

Biological Spill Response

Step One: Initial Response *Contact EHS at any time if you need assistance*

In Primary Containment

Biosafety Cabinet

Leave cabinet motor on

If spill enters cabinet grates, see *Biological Spill Planning and Response Manual** for cleanup procedure

Centrifuge

Post "**Biohazard Spill: Do Not Open**" sign on centrifuge and leave lid closed for 30 minutes

Put on additional PPE and relocate closed cup, rotor, etc. to biosafety cabinet
(If items can not be removed, close lid, replace sign, and contact EHS for assistance)

Outside Primary Containment

Incubator

Close door and turn off incubator

Alert other lab staff to leave, post "**Biohazard Spill: Do Not Enter**" sign on door, and evacuate room for 30 minutes

Remove any contaminated PPE and dispose of in red bags

Collect Biospill Kit* and put on new PPE

Laboratory

Step Two: Spill Cleanup Procedure

- 1 Cover** spill area with paper towels, then with disinfectant. Let sit for minimum contact.
- 2 Collect** paper towels into a red waste bag. Use tongs/forceps to pick up any sharps or broken glass.
- 3 Wipe down** all nearby surfaces with disinfectant. Discard all spill materials into red bag waste container.
- 4 Dispose** of used PPE in red bags. Wash hands.
- 5 Report** to PI/Supervisor. As necessary, report to EHS at ehs@med.cornell.edu or **646-962-7233**.

**For more information: Review the Biological Spill Planning and Response Manual at ehs.weill.cornell.edu*