



## Risk Assessment Form

PERSONS AT RISK : ( X ) Employees ( ) Contractors ( ) Public ( ) Visitors ( ) Others		Reference No: BIO RA Human Samples		
Risk: (H) High (M) Medium (L) Low (O) No Risk.		Environment: Biorepository		
TASK or ACTIVITY: Handling Biological samples		INITIAL RISK RATING		FINAL RISK RATING
SIGNIFICANT HAZARD	RISK	INITIAL RISK RATING	EXISTING CONTROL/PROPOSED CONTROL MEASURES	FINAL RISK RATING
Stab wound	infection from Hepatitis / HIV and other infectious agents	M	All users to be trained in handling biological samples	L
Ingestion			All users to be vaccinated against Hep B and shown to have adequate antibody levels before handling human samples	
Inhalation			Unpowdered nitrile gloves, lab coats and eye protection to be worn at all times	
			Samples from high risk areas, populations and those known to be Hepatitis/HIV positive to be handled in class I cabinet	
			Wounds to be covered with waterproof dressing	
			Work to be carried out on non-porous surface and swabbed down with virusolve/alcohol or similar when work completed at end of each day	
			SOPs on handling human samples to be followed	
			Disposal of waste in orange bags/burn bins	
			Aerosols to be kept to a minimum	
			Disposables should be used as much as possible. Any glassware and other equipment awaiting proper cleaning and sterilization, must be stored carefully.	
			Be familiar with any COSHH forms appropriate for the procedure	
Comments:			Overall Risk:	L
Additional References, Tasks etc		Training records to be maintained, Hep B vaccination and antibody records to be held by Occupational Health		
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