OPA or Glutaraldehyde Minor Spill (Less than 1 Gallon) Clean Up Procedures for Trained Staff

Glute–Out is a glycine-based powder neutralizer that deactivates OPA and glutaraldehyde.

1. Notify co-workers of spill and restrict access to affected area during clean up.

2. Retrieve OPA/Glutaraldehyde Spill Kit (PCI Medical AC-SP1) that includes Glute-Out neutralizer, personal protective equipment, absorbent pads and waste disposal bag. Check expiration date of Glute-Out and don’t use if expired.

3. Wear personal protective equipment: hair covering, chemical splash goggles, gown, nitrile gloves, and shoe covers.

4. Sprinkle Glute-Out liberally over the spill (following instructions on Glute-Out bottle). Wait about 5 minutes for neutralization, occurring when solution changes color:
   - Yellow Orange to Green Brown (OPA)
   - Yellow Orange to Red Orange (glutaraldehyde)

5. Place absorbent pads over the spill. Use pads to pick up spilled material.

6. Place waste material in a waste disposal bag and dispose of in regular trash. Keep goggles for reuse if possible.

7. Notify EH&S (4-6783) about spill: location, date, quantity spilled, and cause of spill.

8. Reorder replacement spill kit through Lawson (#41899).

For a major spill or if you need assistance:

In University Hospital: Call University Police, 911

In Hospital Satellite Facilities: Call Local Fire Department

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