

COBRE-PSF Core Lab Recharge Rates for 2013

The University of Kansas has a formal procedure for setting Core Lab recharge rates across the campus. We have used this process to determine equitable Core Labs rates for the coming year.

The fundamental calculation in determining a service lab rate is total estimated cost divided by total estimated usage. Our estimates of both costs and usage are based on extensive historical data as well as the judgment of the Lab Directors, Steering Committees and others. We have tried to be both conservative and realistic in making these estimates (see below for rates and a summary of what is included). These rates are intended to be examined periodically and adjusted as needed.

Please keep in mind that COBRE Core Labs, unlike many others, receive no University subsidy or support (other than lab space and utilities). Thus, the full costs, minus what COBRE pays directly, must be covered by billing individual clients. Importantly, all clients/projects are billed at the same rates.

A majority of the costs for COBRE-supported projects are paid directly from the COBRE grant. Other investigators may apply for a "**Core Lab Coupon**" that can be applied toward Core Lab costs, but these coupons must be arranged before the project is started. To inquire, please contact Dr. R. P. Hanzlik directly (rhanzlik@ku.edu or 785-864-3750).

Summary of COBRE Core Lab Rates (effective January 1, 2013)

These rates are for COBRE Investigators and other users of COBRE-PSF Core Labs on the KU Lawrence campus. In some cases, rates for off-campus users may be higher due to F&A charges; for details please inquire. Rates are subject to change. **Please note:** As projects progress, Core Lab clients are billed on a monthly basis for work done during the preceding month.

Protein Production Group (Core B)

1. Staff Time: **\$47/hr**
2. Lab & Instrument Usage: Lab maintenance & upkeep, service contracts, repair & maintenance expenses, office supplies, communication costs, general lab instruments, reagents & supplies (plastic, glass, gloves, etc.): **\$11/hr**
3. FPLC Use (3 instruments): column costs, repair/replacement parts & maintenance: **\$7/hr**
4. Biacore Use: maintenance costs (does NOT include chips): **\$10/hr**
5. Project-specific consumables: billed at cost per item.

Protein Structure Lab (Core C)

1. Staff Time: **\$70/hr**
2. Generator Usage: hardware maintenance, repair parts, service calls, consumables, (helium, filaments, etc.): **\$8/hr**
3. Wet-Lab Usage: (lab maintenance, filters, concentrators, tips, tubes, use of shipping Dewars (if needed), office supplies, communication costs): **\$9/hr**
4. Plates, reagents, consumables: at cost per item.

Bio-NMR Lab (Core D)

1. Staff Time: **\$64/hr**
2. Console maintenance, cryogenics, office supplies, communication costs (600 & 800 accounted separately):
AV800 **\$10/hr**
AVIII 600 **\$7.50/hr**
3. Consumables (if any): at cost per item.