

Laboratory “Near-Miss” is an unplanned situation, where with minor changes to time or setting, could have easily resulted in damage or injury to person or property. A near-miss is characterized as having little, if any, immediate impact on individuals, processes, or the environment, but provides insight into accidents that could happen. Laboratory Near-Miss includes, but is not limited to processes and arenas that cause chemical spills, explosions, and bodily injury. Laboratory Near-Miss is critical to report as a means to improve awareness and safety at Western Kentucky University.

Laboratory Near-Miss Report

Author of Report: _____ Date: _____

Location of Incident (Building & Room Number): _____

Date and Time of Incident: _____

Person or People involved in Near-Miss: _____

Describe the laboratory process, chemicals and activities involved in the incident:

What was the potential for bodily injury or property damage?

Why did it happen?

Department Corrective Action:

Please submit to sarah.grant@wku.edu or to Environmental Health & Safety Office.

Laboratory Safety Officer Signature: