Glass Pipettes Cleaning Protocol

1. Pipettes are taken out of cylindrical holders and placed into an autoclave container to soak for 30 minutes. The autoclave container should contain distilled water with 1 capful of concentrated bleach.
2. Clean the pipette cylinders by refreshing the water/bleach (put in 1/3 full of distilled water combined with a capful of concentrated bleach).
3. Empty water/bleach mixture from the autoclave container by tilting. Rinse pipettes with distilled water and let soak in distilled water for 10 minutes to ensure there is no bleach residue.
4. Repeat step 3 and rinse for a total of 5 times with distilled water.
5. Empty water/bleach mixture from the autoclave container and pipettes by tilting. After being rinsed pipettes are left to dry in the oven located in 758 WIDB **overnight**. Make sure no there are no plastic pipettes placed in the oven. Plastic pipettes are disposable and should go in the broken glass bucket.
6. After pipettes are dried, they should be separated by volume and placed in aluminum canisters. Label canisters with appropriate volume size and autoclave tape.
7. Pipettes are autoclaved in the dry cycle for 30 minutes of heating and 30 minutes of cooling. (**Cycle 4**)