



General Biohazard Spill Response



Procedure

1. Stop, notify others and isolate the area immediately!
2. Put on appropriate PPE (lab coat, gloves, eye and face protection)
3. Remove glass/lumps with forceps or scoop, if applicable, and place into a rigid, puncture-resistant, biohazard sharps container
4. Place paper towels soaked in bleach directly on the spill and let soak for 20 minutes
5. Wipe up area from the outside in and discard towels in biohazard waste container
6. Continue wiping area with paper towels soaked in bleach until the spill area is completely cleaned
7. Discard all materials in biohazard waste container
8. Remove PPE and wash hands thoroughly

**FOR SPILLS IN A CENTRIFUGE:

1. Leave lid closed and allow aerosols to settle for at least 1 hour
2. Ensure centrifuge is off and affix a sign to indicate that a spill has taken place
3. Move to a BSC if possible, then follow steps 2-8 stated above