



# Standard Investigation Report

## Incident ID: 130030 (Supervisor Report)

### Incident Information

| Incident Details, Description and Sequence of Events   |  |  |
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| <b>Incident Title:</b><br>Minor puncture injury with fine forceps  |  |  |
| <b>Date:</b><br>Oct 03, 2022   | <b>Time:</b><br>12:50 PM                       | <b>Building:</b><br>BIO - Biological Sciences Building |
| <b>Description of Incident Location (please do not include personal information such as names, gender pronouns and medical information):</b><br>Rm 4322 - research lab in Biological Sciences Bldg.  |  |  |
| <b>Main Body Part Injured:</b><br>Arm  | <b>Side of main body part injured:</b><br>Left | <b>Accident Type:</b><br>Puncture / Needle Stick       |
| <b>Injury Type:</b><br>Puncture Wound (needles, animal bites, glass cut)   | <b>Serious injury/incident?:</b><br>No         |  |
| <b>Describe fully what happened before, during, and after the incident (please do not include personal information such as names, gender pronouns and medical information):</b><br>A graduate student and undergraduate were preparing equipment and supplies to perform a procedure and the undergraduate accidentally backed into a pair of fine forceps being held by the graduate student. The forceps slightly penetrated the undergraduates arm. The wound was superficial (barely penetrated the skin). First aid was applied on scene and was reported to the principal investigator and the head of the departmental safety committee |  |  |

### Accident Investigation

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| <b>Task Related Causes</b>                |
| No "Task" Causes                          |
| <b>Environment Related Causes</b>         |
| No "Environment" causes                   |
| <b>Equipment Related Causes</b>           |
| No "Equipment" causes                     |
| <b>Organizational Related Root Causes</b> |
| No "Organizational" related causes        |



**Human Related Root Causes**

**Personal distraction**

**Root cause**

**Incorporating the above factors, determine and describe the root cause of the incident or accident:**  
 This was a minor accident due to inattention.

**Persons who carried out or participated in the investigation**

**Employer representative name:**  
 Patricia Schulte

**Job title:**  
 professor

**Worker Representative Name:**  
 Patrick Tamkee

**Job title:**  
 Zoology Safety Committee

**Corrective Actions**

**Corrective Action to prevent recurrence of similar incidents (1)**

**Corrective Action Identified:**  
 Reminder to always be aware of your surroundings

**Assigned to (name):** Tessa Blanchard      **Job title:** Researcher

**Final Actions Taken:**  
 Had discussion with researchers describing the importance of being alert and aware of your surroundings while working in the lab.

**Date to be Completed:**      **Date Completed:** 2022-10-14

**JOHSC/LST Additional Action to prevent recurrence of similar incidents (1)**

**Item:**  
 Follow up with supervisor on what was done for the corrective action and if there are other corrective actions that could be done which may have prevented the incident i.e. prepare lab area prior to getting busy or even have protective covering over sharp tools or transport sharp tools in box?

**JOHSC/LST Member Assigned (Name):** Patrick Tamkee      **JOHSC or LST Membership (JOHS Committee or Local Safety Team you are following from):** Zoology LST

**Final Actions Taken:**  
 Email sent to Trish offering the suggestions listed above.

**Date to be Completed:**      **Date Completed:**



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