

If you detect or suspect live fauna in a sample:

1. Immediately seal the box or bag(s)
2. Double bag the sample and seal securely
3. Disinfect your work area with the approved biocide spray
4. Inform Prof. Morrison or Post-Doc in lab
5. You will need to decide if the sample is still useful and if the treatment will affect it
6. If the sample is too badly damaged to be useful or cannot be frozen then it should be incinerated
7. If the sample is still of value, then it should be immediately placed in the -40°C/-40°F freezer for at least 7 days (this may damage flotation samples!!!)
8. If you have multiple samples from the same site these should also be checked and treated if necessary