

# Darkroom Suggested Supply List

A darkroom is imperative for the optimal function of AdaptDx. Attention to details helps provide a testing environment that renders the most accurate results.

## Common darkroom problems

- Light from under or around door jams
- Light from windows
- Monitors from other devices
- Light from desk phones and printers
- Watches and cell phones

**Recommendation:** Sit in the dark room for 5 minutes. At that point, any ambient lighting will be apparent. Look for light coming from under the doors, the door jam, vents, windows, power strips, other devices, etc.

## Darkroom solutions

### Under-door solutions

- Self-adhesive door sweeps  
<https://amzn.to/2W0PdGZ>
- Draft seal  
<https://bit.ly/2Mkq6PA>

### Window and door jams

- Blackout curtains, curtain rods, and holders
  - Blackout curtains that are labeled as blocking 98.9-99.9% of light
  - Purchase adjustable curtain rods that can hold the weight of the curtains. Curtain rods can be secured by hanging with included hardware, or you may use 3M Command hooks to avoid damaging the wall.
- Weatherstrip  
<https://bit.ly/2HOElbo>

### Equipment lights

- Black electrical tape: Cover any indicator lights, power strip lights, lights from monitors, phones, etc.
- Blackout curtains: For equipment emanating light that cannot be turned off, cover it with blackout curtains to eliminate all light source from the device. Dust covers are generally not light blocking.

## Eye Patches

- For the best light protection during testing, we suggest using Pro-Optics eye patches: <https://bit.ly/2S4Zlhw>

## Battery Backup

Please make sure your AdaptDx is connected to the battery-backed outlets of an uninterruptable power supply (UPS). A UPS provides better protection from power fluctuations than a power-surge protector. It is important to connect to a UPS in order to avoid potential file corruption that may occur as a result of power disruption.

We recommend battery backups manufactured by the brand APC.

<https://bit.ly/2Z2hMqg>