



SL Laboratory Safety

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Overview

Need for lab safety
Resin issues affecting safe
handling
Lab chemical exposure
opportunities
Shop practices



Hasbro RP Lab-Speed Kills!

in 1999:

12,900+ parts

16800+ laser hours

Turn-time: less than 4 days

Safe Lab Practices are Habit



Need for SL Lab Safety

Physical Chemical Hazards

Skin

Eye

Respiratory

Sharp Instruments



SL Resin Advances

Resin Type	Viscosity	Surface Tension
Acrylate	High	Low
Vinyl Ether	Low	Low
Epoxy	Low	High

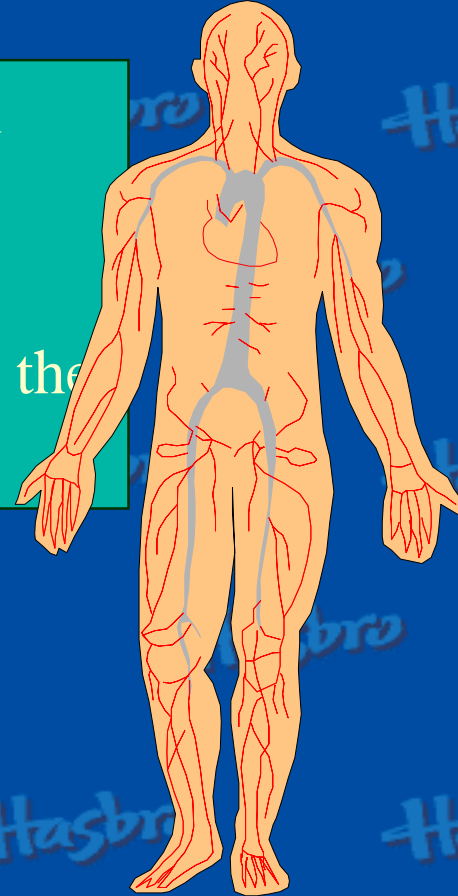


Chemical Sensitization

Exposure to Foreign Material

Body recognizes material as foreign

Histamines produced to flush the foreign material



Successful Lab Safety Plan

Recognize need

Commitment to act

Plan of action

Reinforcement/follow-up

Habits develop in 21 days



Physical Hazards-Resins

Skin, Eye, Respiratory Risks

Filling SLA

Removing Platforms

QuickCast Pattern Post-Processing

Separate “wet” from “dry”



Physical Hazards-Solvents

Dermal

Solvents accelerate dermal permeation

Transport resin

Remove natural skin oils

Respiratory

Eye Protection

avoid contact lens use

full face shields recommended



Skin Protection

Barrier Creams

Nitrile Gloves

Oversleeves, aprons, coveralls

Face shields

Glove Boxes



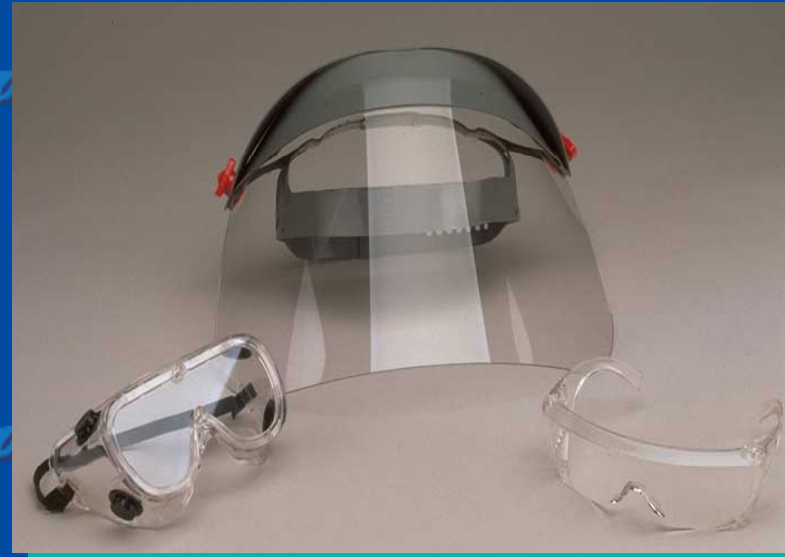
Eye Protection

Goggles

Safety Glasses

Full-Face Shields

UV-filtering Glasses



Skin Protection for Sensitized Individuals-Video Tape

Solvent-Resistant Barrier Cream

Nitrile Glove

Oversleeve

Nitrile Glove

Remove soiled gloves by grasping palm
(NOT CUFF), rolling them inside-out.



After the Fact

See a doctor!

Skin Lotions/ointments

Prescription Antihistamines

Re-examine shop practices



Physical Hazards-Sharps

Sharps Include:

- X-acto Blades
- Single-edge razors
- Surgical scalpels



Physical Hazards-Sharps

Proper technique

- Avoid skin and PPE cuts
- Avoid atomizing resin
- Cleanly remove supports

Sharps Disposal



Reducing Chemical Exposure

Facilities/Equipment

Proper Work Habits

Shop Practices

Personal Hygiene

Area Access

CAUTION

**WEAR EYE PROTECTION
RUBBER GLOVES AND
APRONS WHEN HANDLING
CHEMICALS**



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Shop Practices/Policies

Hygiene Practices

- Training in equipment use
- Wash with COLD water
- Use mild soap followed by skin lotion
- Launder lab coats regularly!



Shop Practices/Policies

Shop Policies

- Limit lab access to Authorized Personnel
- Wash-down procedures
- NO food or beverages in process areas
- Consult Safety and Industrial Hygiene Experts



Personal Protective Equipment

Always inspect PPE for
soil/rupture

Wash equipment thoroughly (if
practical) between use

When in doubt, throw it out!



Respiratory Protection

Proper Facility HVAC

Ventilation

Filtration

Personal Protection

Organic Vapor Respirator

Particulate Dust Mask



Physical Hazard-Static Electricity

Bead Blast Cabinets

- Grounding Straps to earth ground
- Operator arm strap to earth ground
- Discharge strip inside cabinet



Summary

What makes lab safety work?

Awareness

Desire

Discipline

Follow-up

Before Use *



After Use *



* Your results may vary. Batteries not included. Some assembly required. Adult Supervision recommended. Made from 10% post-consumer paper products. Void where prohibited.



Conclusion

Don't be a hero, use PPE.

Sensitized personnel can work safely and comfortably.

Success means Discipline.

Lab Safety Manual, video, and MS PowerPoint Presentation available for copy, free of charge.



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