Biological Spill Clean-up Materials

- Gloves (latex or nitrile) & lab coat
- Concentrated household bleach
- Spray bottle for making fresh 10% bleach solution
- Absorbent materials (paper towels, etc.)
- Biohazard bags for collecting clean-up materials
- If spill contains sharps – forceps/dust pan & sharps container
- Additional personal protective equipment for larger volume spills (use as needed):
  - mask and eye protection if splash or droplets may be generated
  - booties (shoe covers) if risk of contaminating shoes
- Printed copy of Biological Spill Procedures

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1) Alert people in immediate area
2) Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (gloves, lab coat, etc.)
3) Remove sharps with forceps, dust pan or other mechanical device
   - Place sharps in biohazard sharps container
4) Cover spill with absorbent material (i.e. paper towels)
5) Carefully pour fresh 10% bleach solution around edges and then work inward (avoid splashing)
6) Allow 20 minute disinfectant contact time
7) Use absorbent material to wipe up spill
8) Place all clean-up materials in a biohazard bag for disposal
9) Clean area again with fresh absorbent and disinfectant
10) Remove gloves & other PPE and thoroughly wash hands

Personnel Contamination Procedures

- Rinse the exposed area with water immediately
- Report incident to your supervisor as soon as possible, but do not delay treatment
- Seek medical attention as soon as possible following the incident
- Complete a USC Incident Report once treatment is initiated