**Guidance for Purchasing a Safe to Store Controlled Substances**

1. When using a small safe to store controlled substances, the safe must be bolted to an immovable object.
2. I recommend purchasing a safe with a digital electronic lock whose codes can be re-set as laboratory staff changes. This also avoids the issue of key control.
3. Before purchasing a safe be sure that you pay attention to the safer dimensions as it relates to the amount of controlled substances you will store and the amount of space you have for installation. Be aware of how the door opens in relation to the installation site.
4. The following website with prices may be helpful in evaluating a safe for purchase:

<http://www.buyasafe.com/Electronic-Lock-s/29.htm>

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