# University of Southampton Health & Safety Risk Assessment

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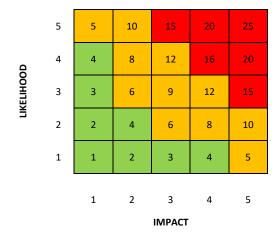
Risk Assessment					
Risk Assessment for the activity of	Collaborative Robot Perception for mm-wave radar Date 14/10/2024			14/10/2024	
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PART A										
(1) Risk identification		(2) Risk assessment			(3) Risk management					
Hazard	Potential Who might be		Inherent			Residual			Further controls (use	
	Consequences	harmed (user; those nearby; those in the vicinity; members of the public)	Likelihood	Impact	Score	Control measures (use the risk hierarchy)	Likelihood	Impact	Score	the risk hierarchy)
The European RF exposure radiation limit is fulfilled if a minimum distance of 5 cm between the body and the radio transmitter is respected.	Heating effect and potential cause of cataracts.	User or anybody nearby who is within 5 cm of the transmitter.	4	4	16	Place the radar module in a box when operating in a lab. The box when closed will have a push to make switch that will only allow the radar to be turned on when securely in place in the box so that no-one can go withing 5 cm of the transmitter. When not operating the radar, the box should be left open so the switch is left open meaning the radar cannot be powered.	1	4	4	Place sign on box saying not to touch so that someone doesn't mess with the setup.

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## **Assessment Guidance**

1. Eliminate	Remove the hazard wherever possible which negates the need for further controls	If this is not possible then explain why	1
2. Substitute	Replace the hazard with one less hazardous	If not possible then explain why	2
3. Physical controls	Examples: enclosure, fume cupboard, glove box	Likely to still require admin controls as well	3
4. Admin controls	Examples: training, supervision, signage		4
5. Personal protection	Examples: respirators, safety specs, gloves	Last resort as it only protects the individual	5



Impact		Health & Safety		
1	Trivial - insignificant	Very minor injuries e.g. slight bruising		
2	Minor	Injuries or illness e.g. small cut or abrasion which require basic first aid treatment even in self-administered.		
3	Moderate	Injuries or illness e.g. strain or sprain requiring first aid or medical support.		
4	Major	Injuries or illness e.g. broken bone requiring medical support >24 hours and time off work >4 weeks.		
5	Severe - extremely significant	Fatality or multiple serious injuries or illness requiring hospital admission or significant time off work.		

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#### Risk process

- 1. Identify the impact and likelihood using the tables above.
- 2. Identify the risk rating by multiplying the Impact by the likelihood using the coloured matrix.
- 3. If the risk is amber or red identify control measures to reduce the risk to as low as is reasonably practicable.
- 4. If the residual risk is green, additional controls are not necessary.
- If the residual risk is amber the activity can continue but you must identify and implement further controls to reduce the risk to as low as reasonably practicable.
- If the residual risk is red <u>do not continue with the activity</u> until additional controls have been implemented and the risk is reduced.
- 7. Control measures should follow the risk hierarchy, where appropriate as per the pyramid above.
- 8. The cost of implementing control measures can be taken into account but should be proportional to the risk i.e. a control to reduce low risk may not need to be carried out if the cost is high but a control to manage high risk means that even at high cost the control would be necessary.

Likelihood	
1	Rare e.g. 1 in 100,000 chance or higher
2	Unlikely e.g. 1 in 10,000 chance or higher
3	Possible e.g. 1 in 1,000 chance or higher
4	Likely e.g. 1 in 100 chance or higher
5	Very Likely e.g. 1 in 10 chance or higher