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Dear Mr. Mordt:

If an individual is burned with hot Therminol he should be treated just as a thermal burn by whichever modality the attending physician might prefer. As you know, there are all sorts of ways of treating burns.

The only unique problem is the removal of the Therminol from the skin. This should be removed with copious amounts of water, using soap or a detergent, or even a waterless hand cleaner. What we would do in a case like you describe would be to put the man under a shower, lather him real well with soap, and then treat him with ice and eventually Vaseline gauze. There is no special treatment for the burn per se. As I said, the only peculiar aspect is the removal of the material.

I don't see why a small amount of the material left on the skin would cause a complication except as it was a cause of prolonging the thermal effect. Hot oils, of course, are hotter and burn worse than hot water.

If your doctor has any questions, please have him call me.

Sincerely,

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