



RECENT LAB COAT RELATED INJURIES

Two researchers were injured recently in separate incidents. In both cases they were not wearing the appropriate PPE while working in the lab. **Chemical Exposure:** A researcher was preparing chemicals for disposal when the lid to a chemical powder container opened. The contents of the chemical container spread onto the researcher's face and arms causing redness and irritation to the throat. The researcher was not wearing a lab coat. **Glass Cut:** A glass column in a fume hood ruptured during use. A glass shard of the column struck the worker in the arm causing a gash. The worker was not wearing a lab coat at the time. Lab coats and proper PPE must be worn at all times when in a laboratory. Always contact EHS Lab Safety in the event of a lab-related injury or near-miss.



INCIDENT DATABASE

Introducing the new Incident Investigation Database! This system is used by students, employees, researchers, contractors, and visitors to notify safety professionals of injuries, illnesses, property damage, spills, and near misses on campus. Upon notification, we will follow up on the incident to find ways of preventing similar occurrences. Help make safety a priority at UT Austin by notifying us of hazards you see. Incidents may be reported anonymously. See the EHS website or the QR code at the bottom of this page.

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EHS is expecting to adopt new waste management regulations specific to academic laboratories by January 2022. What does this mean for you?

- A new OH 202 Hazardous Waste Management training will be offered and required.
- A laboratory waste management plan will be provided by EHS, as part of the laboratory safety manual and a stand-alone document.
- Laboratory waste will be required to be submitted at least every six months. Accumulation start date is already required on each waste container.



WASTE WATER PERMIT

UT Austin's wastewater permit prohibits chemicals from entering the drain. Please collect chemicals in the appropriate containers and dispose of them by submitting a disposal request to EHS.

Contact EHS for questions at 512-471-3511.

Do your part to keep UT Austin compliant!



INCIDENT NOTIFICATIONS



LAB SAFETY QUESTIONS

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