

[Visit the MCN Website here](#)

[View this email in your browser](#)



Dear MCN Users-

I hope you're all doing well and have been able to take advantage of the easing of restrictions. This letter is just a quick update to advise on a couple of planned interruptions to facility access and some changes related to VIC's progression on the COVID roadmap.

### Annual cleaning and gas bunker works

As mentioned in a previous update, we have had to push our normal Melbourne Cup cleaning and maintenance activities in order to align with the completion of the new MCN gas bunker. This has been done to minimise overall impact on you, the user. Details as follows:

- **December 3rd-10th** — Cleanroom labs will be closed to all users for deep cleaning, electrical works and gas cabinet relocation. Note: some tools such as RIEs may need to come down a bit sooner to allow adequate time for pump out of gas lines. This will be communicated on a per tool basis by relevant staff.
- **December 6th-7th** — All non-cleanroom laboratories closed to normal use save for time critical tasks such as feeding cells which can occur with permission from the Facility Manager **Michael Imsic**. A note to resident users in these spaces: Michael will be reaching out shortly re: help needed and plans for the week.

### University Holiday Shutdown

- **December 21st - Jan 5th** — During this time, the facility will be unstaffed. All MCN cleanroom instrumentation will be brought down or into a safe idle state for critical maintenance and annual vacuum integrity testing. No user activity in cleanrooms is permitted during this period. Access to wet laboratories will be permitted for low risk activity and maintenance of cultures etc. Users seeking facility access during this time must clear activity with the Facility Manager, **Michael Imsic**.

As a reminder, full details/updates concerning the operational status of the MCN as well as Victorian node capability hubs can always be found [here](#).

Best,

---

## In other news...

---

### Update: Victoria's COVID Roadmap

From 6pm Friday 29<sup>th</sup> of October, Melbourne will be transitioning to Phase C of **Victoria's COVID Roadmap**, as 80% of the eligible population (16 year or older) are double vaccinated. This means that MCN is able to open to all users. Approved Worker permits and essential research criteria no longer apply. Training and scheduled inductions will also resume. All staff, students and visitors, including contractors, attending the MCN must be double vaccinated as per the **Direction of the Chief Health Officer**. Details of COVID-19 digital vaccination certificates and how to download to the **Service Victoria App** are available on the **DHHS's website**. All users must use the Services Victoria App to check in and show proof of vaccination when asked. Additional restrictions will apply depending on the Chief Health Officers advice at the time. Currently this includes, the wearing of face masks, maintaining physical distancing and complying with density quotients. Please follow all directions from staff or signage.

---



### Final reminder: Register today for the 2021 ANFF Showcase

The event is a platform for engineers, researchers, and anyone working in R&D to hear about cutting-edge research enabled by nanofabrication. You'll engage with the hundreds of companies and research groups that form Australia's nanofab community.

ANFF-VIC is hosting an in person screening of the event at the Monash Biomedical Imaging Auditorium (770 Blackburn Road, Clayton, Vic, 3168).

We hope to see you there, click [here to view the flyer and program](#), or [here to register](#).



MCN is proud to be part of the Australian National Fabrication Facility

MCN is supported by:



MCN is partnered with:



151 Wellington Road, Clayton 3168 | [mcn-enquiries@nanomelbourne.com](mailto:mcn-enquiries@nanomelbourne.com) | +613 9902 4073 | [www.nanomelbourne.com](http://www.nanomelbourne.com)



Copyright © 2021 Melbourne Centre for Nanofabrication, All rights reserved.

[unsubscribe from this list](#) [update subscription preferences](#)

