

Accident/Incident Reports Nov 06-May 07

During the last 6 months, within the College of Life Sciences, the following accidents/incidents have been reported:

- ☛ 3 Minor head injuries: (bumps resulting in bruising).
- ☛ 3 Faints
- ☛ 1 Cut
- ☛ 1 Minor fall
- ☛ 3 Needlestick injuries
- ☛ 2 Reaction to nitrile gloves
- ☛ 1 Allergic reaction
- ☛ 3 eye splashes, all referred to Ninewells A&E. All could have been avoided if victims had been wearing eye protection.
- ☛ 2 separate incidents where full Winchester bottles broke. Both spillages were contained using the absorbent mats from emergency spillage trolleys.
- ☛ 1 “Solvent” type smell permeating a wide area of MSI/WTB. Caused by contractor using sealant on roof adjacent to air-intake. No roof-work permit had been obtained.
- ☛ 2 Incidents involving microwave ovens. 1 a potential fire risk, the other a minor explosion.
- ☛ 1 Domestic vacuum flask containing samples in dry ice, brought in by a visiting scientist, exploded when opened. No injuries but explosion shocked neighbouring workers.