













1 - Does your Institution suggest that **COVID-19 research** should be prioritised over other research?

Yes – 38%

No – 42%

Don’t know – 20%

2 - Are facility staff responsible for deciding whether some users should receive priority access to the cytometers?

Yes – 45%

No – 40%

Not sure – 15%

3 - If we choose to prioritize for cytometry and/or service work, on what basis?

**Check all that you think should be prioritised**

Manuscripts under final revision – 66%

Manuscripts close to submission – 33%

Students finishing their MSc/PhD – 61%

Postdocs finishing their position and moving on to another job – 48%

Grants about to end – 42%

Preliminary data for grant applications – 21%

Animal work (vs. cell culture) – 45%

Biggest users (“loyal” user award) 6%

Internal vs. external – 43%

“Squeaky wheel” – he/she who shouts the loudest – 4%

4 - Is your facility currently open?

Yes, only for COVID – 14%

Yes, open (with COVID-19 restrictions in place) – 67%

No, but we will re-open in the next week – 7%

No, and we will not re-open in the next week – 12%

5 - For those that have reopened, how have things gone?

Easier in practice than I expected – 17%

More challenging than I expected – 23%

As I expected – 32%  
 N/A – 29%

6 - Are you running at a reduced staffing within your team?

Yes, because of staff shielding or sickness – 8%

Yes, because of institutional policy on reduced occupancy – 71%

No, not required - 18%

No, but we would rather have made adjustments - 2%

7 - How much buffer time are people actually implementing?

0 – 30%

1-15 mins – 45%

16-30 min – 17%

31 mins - 60 mins – 6%

>1 hr – 1%

8 - Are you using gloves?

Yes – 88%

No – 1%  
 Optional – 10%

9 - Is the glove policy changed from your pre-COVID policy?

Yes – 36%

No – 64%

10 - Are masks being worn?

Mandated – 47%

Optional/Recommended – 30%

Not worn – 23%

11- Are your PPE rules above and beyond the

institutional guidelines?

Yes – 23%

No – 61%

Don’t know – 16%