



green LABS^ update

Meet Our Green Lab Associates

The Caltech Green Labs Network has some new faces. Please help us in welcoming Isabella Zhang and Daniel Kyme, who will be joining our team as Green Lab Associates for the remainder of this academic year.

Isabella comes to Caltech from British Columbia, and she is pursuing a B.S. in Chemical Engineering. She was previously a summer undergraduate research fellow in the Guttman Lab and currently works as the Social Media Director for the Engineers Without Borders Caltech chapter.



Daniel comes to Caltech from Virginia, and he is pursuing a B.S. in Computer Science and Business, Economics, & Management. He works as an undergraduate research fellow in the Van Valen Lab and is an active participant in the Student Investment Fund.

Look for Daniel and Isabella to reach out to your lab in the near future!

Green Labs Scorecard

Help your lab engage in some friendly competition with the new green labs scorecard. The green lab associates will be reaching out to you about this scorecard, but feel free to take the initiative and get started on these green actions.

Tier	Points Required
Bronze	5
Silver	15
Gold	25
Platinum	30

Earn certification and recognition from Caltech Sustainability for your green actions in the lab!

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Green Lab Tip

Every month, we'll be sharing new green labs tips, but we want to hear from you on how you made your lab more sustainable last month. Email Maximilian Christman (mchristm@caltech.edu) to share your story.

February's Sustainability Topic: Lab Plastic Waste

Fact

- Petroleum-based packaging material is resource intensive to make and difficult to recycle.



What Can You Do?

- Work with vendors and lab managers on choosing material that has less unneeded packaging.
- Reuse styrofoam peanuts and white foam by taking them to a stockroom or the mail room.
- Participate in vendor programs for recycling pipette tip boxes from Fischer Scientific, VWR, and Corning Labware, or use Terracycle for numerous materials that are hard to recycle.

