Burke Exposure & Spill Response Guide

Exposure and Injury Responses

Get Help

For emergencies, seek assistance from a nearby coworker!

First Aid and Decontamination

Remove ALL contaminated clothing, jewelry, shoes

"I work for Burke Medical Research Institute: 785 Mamaroneck Ave.

I need an ambulance in Building 2, Research

Institute, Floor #, Room #."

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- 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.



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