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Standard Investigation Report

Incident ID: 134524 (Supervisor Report)

Incident Information

Incident Details, Description and Sequence of Events Incident Title: scalpel blade cut to index finger				
				Date: Jun 03, 2024
Description of Incident Location (please do not include personal information such as names, gender pronouns and medical information): In wet lab room 1305, south wing Biological Sciences building.				
Main Body Part Injured: Hand	Side of main body part injured: Left	Side of secondary body part injured: Left		
Accident Type: Puncture / Needle Stick	Injury Type: Puncture Wound (needles, animal bites, glass cut)	Serious injury/incident?: No		

Describe fully what happened before, during, and after the incident (please do not include personal information such as names, gender pronouns and medical information):

The day before researchers were using the room 1305 and left the room messy with equipment lying around. The following day, the affected individual decided to go in and clean the mess and cut them self on what was thought to be a piece of garbage. This piece of garbage was a scalpel blade wrapper with the blade still in it. After the incident, the impacted person cleaned the wound and stopped the bleeding, then reported the accident to the facility manager.

Accident Investigation

Task Related Causes

No "Task" Causes

Environment Related Causes

No "Environment" causes

Equipment Related Causes

No "Equipment" causes

Organizational Related Root Causes



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Other (specify below)

Other organizational related causes:

Previous reseaers who used the room left room messy

Human Related Root Causes

Other (specify below)

Other human related causes:

Worker working really fast not thinking too much about need for PPE

Root cause

Incorporating the above factors, determine and describe the root cause of the incident or accident:

The root cause would be the researchers leaving a mess in the room and leaving hazardous materials out in the open.

Persons who carried out or participated in the investigation Employer representative name: Patrick Tamkee Job title: Aquatics facility manager Worker Representative Name: Gigi lau Job title: Biology program manager

Corrective Actions

Corrective Action to prevent recurrence of similar incidents (1)

Corrective Action Identified:

Send out a facility wide email to remind all lab users to make sure that all hazardous wastes must be addressed right away, properly disposed of, and not left out so that others may come into contact with it.

Assigned to (name): Job title:

Patrick Tamkee Aquatics facility manager

Final Actions Taken:

Email was sent out to whole facility as well as the specific lab that used the room who had left out the hazardous wastes.

Date to be Completed: Date Completed:

2024-06-03 2024-06-03

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

Item:

This will be discussed at the next Zoology LST meeting.

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JOHSC/LST Member Assigned (Name): Gigi Lau	JOHSC or LST Membership (JOHS Committee or Local Safety Team you are following from): Zoology LST		
Final Actions Taken: LST agreed the corrective actions was sufficient.			
Date to be Completed: 2024-06-04	Date Completed: 2024-06-04		