

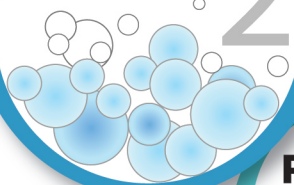
What happens in the lab stays  
in the lab...

**WASH** your hands!

**Use soap and  
warm water**



**Scrub  
for 20 seconds**



**Rinse**



**Dry with  
paper towel**



**Use towel  
to turn off  
faucet**

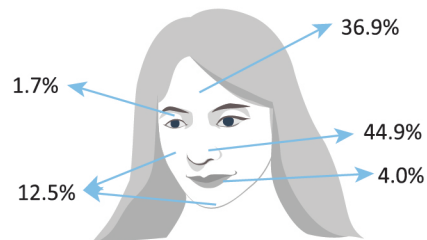


## Hands off

Don't touch your face

Over 5000 unintentional infections  
have been reported among  
laboratory workers.

Observational study of lab workers :  
2.6 Hand-to-Face contacts (HFC) per hour



Locations of HFC

Hand transmission is suspected as a  
causal of exposure in laboratory  
acquired infections.

Johnston JD, Eggett D, Johnson MJ, & Reading JC. (2014).  
The influence of risk perception on biosafety level-2 laboratory  
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