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Bio-Chemical Warfare - Reference Points for Information Compiled by People In Aid

As the topic of chemical warfare is increasingly relevant, People In Aid has collated a list, from a variety of sources, of references to available resources and information.

GeorgeTown University:

Summary: Roundtable on Humanitarian Action in Iraq. From a meeting held on February 3, 2003

<http://www.georgetown.edu/sfs/programs/isim/IraqRoundtableSummary.pdf>

Center for Economic & Social Rights:

Report on "the human costs of war in iraq" (March, 2003; New York)

www.cesr.org/iraq/docs/humancosts.pdf

World Health Organization:

"Preparedness for the deliberate use of biological agents – A rational approach to the unthinkable"

http://www.who.int/emc/pdfs/WHA_terrorismW.pdf

- * p. 6: preparedness plans
- * p. 16 Web sites for further information

"Public health response to biological and chemical weapons" 2nd edition

http://www.who.int/emc/pdfs/BIOWEAPONS_exec_sum2.pdf

- * p. 3 Some working definitions
- * p. 21 Dissemination of Biological and Chemical agents
- * p. 22. Routes of exposure
- * p. 25 Characteristics of Chemical Agents
- * p. 26 Consequences of Using Biological or Chemical Weapons
- * p. 32 Risk Management
- * p. 39 Differentiation of biological and chemical attack
- * p. 50 Problems related to protection
- * p. 71 Nongovernmental Organizations

Hazards of suspected Uranium weapons in the proposed war on Iraq (summary)

<http://www.eoslifework.co.uk/u23.htm>

Guidelines on intentional use of biological/chemical weapons

http://www.who.int/emc/deliberate_epi.html

Center for Disaster & Humanitarian Assistance Medicine (USUHS):
http://www.usuhs.mil/cbw/new_page_1.htm

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
<http://www.cdc.gov/programs/bio.htm>

Pan American Health Organisation
“Disasters: Preparedness and Mitigation in the Americas”
<http://www.paho.org/english/ped/newsletter.htm>

Bio terrorism in Latin America and the Caribbean
<http://www.Paho.org/English/PED/Bioterrorism.htm>

Federal Emergency Management Agency - <http://www.Fema.gov>
“Chemical & Biological Agent Incident Response & Decision Process for
Civilian & Public Sector Facilities” Ellen Raber et al., Risk Analysis 22/2, 2002
<http://www.fema.gov/rrr/conplan/conpln3b.shtm>

Merlin - <http://www.Merlin.org.uk>
Merlin “Hope for the best, Prepare for the worst – How humanitarian
organisations can organise to respond to weapons of mass destruction”
[http://merlin2.org/Hope for the best, prepare for the worst - January 2003.pdf](http://merlin2.org/Hope_for_the_best,_prepare_for_the_worst_-_January_2003.pdf)

Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons
<http://www.opcw.org/>

Reliefweb: Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Information
Resources
<http://www.reliefweb.int/ochaunep/nbc.htm>

Alertnet
NGO's confront fear of biochemical attack
<http://www.alertnet.org/thefacts/reliefresources/577059?version=1>

Aidworkers Forum - ongoing discussion page at:
<http://forum.aidworkers.net/messages/142/352.html>

Humanitarian Response to the Use of Weapons of Mass Destruction
The Humanitarian Times, November 20, 2002,
an invited Review by Charles Kelly
<http://www.aidworkers.net/docs/WMD.pdf>

Available in the People In Aid Resources Centre: (members only)
Please go to resource centre to request copies.

Risk Assessment for International Aid Work...subject to chemical attack	
Document type: Report	Date: January 2003
Subject(s): Bio chemical warfare	Topic: Health & Safety and Security: International
Author: Karen Howell	

Bio Terrorism Preparedness and Response

Document type: Web pages	Date: Undated
Subject(s): Anthrax, biological diseases, chemical agents, anthrax fact sheet, biological warfare, preparedness, response, chemical warfare	Topic: Health & Safety and Security: International
Author: unknown	Publisher: U.S. Department of State
Chemical and Biological Warfare	
Document type: Web pages	Date: Undated
Subject(s): Chemical weapons, biological weapons, chemical warfare, protection from attack, detection, decontamination, treatment, international agreements, protocols, conventions, weapons disposal, chemical agents, developments, history,	Topic: Health & Safety and Security: International
Author: Unknown	
Weekly Defence Monitor	
Document type: Web pages	Date: February 1998
Subject(s): Anthrax, vaccination, Biological weapons, chemical war. Safety of U.S troops.	Topic: Health & Safety and Security: International
Author: various	
Dangers of Depleted Uranium.	
Document type: Newsletter	Date: January 2001
Subject(s): Uranium, Depleted uranium, DU campaign, facts about uranium, misconceptions, response, chemical, toxicity, radioactive metals, precautions, Balkans	Topic: Health & Safety and Security: International
Author: Various	Publisher: CADU
The Public Health Response to Biological and Chemical Terrorism. Interim Planning Guidance for State Public Health Officials.	
Document type: Document	Date: July 2001
Subject(s): Public health, biological weapons, terrorism, chemical weapons, biological terrorism, preparedness, surveillance, epidemiologic investigation, biological threat, management, response, recovery, bioterrorism, planning	Topic: Health & Safety and Security: International
Author: U.S Department of Health and Human Services	Publisher: U.S Department of Health and Human Services