OLSEH Newsletter

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SAFETY INCIDENTS & ACCIDENTS

Two incidents were reported in the month.





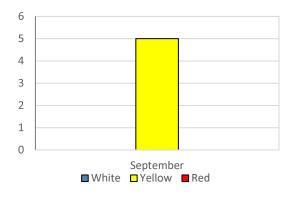


Incident	Cause	OLSEH recommendation
Frostnip while handling an - 80 degree refrigerator	While the student was trying to get protein samples from the top shelf of the -80°C fridge, he suffered an injury due to frostbite.	As the Deep freezer doesn't defrost automatically, it is suggested defrosting the deep freezer regularly.
UPS Room exhaust fan caught fire	The fan was running continuously without any break	Machinery with rotating parts must need some frequent breaks

^{*}Images are AI-generated.

NOTICES ISSUED FOR SAFETY VIOLATIONS

Five yellow notices were issued.



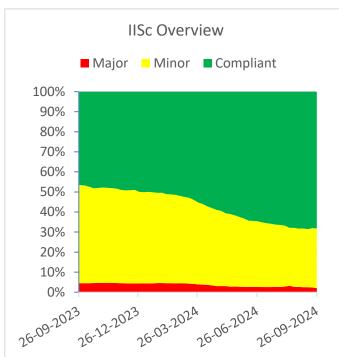


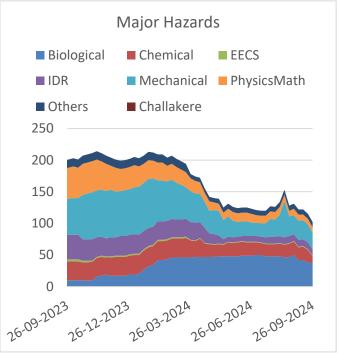


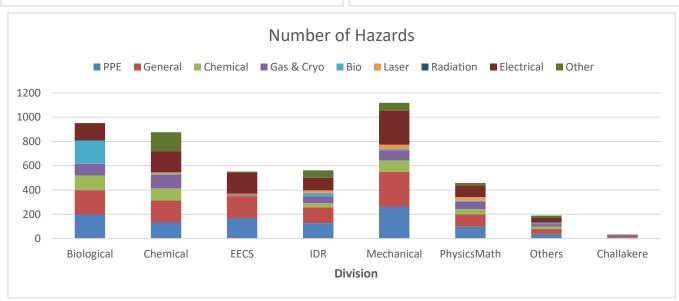
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	Reason	OLSEH recommendation
1.	For not addressing the recommendations of the lab safety audit report	If the violation is not remedied within the timeframe, OLSEH will send a yellow notice to the responsible PI or faculty for immediate action. For severe violations requiring immediate remedial action, the OLSEH office may directly issue a yellow or red notice.
2.	Unchained compressed gas cylinders inside the lab or gas cabinet.	All gas cylinders need to be chained as per the standards. The chain must either be half height or two chains at 1/3 and 2/3 height.
3.	PPE and fume hood safety violation	Proper PPE usage and hood safety protocols are strictly followed.

LAB STATUS TRENDLINE

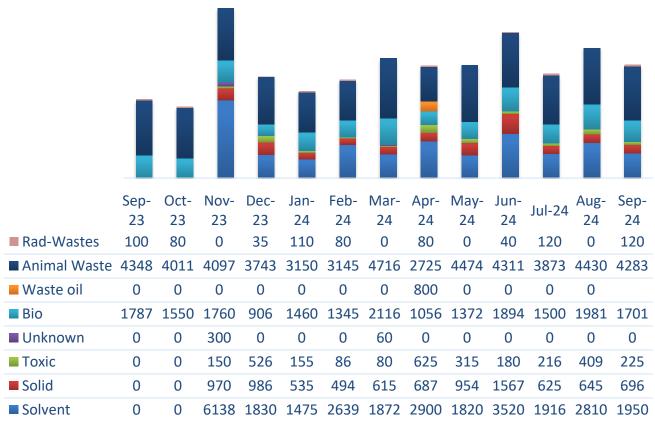






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WASTE DISPOSAL



Disposed of two inert gas cylinders in September

TRAINING

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT TRAINING

OLSEH conducts monthly Basic Life Support Training (CPR & First Aid). Certificates are provided (soft copy). The schedule is communicated in the Campus Bulletin.







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FIREFIGHTING TRAINING FOR SECURITY STAFF







REGULAR MOCK FIRE DRILLS FOR DEPARTMENTS











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