

Table 4.16.1: Lyssavirus exposure categories, to be used in conjunction with Figure 4.16.1 or 4.16.2 to determine appropriate post-exposure prophylaxis

Type of exposure	Description
Category I	Touching or feeding animals, licks on intact skin, as well as exposure to blood, urine or faeces or to an animal that has been dead for more than 4 hours
Category II	Nibbling of uncovered skin, minor scratches or abrasions without bleeding
Category III	Single or multiple transdermal bites or scratches, contamination of mucous membrane with saliva from licks, licks on broken skin

Source: Modified from WHO 2010²⁷