# Think Safety First!

# **CHEMICAL SAFETY MOMENT**

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## Welcome New Graduate students! It's time to get involved with Safety!

#### **Accident Reporting**

When an accident happens, no matter how minor, please follow these steps:

- 1. Seek medical attention immediately. If needed, dial 911 to get emergency services to your location.
- 2. If the injury results in an immediate medical emergency, medical assistance may be obtained from the nearest hospital or, if less severe, personal physician. [Scan the QR code below to find out where you should go for medical treatment]
- 3. Report <u>ALL</u> injuries to your supervisor/advisor as soon as possible.
- 4. File a Near Miss Report or First Report of Injury with EHS and the Departmental Safety Officer.
- 5. Follow up with your supervisor/advisor to investigate the accident.

Forms can be downloaded from the EHS website under the heading "General Health & Safety."

Following these steps will ensure we can all learn from mistakes which will aid us in preventing future incidents.

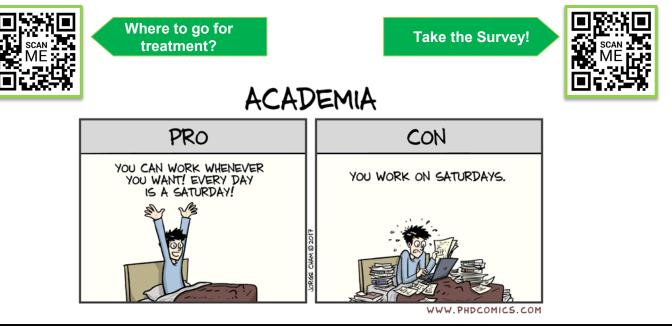
### **Near Miss Reporting**

Recently, a researcher reported a near miss incident when they received a chemical burn after touching a contaminated a door handle in a hallway. The incident was thought to have occurred after someone opened the door while using a contaminated gloved hand. Remember to **ALWAYS** have a non-gloved hand available in the hallway and to **NEVER** touch a common surface (door handles, elevator buttons, etc.) with a gloved hand.

Filing this near miss report has helped us spread the word to you and remind everyone of proper safety techniques. Near miss reports can be filed on the EHS website.

#### Shared Lab Survey

Do you share a lab with another group, or work in a common lab space? If so, scan the QR code below to take a short survey and share your experience on how the space is managed.



**Good Safety is Good Science!**