May 2011 to April 2012



Accidents/Incidents/Near Misses

Туре	Occurrences	Comments
Needlestick	6	no complications
Contamination of eyes	4	3 with chemicals; 1 with bacteria; all 4 could have been avoided if safety specs had been worn
Centrifuge related	4	no injury, but equipment damage
Resulting in visit to A&E	4	3 due to eye contamination; 1 due to head injury
Burn	3	from UV, LN2, heating mantle
Gas leak in lab	2	due to Bunsen being extinguished and gas tap left on
Exploding culture vessel	2	due to 5 litre Duran used for bacterial culture over pressurising; glass possibly weakened
Glove allergy	2	both to nitrile
Repeat respiratory irritation	1	possibly due to chemical exposure occurring when fume hood not used in accordance with SOP
LN2 dispensing vessel related	1	near miss; could have resulted in fatality

Fire Alarm Activations

Cause	Occurrences
Contractors carrying out building work	3
Detector head fault	2
Burned toast	2
Accidental break-glass activation	1
Redcare isolation failure	1
Hair straighteners	1
Plastic beaker on hotplate	1
Tape dispenser on hotplate	1
Lunch burned in microwave	1

Security Incidents

Potential intruder on Mezzanine floor	on 13/03/2012
Laptop stolen from WTB seminar room	between 15th March and 24th April 2012

Note:

An animal rights activist was arrested in a life sciences lab in Warwick in April 2012. He was posing as a scientist and trying to get information on animal unit location and staff.

In April/May 2012, thus far, 79 freedom of information requests have been submitted to Universities in the UK, including Dundee, by an animal rights activist enquiring about the use of animals in research. CLS is named in the formal response from UoD.