

# **SDSs: What are They Good For?**

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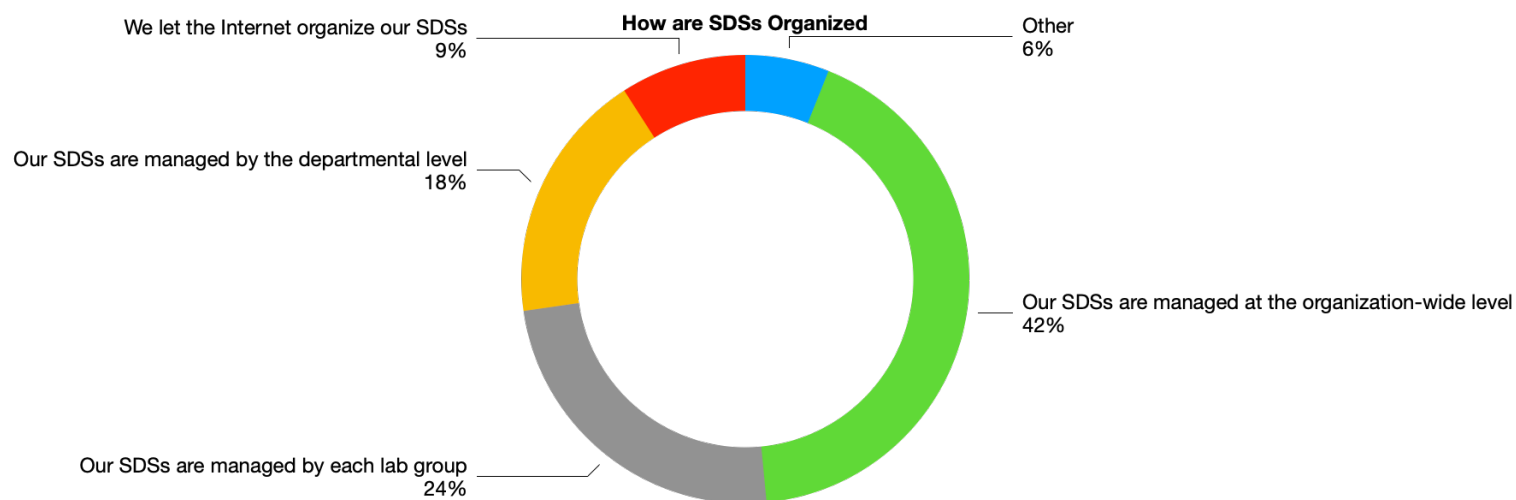
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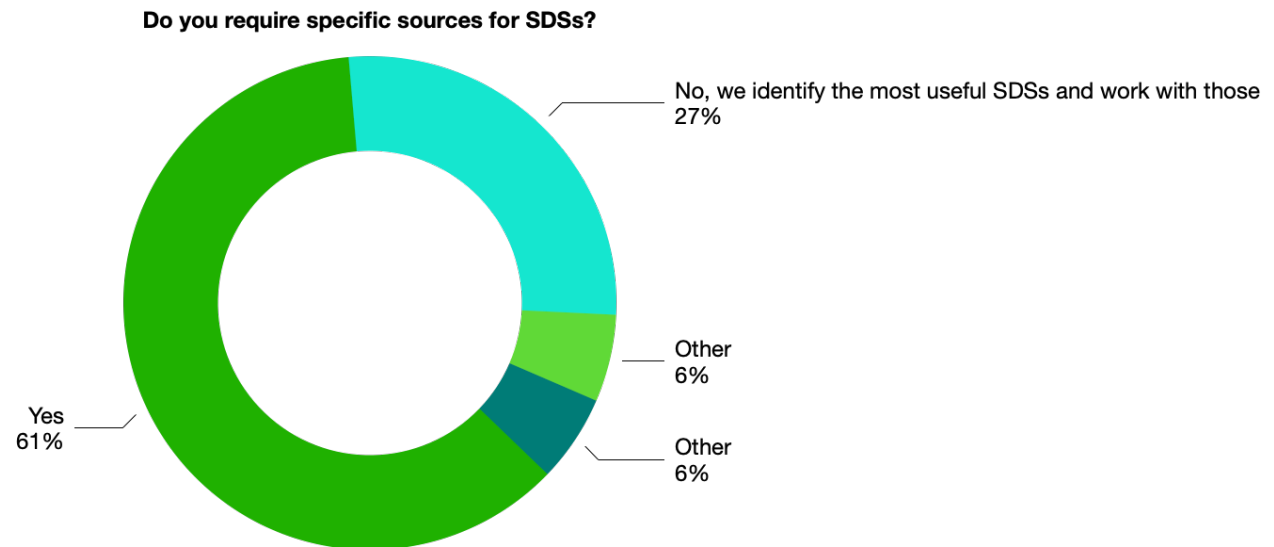
# What are your top priorities for your SDS program?



