Nebulizer Cleaning

- Never use a wire
- Ultrasonic bath is not a good idea
- Not a good idea to place a finger over the nozzle end
- Best is to push (or pull) solvent back through the nebulizer:
  - Suction on the liquid inlet – water aspirator, syringe, pipet bulb
  - Gas pressure on nozzle
- Start with the same solvent (typically dilute acid)
- Soak in more aggressive solvent mix
- Rinse with appropriate solvent
- Prevention: end of day –
  - Rinse with dilute acid blank – 2 – 5 min
  - Rinse with deionized water – 2 – 5 min