## Autoclave Sterilization Protocol

Examples: cultures, supernatants, media.

- 1) Autoclave liquid biological waste using a wet cycle for a minimum of 121°C for 25 minutes.
- 2) When autoclave cycle is complete, confirm that the autoclave cycle length and time has been reached by reviewing the autoclave chart.
- 3) Remove waste from autoclave and pour down the sink.

## Notes:

- Do not let waste collect. Treat and dispose frequently and/or daily.
- No solidifying or coagulating material can be poured down the sink. These types of materials must be left to solidify and then be disposed of in the solid yellow 20 litre biohazard waste pails.
- If cultures have been treated with toxic chemicals or hormones, contact OHSE <a href="mailto:ohs@uvic.ca">ohs@uvic.ca</a>, as a different disposal option will be required other than safe sink disposal.