

H&S Comments & Suggestions 2009

1. You should post pictures of centrifuge accidents above the centrifuges to remind people how much damage can be caused by careless use.
2. The new CL3 suite on WTB1 has caused an increase in traffic on the south side of the floor. Something must be done before there is an accident.
3. Is it really a good idea to have the main passage from one building to another going right through the middle of a working lab?
4. Admin and other non-lab staff who travel through the labs need lab safety training (no running; high heels are not appropriate footwear).
5. I am concerned about people drinking alcohol in the meeting rooms then returning to work in the lab.
6. Ban the use of ipods in the lab; make lab staff wear their lab coats and correct footwear, i.e. no sandals.
7. Please supply proper bottle carriers for people collecting media from the Media Kitchen.
8. If you fall off the Cryodepository tank steps and are unable to reach the phone, what measures are in place to ensure you are not left undiscovered in the basement for an extended period of time?
9. People should not be allowed to eat meals in the offices.
10. It would be good to have an absorbent mat in front of the ice machine to absorb spills.
11. Lab Managers should carry out risk assessments for pregnant women in their area.
12. RPS is not given enough authority to do their job properly.
13. Lab Manager would like to be given the authority to tell lab staff to wear their lab coats.
14. Keypad lock on the WTB LN2 dispensing room would make the facility more secure.
15. Lab staff should not hang their outdoor jackets on top of lab coats.
16. Who will help me lift heavy equipment? Could some individuals be trained in heavy lifting?
17. I'm concerned about staff struggling to lift heavy equipment.
18. How can we safely store scalpels for reuse?
19. Can we have blinds in the office? I cannot see my computer screen because of the sunlight shining onto it.
20. I would like information about prescription safety glasses.
21. It is very worrying to see Bunsen burners left on and unattended for prolonged periods, especially outwith normal working hours when fewer people are in the lab.
22. Bunsen burner tubing often becomes brittle and doesn't fit so well. Is there an alternative kind of tubing? Could tubing be checked regularly?
23. Proper procedure for disposal of silica waste is not being adhered to.
24. Please maintain the safety showers.
25. Could all doors be kept open on magnetic hold-backs to prevent stores staff having to struggle to keep the doors open while pulling trolleys through with one hand?
26. The trolley by the door on the south side of JBC M makes it difficult for Stores staff to get their trolleys into the lab.
27. Dry ice container at the entrance to the SCILLS lab makes it difficult for Stores staff to get their trolleys into the lab.
28. Bins and open cupboards and drawers make it difficult for Stores staff to get their trolleys through the labs.
29. Yellow bins on the north side of JBC 3 make it difficult for Stores staff to get their trolleys through the labs.
30. DSTT lab is too cluttered to allow easy passage of Stores trolleys through the labs.
31. There should be a board at Reception listing all First Aiders and indicating who is on the premises and who is not.
32. I'm concerned about the fumes generated when conc acid is used for pH-ing.
33. Please fix the dripping tap on the main lab sink.
34. Please buy smaller rolls of toilet paper as the larger ones don't turn easily in the holders.
35. Could everyone be issued with free earplugs when noisy works are going on near by.