Exposure and Injury Responses

Get Help
For emergencies, seek assistance from a nearby coworker!

First Aid and Decontamination
- Chemical Exposure: Flush with eyewash or safety shower for 15 minutes
- Inhalation or Ingestion: Seek medical assistance immediately
- Biological or Radiological:
  - Skin Exposure: Wash with soap and water for 5 minutes
  - Eye Exposure: Flush with eyewash for 15 minutes

Seek Medical Assistance
For SERIOUS Injury or Exposures
- If you are seriously injured, incapacitated, or need onsite medical assistance, call 911 and request an ambulance
- Provide information: lab location, hazardous material involved, and extent of exposure or injury

For MINOR Injury or Exposures
- As soon as possible, go to: White Plains Emergency Room (914-681-1155), 41 East Post Rd.
- Bring the Safety Data Sheet(s) for all contaminating agents when obtaining medical assistance for a chemical exposure

Report
- Notify Burke Security (914-597-2318) of ambulance request: specify location and instruct security to meet ambulance at Research Labs parking lot to grant building access
- Notify your supervisor and contact EHS (646-962-7233)
- Fill out an Accident Report Form and submit to BMRI Human Resources

Spill Clean-up and Response

If the spill DOES NOT involve an injury or a fire/health hazard:

Alert/Evacuate
- Immediately alert area occupants and evacuate the area. Close all doors leading to affected area and do not re-enter. Restrict access to area.

Report
- Notify your supervisor and alert EHS (646-962-7233) of the spill
- Provide Information: spill location, name of hazardous material involved, amount spilled, and the extent of exposure or injury

Small Quantity (<1 gallon) spills can be cleaned up by lab staff, if you understand the hazards, have appropriate personal protective equipment, and are trained in spill clean-up procedures.