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Chemists Working Overtime

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Description

A student stumbles upon something unexpected in the chemistry lab.

Body

You are a sophomore undergraduate student taking an organic chemistry class. Working late in the lab late one day you have a question about your experiment. While looking for someone who can answer your question, you overhear a professor and two graduate students talking about methamphetamines. They also appear to be in the process of preparing to make them. You quickly leave the room before they noticed you.

- What should you do, if anything?

Notes

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Resource Type

Case Study / Scenario
Mini-case

Parent Collection

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Topics

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