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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?

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