EMERGENCY PROCEDURES
FOR LASER USERS
Office of Radiation Safety—Laser Safety
Department of Environmental, Health & Safety
21 N Park St, Madison WI 53715
https://ehs.wisc.edu/labs-research/radiation-safety/lasers/
Phone: (608) 262 - 3600
Email: radiationsafety.@wisc.edu

In the event of a laser exposure:
1. Stop all work and shut down all lasers in the lab.
2. Provide for the safety of all personnel (first aid, evacuation, etc.).
3. Seek Medical Attention:
   
   **Eye Exposure**
   **During Business Hours:** Contact UW Occupational Medicine: (608)265-5610. They will assist in setting up an eye exam at Davis Duehr Dean.
   **After Business Hours:** Seek care at the nearest Urgent Care or Emergency Department.

   **Skin Exposure**
   **During Business Hours:** Contact UW Occupational Medicine: (608)265-5610.
   **After Business Hours:** Seek care at the nearest Urgent Care or Emergency Department.

   **In case of emergency:** Dial 911.

   *Laser eye exposures should be evaluated by an ophthalmologist as soon as possible.*

**Fire**
1. Stop all work. Shut down all laser(s).
2. Activate the building fire alarm and evacuate the building.
3. If the fire is small and you are trained to do so, you may attempt to extinguish with a fire extinguisher.

**After any accidental exposure or possible radiation injury:**
1. Notify your supervisor and PI.
2. Notify Office of Radiation Safety: radiationsafety@wisc.edu or (608)262-3600
3. Complete workers compensation form and submit to supervisor within **24 hours**.


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