ACCIDENT WITH
A LABORATORY ANIMAL

STRAIGHT AWAY

If you get bitten, scratched, stung
- Wash immediately with a liquid neutral soap for three minutes.
- Carefully rinse.
- Disinfect for at least 15 minutes with:
  - stabilized Dakin’s solution,
  - or 70° ethanol.

Spraying of biological fluids

Sprayed onto the skin
- Wash immediately in running water or use the emergency shower with the diffuse jet for at least 15 minutes.

Sprayed into the eye
- Wash immediately in running water for at least 15 minutes, pulling the eyelids widely apart with the head tilted, affected eye down (get help from a colleague).
- Contact lenses will get washed out but if not, do not try to take them out.
- Do not use eye drops or any type of ocular solution.
- See an ophthalmologist as soon as possible.

FOLLOWING DAYS

- Go to a doctor’s surgery, the Emergency Department or the workplace’s medical unit within 24 hours.
- Fill out an "Accident in the Workplace" form.
- Notify the Prevention Assistant and report the incident or accident in the Health & Safety Log.
- Report the incident or accident to the Prevention Adviser.
- Go to see the Prevention Physician and report any symptom that you notice in the days following the incident or accident.

PREVENTION

- Use specific preventive gestures and/or handle animals using protective materials (gloves, contention boxes, etc.).