



Mercury Spill Procedure for Undergraduate Students

Mercury Vapors can be very hazardous to human health. In the event of a broken or cracked mercury-filled instrument, please adhere to following procedure:

1) Report any spill or broken lamp to lab supervisor or teaching assistant (TA) immediately; if no one is available, contact Public Safety at (9-1-1) or (973-596-3111).

NJIT EHS can also be contacted at (973-596-3059).

When placing a call to Public Safety or NJIT EHS, provide the operator with:

- a) Your name and phone extension.
- b) Exact location of spill (building and room number).
- c) Name of material spilled.
- d) Quantity of material spilled.
- e) Information on injuries to personnel or students

2) Evacuate all personnel and students from spill area. If spill is near exit or corridor, please be sure to evacuate all areas affected by spill.

3) Ventilate room area as much as possible by opening lab doors and windows.

4.) After spill clean-up is complete, please consult with you lab supervisor or TA prior to reentering the spill area.

5.) All incidents must be formally reported. Please report all spills, injuries, and laboratory emergencies to Public Safety (973-596-3111) and EHS (973-596-3059) to a draft an incident report on file.