CNSI Innovation Workshop Combination Sander User Outline

This guide may be found online through the Innovation Workshop and Microfluidics wiki.

Location

The combination belt/disk sander is located in 2448 Elings Hall on the bench next to Fume Hood #3.

Safety

- Follow the basic machine tool safety protocol: safety glasses, long pants, closed toe shoes, no loose clothing, jewelry or hair that may get caught in the moving machine
- Workpiece must be supported on the rest so that it is not pulled out of your hand.
- Connect a vacuum to the sander if you will be generating a lot of dust.
- Friction may heat workpiece to high temperatures be careful not to touch hot surfaces.
- Keep body parts clear of sandpaper. Use a tool to hold small parts.
- Don't wear bracelets, dangling articles of clothing, gloves or long sleeves while using the sander.

Training

Training is required before using the sander.

Overview

The grinder is a benchtop grinder with two abrasive discs. It is used to remove material

User Guide

Sequence of operation:

- 1. Wear proper PPE (safety glasses), face shield if needed
- 2. Mark workpiece, for example with a marker or scribe tool.
- 3. Turn on grinder. Stand to one side of the grinder until the wheel reaches operating speed.
- 4. Bring work into contact with the grinding wheel slowly and smoothly, without bumping.
- 5. Apply gradual pressure to allow the wheel to warm up evenly. Use only the pressure required to complete a job.
- 6. Move the work back and forth across the face of the wheel. This movement prevents grooves from forming.
- 7. Remove workpiece, turn off grinder
- 8. Use the shop vacuum to clean metal dust from work area.

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Frequently Asked Questions

- What materials can I grind?
 - Ferrous (iron containing) metals such as steel and cast iron
 - Never grind softer metals such as aluminum or magnesium.
 - Never grind plastics or wood

Accident Response

• In the event of injury, contact lab staff and emergency services if necessary (?)

Maintenance

- Use wire brushes to clear metal residue out of grinding wheel
- Adjust grinding wheel guide as wheel wears

Supplies (In drawer labeled "Grinder Accessories")

- 2 silicon carbide 8" grinding wheels
- 1 buffing wheel
- Wire bristle brushes
- Grinding compounds

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