5 Safety Tips for Centrifuges



BALANCE YOUR TUBES

Balance centrifuge tubes by position and mass. Tubes of the same mass should be 180° opposite each other in the rotor.

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USE CORRECT ROTOR

Ensure that the right rotor is securely placed into the centrifuge. Use the correct size and shape tubes for the rotor or insert.



OBSERVE AND LISTEN

When centrifuge starts, observe it to verify that it reaches the desired speed and works properly. If it shakes, moves or makes noises, turn it off and unplug the power immediately.



LUBRICATE PARTS

Make sure that parts such as O-rings, buckets and drive shafts are lubricated to prevent leaks and malfunctions. Evenly lubricate the parts periodically using manufacturer's suggested lubricant.



KEEP IT CLEAN

After each use, clean the inside of the centrifuge, rotor chamber and parts with a soft, moist cloth and mild cleaning solution such as 70% alcohol. Wait until it is completely dry before closing the lid.



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