I don’t know about you, but it has been kind of a ho-hum week. Maybe it’s the weather? Maybe because it is so dark in the morning when I leave for work. Or maybe it’s the seemingly incessant jackhammering at the Lecture Hall?

Things are shaking all over in the Lab II that is for sure. I received a complaint about the jackhammering noise from somebody (not to be identified) in Lab I, so I know it is impacting a number of people. It is what it is at this point. My office is also right outside the Lecture Hall work area, so I have empathy for you being temporary victims of this loud work. There is a lot of concrete to be removed, so we will have about another week or two of the jackhammer noise. If this noise is really impacting your focus and work in your office please let me know. There might be another location we could put your office temporarily. This might be possible for a few people, not for everyone on campus. So don’t you all start lining up at my office door!

We should start seeing actual construction work taking place next week. Formwork and concrete reinforcement for building footings and foundations will start being installed around Wednesday.

I haven’t had any great construction photos for you in the past few weeks. But if you need a bit of photog image stimulation, and are looking to momentarily escape spaceship earth - the NASA image of the day can be found here: http://www.nasa.gov/image-feature/morning-aurora-from-the-space-station What a view to take in while getting ready for the day. If you look really, really close, and you have good eyes, you can see the Evergreen Clock Tower in the lower right corner.

It looks to be a soggy Saturday. Stay warm and dry.

Cheers!
Tim