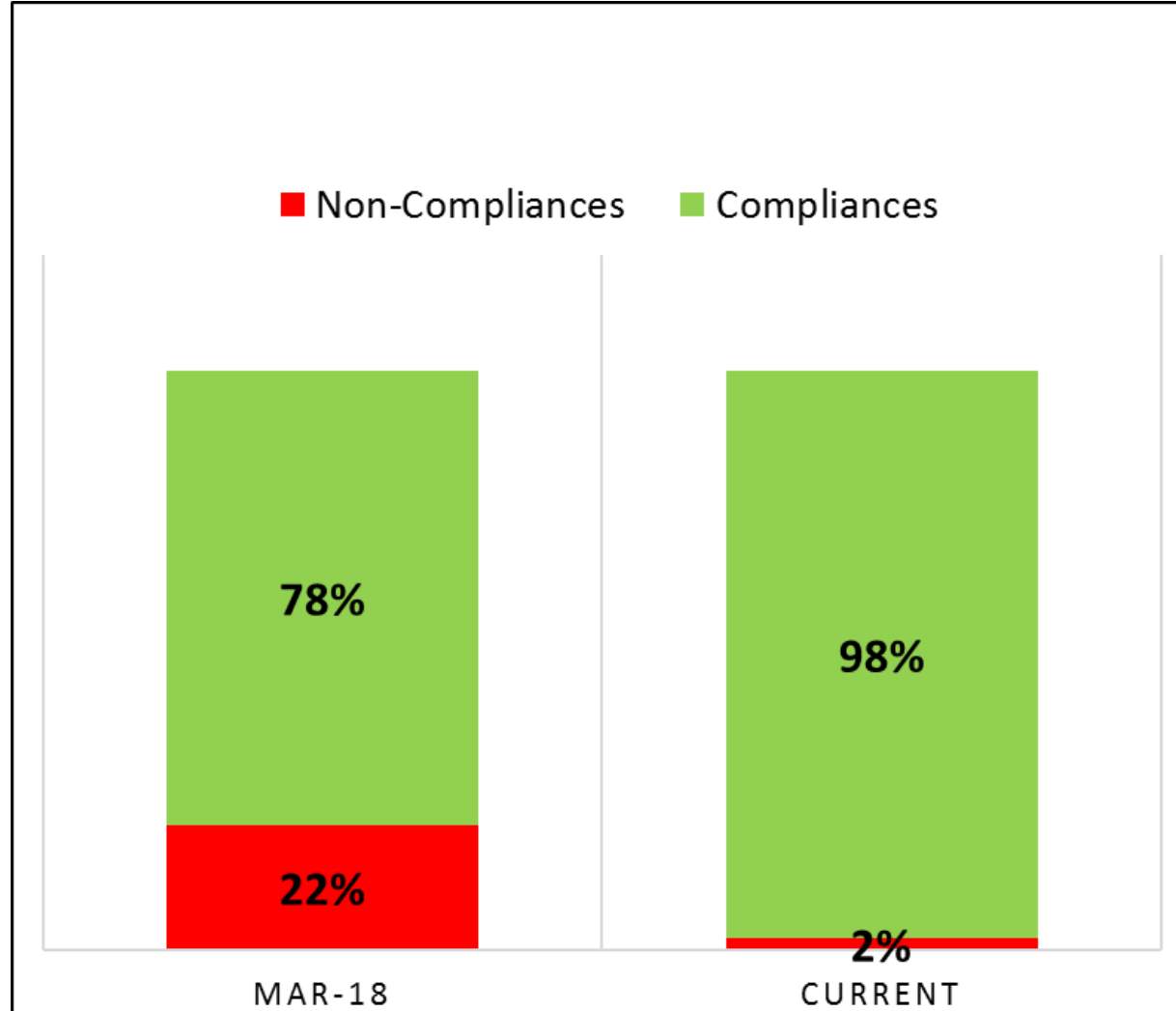
15 deficiencies including:

