

## **Using Needles and Syringes**

- 1.** Using needles and syringes properly is important to avoid getting accidentally stuck by the needle or exposed to chemicals.
- 2.** Be careful taking the cap off the needle. Most people are stuck by needles at this point. Try to gently bend the needle at the base to break the seal. If you accidentally poke yourself with a needle, inform your TA immediately.
- 3.** If the plunger sticks at all, discard the syringe and needle immediately (See Waste Disposal).