

Teenager seriously injured in city centre attack



Police are appealing for witnesses after a teenager was seriously assaulted in Edinburgh City Centre during the early hours of Sunday morning

The incident happened at around 3:15am when an 18-year-old man sustained significant injuries to his arm following an altercation on Rose Street.

The male had been at a nightclub on George Street with friends when an argument broke out with another man who had not been part of the group.

A short time later the men were seen running down Hanover Street before turning onto Rose Street at which point the suspect attacked the male resulting in serious injury to his right arm.

He was last seen heading along Rose Street in the direction of St Andrews Square before being lost from sight.

Paramedics were called to the scene where they treated the injured male before transferring him to hospital.

Police are now asking anyone who was in the area of Rose Street or George Street around the time of this incident and who can help identify the suspect to come forward.

He is described as white, in his 20's, around 5ft 8ins tall, with a slim build, shaved head and wore a red cardigan, blue polo shirt and blue jeans.

Detective Constable Graham McIlwraith of Police Scotland said: "A thorough investigation is now underway and we are pursuing a

number of lines of inquiry.

“However, I encourage anyone who witnessed this incident or who can help identify the male attacker to please come forward immediately.

“The victim could have, quite easily, sustained more serious injuries.and those with relevant information are asked to call police on 101 or, alternatively the charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.”