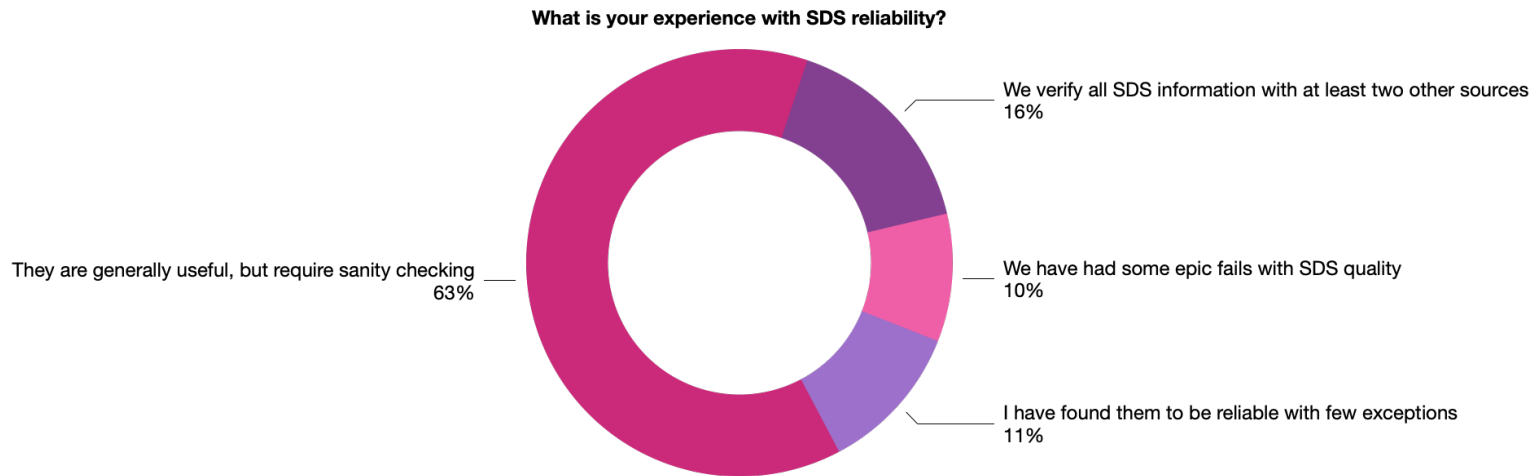
# What approach does your lab use in collecting and organizing SDSs?



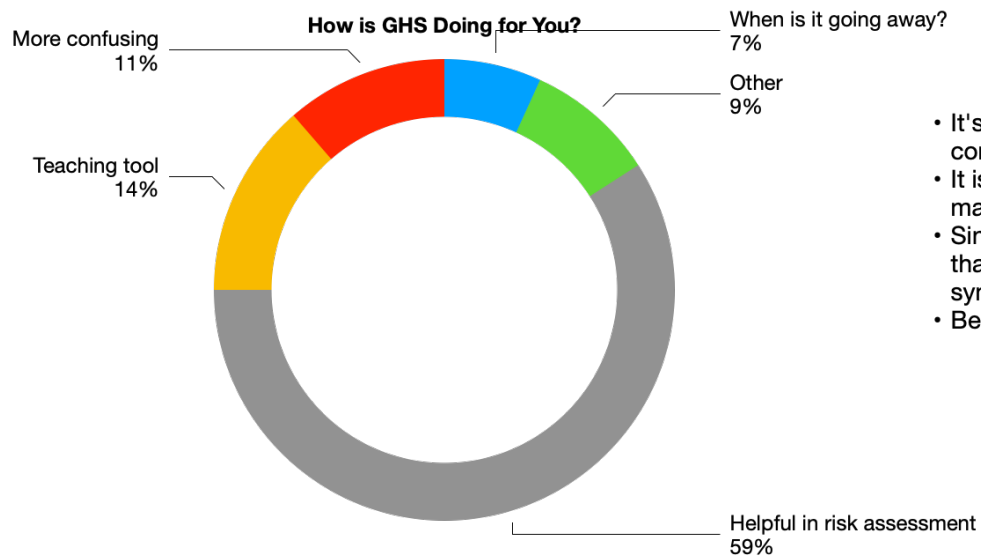
Do you require that SDSs you collect for lab chemicals be specific to the suppliers that produced the chemical?



