

## Accidents Involving Biohazardous and/or Recombinant or Synthetic Nucleic Acids Materials

## **IMMEDIATE RESPONSE**

SPILLS – Inside a Centrifuge

- 1. The centrifuge should be closed as soon as a spill is noticed.
- 2. Notify others in the lab not to use the centrifuge (include signage).
- **3.** Allow aerosols to settle for at least 30 minutes (ensure centrifuge is OFF).
- **4.** If possible, move the centrifuge or at least the rotors and buckets to a BSC.
- Soak disposable towels in approved disinfectant and wipe down centrifuge or rotors and buckets.
- **6.** Thoroughly wipe down the inside of centrifuge and all parts including the lid with disposable towels soaked in disinfectant.
- **7**. Rinse both rotors and inside of the centrifuge with 70% ethanol.
- **8.** Discard cleanup material into biohazard bag for disposal.



