What to do

ACCIDENT WITH BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL

STRAIGHT AWAY

Cuts and pricks
- **Wash immediately** with a liquid neutral soap for at least three minutes.
- **Carefully rinse.**
- **Disinfect** for at least 15 minutes with:
  - stabilized Dakin’s solution,
  - or 70° ethanol.
- **Go to see the appointed doctor about the risk of HIV and viral hepatitis within two hours** (contact details given on the site’s sheet on What to do in the event of accidental exposure to blood).

Sprayed onto the skin
- **Wash immediately** in running water or use the emergency shower with the diffuse jet for at least 15mn.
- **Go to see the appointed doctor about the risk of HIV and viral hepatitis within two hours** (contact details given on the site’s sheet on What to do in the event of accidental exposure to blood).

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.
- **Go to see the appointed doctor about the risk of HIV and viral hepatitis within two hours** (contact details given on the site’s sheet on What to do in the event of accidental exposure to blood).
- **See an ophthalmologist as soon as possible.**

FOLLOWING DAYS

- **Go to see the Prevention Physician** within 24 hours for a risk assessment and report any symptom that you notice in the days following the incident or accident.
- **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.

PREVENTION

- **Handle** biological products in a Class II biosafety cabinet.
- **Wear safety goggles** with side bars, suitable gloves and a buttoned up coat.