# What is your experience with the reliability of SDSs?

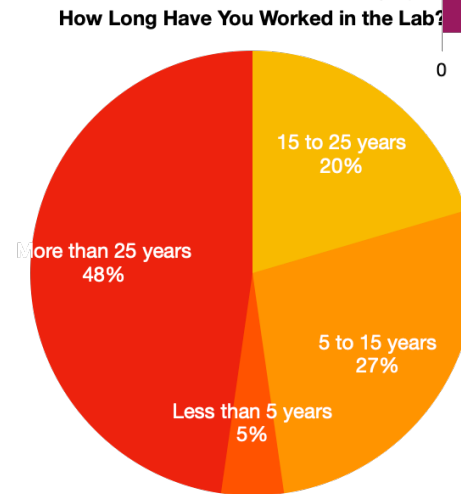
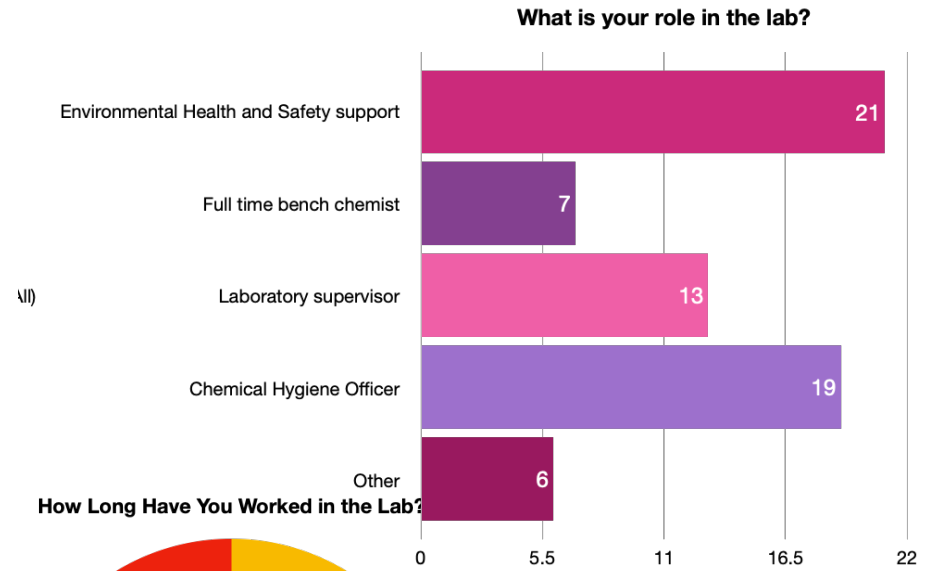
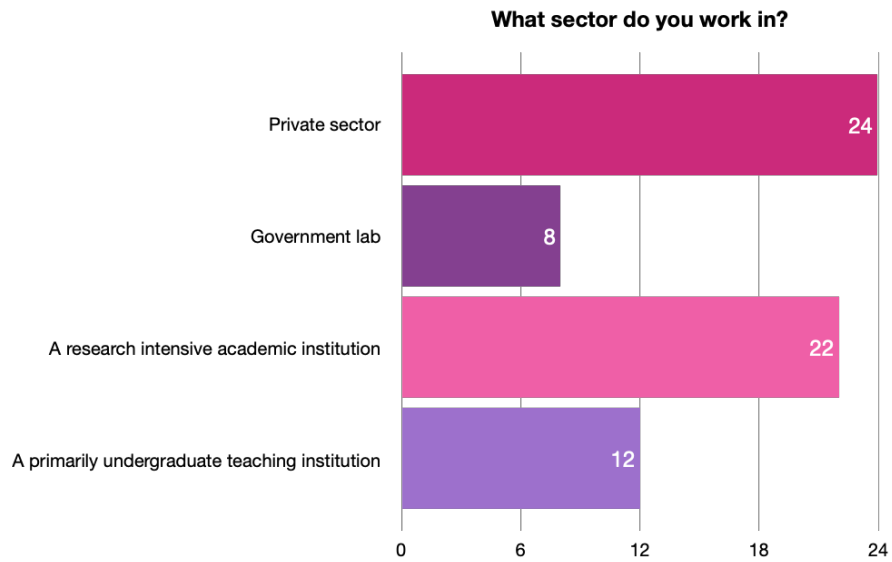


# GHS and You



- It's necessary, but not sufficient, for consistent, accurate hazard communication
- It is helpful in risk assessment project, there are still many inconsistencies that make use in an academic setting difficult
- Since there aren't GHS symbols for some hazards (ex. water-reactive) those that don't carefully read the SDS may miss important hazards by relying on the symbols.
- Best organization for chemical hazard to date.

# Respondent Demographics



# Questions

How can we FORCE SDS publishers to include relevant and useful chemical data.

I would be so happy to see something in the Disposal section other than "Follow all state and federal laws"

In general is it worth simply relying/focusing on PubChem summaries instead of the manufacturer's SDS? If so, then would this eliminate the need to maintain an SDS database?

We have to put HMIS on all of our chemicals, how do you get that information from the current GHS formatted SDS?

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