

Green Labs Working Group

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Overview

Looking around your lab feeling overwhelmed by the landfill load and hum of numerous appliances? You are not alone! The Green Labs Working Group is a team of UVA research stakeholders that meets periodically throughout the school year to inform ongoing development of the UVA Green Labs Program. Members explore a variety of topics ranging from procurement to cutting edge lab techniques that can help labs become greener. In addition, group members receive email notifications when UVA Green Labs announces events, programs, or competitions. Want to stay tuned or send a representative from your group to the next meeting? Email greenlabs@virginia.edu to get added to our mailing list!

Goals or Projects

- Reducing energy, water, and waste in lab settings
- Promoting sustainable purchasing for labs
- Advancing green chemistry
- Providing sustainable resources for the surrounding scientific community

Yearly Progress Update

In 2018 and 2019, the International Institute for Sustainable Laboratories recognized UVA as a leader in sustainable lab procurement through the Green Labs Working Group's promotion and support of the ACT label. The Working Group also helped to organize UVA's first MilliporeSigma ech2o® water purification cartridge recycling program on Earth Day (2019) and UVA's third Green Labs Resource Fair held on September 5th 2019 in the Pinn Hall Conference Center. The resource fair featured a variety of exhibitors including UVA Recycling, UVA Environmental Health and Safety, and a variety of science supply vendors who provide sustainable products, practices, and services.

Resources and Contact Information

- [UVA Green Labs Webpage](#)
- Email: greenlabs@virginia.edu
- [UVA Green Labs Facebook Page](#)