Histopathology Emergency Evacuation Protocol  
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In the case of a building emergency, the CVM emergency announcement system will sound an alarm and then declare the nature of the emergency. If evacuation from the Histopathology Laboratory (room 1671) is necessary, the following protocol is recommended for staff in the lab. Conditions encountered during evacuation may dictate common sense changes to this recommended protocol. Use your judgment as to the safest evacuation route.

1. Senior staff in Histopathology will account for visitors in the lab and assist them in leaving the building.

2. Senior staff will account for all other staff in the lab, ensure that they are evacuating, turn off all lights and close doors.

3. Histopathology staff should exit using Stair #9 directly outside the north door of the histopathology lab, and then exit the building. Staff should proceed west, down the sidewalk, to the rally point. See map.

4. The rally point is the grass adjacent to the junction of the end of the main sidewalk and the road. The rally point may be moved if deemed necessary to allow emergency personnel access to the building.

5. The alternate rally point for severe weather warnings is the hallway north of the histopathology lab, room 1671.

6. Staff should wait for the “all clear” signal before reentering the building.

CVM Alarm Tones and Meanings

FIRE ALERT Siren

CHEMICAL SPILL Modulating Siren

SEVERE WEATHER Siren
Note: Leaving the building during a severe weather warning is not recommended. Listen to the announcement after the siren and use your judgment.

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