- Doors stoppers
- Doors kept open
- Training records
- Decontamination records





Prion facility has significant wear and tear



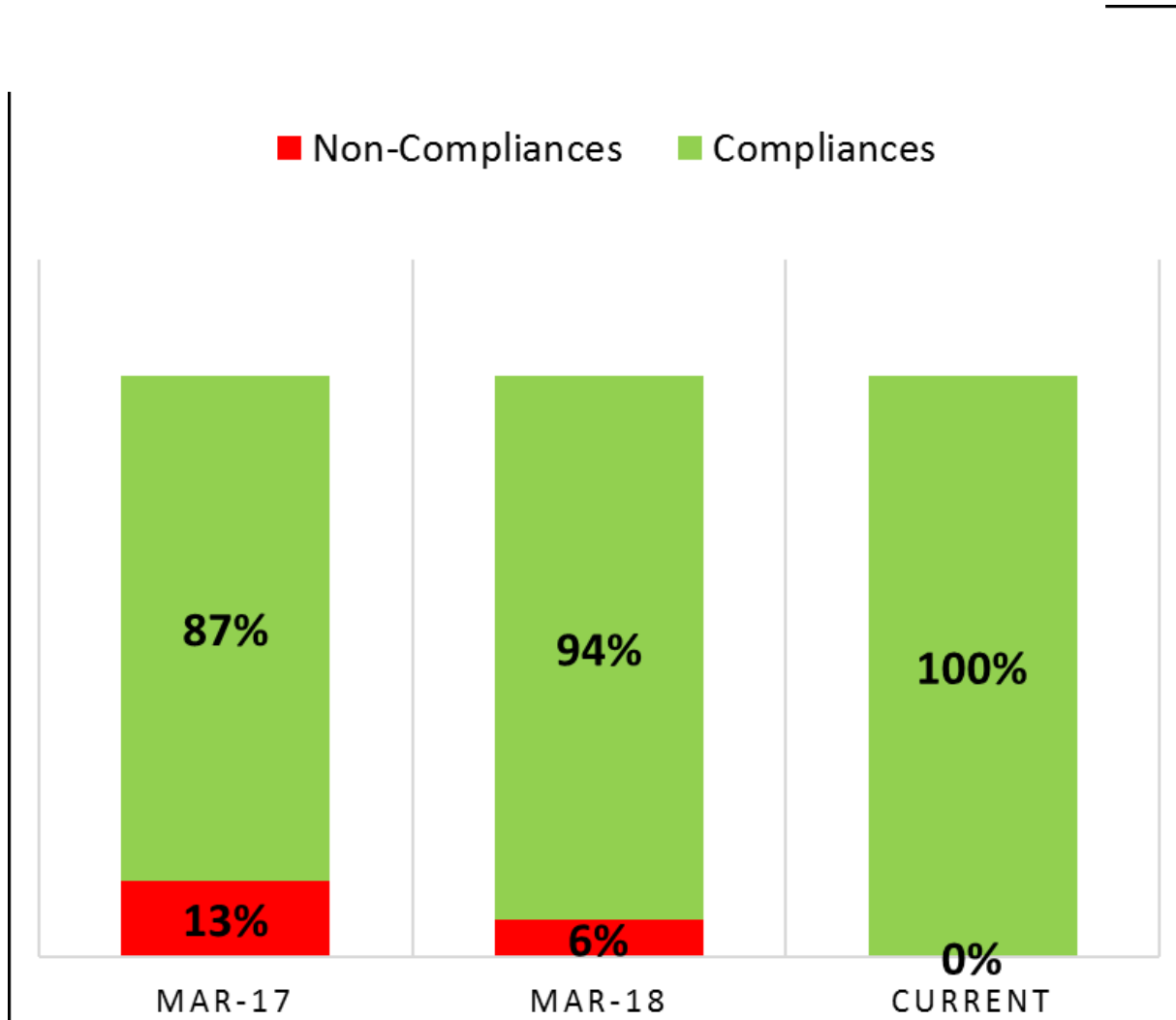
32 deficiencies including:

- Sealant broken
- Access control
- Training records
- HACF/Lab manual/SOPs update
- Decontamination process



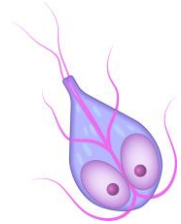


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5 deficiencies including:

- Housekeeping
- Labelling for transport
- Training
- Gasket repair



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