# Risk Assessment Form

**Group:**
NIHR Cambridge BRC Immunophenotyping Hub at e6, JCBC and HLRI sites

**Personnel involved:** All staff listed on [https://www.med.cam.ac.uk/nihr-cambridge-brc-cell-phenotyping-hub/staff-and-links/](https://www.med.cam.ac.uk/nihr-cambridge-brc-cell-phenotyping-hub/staff-and-links/)

**Activity being assessed:**
Use of Display Screen Equipment (DSE)
Hazards identified:

1. **Eye strain** The use of DSEs is not associated with damage to the eyes or eyesight although uncorrected defects can increase the stress of working with such equipment.

2. **Repetitive Strain Injury** (RSI); a musculo-skeletal disorder. Symptoms are pain, swollen soft tissue, restricted joint movement, loss of function and possible permanent disability. Users of keyboards who are not trained typists are more susceptible to such problems.

Control measures to reduce the level of risk:

(1 and 2) All workstations feature adjustable screens and adjustable chairs, allowing staff to position themselves to minimize glare, reflection and noise.

(1) **Eye strain.** If defective vision is suspected, users are entitled to vision screening and full eyesight test if necessary. If prescribed for VDU work, basic spectacles can be supplied but remain the property of the University.
**Emergency procedures**

**First Aid:**

Refer to: Appendix XIII of the Institutes ‘Health and Safety Manual’

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**Name of assessor:**
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