Hygiene Guidelines at JCF Frühjahrrssymposium (FJS) 2022

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1. General comments

Changes compared to the version from February 13, 2022 are highlighted in yellow.

The safety of participants and staff during FJS is our highest priority. We are closely watching the development and changes in the overall pandemic situation and are in constant discussions with the university to guarantee a safe conference. Due to the risk of infection in Germany, we will implement an extensive medical-hygienic concept at our conference. Documents regarding hygiene rules at FJS can be found at https://symposium.jcf.io/news.

As of March 2022, the number of COVID cases and risk of infection is rising again in Germany. Although local, federal, and national restrictions have loosened recently and further loosening is announced, we feel that with the current situation it is not appropriate to loosen FJS hygiene guidelines. The conference will be carried out according to the hygiene guidelines from February 13, 2022, i.e. employing a 2G+ regulation and daily testing.

With attending the conference you agree that you will follow the implemented hygiene concepts. At the registration desk, you will need to confirm that you have carefully read and accepted the hygiene concept by signature in order to receive your conference name badge. If hygiene rules are not followed, we reserve our right to exclude you from the conference.

Please read this document carefully to make sure there are no problems for you to enter the conference, especially regarding the vaccination status. If you have questions regarding your vaccination status, if you cannot attend the conference or if you have any further questions, please contact fjs-heads@jcf.io.

2. Basic measures and access to the conference

2.1 Vaccination and 2G+

It is only possible to attend the conference if you are fully vaccinated or recovered from COVID (2G+ rule). In the beginning of the conference, your digital vaccination certificate which exhibits that you are fully vaccinated with an authorized vaccination will be checked by the FJS Team. Please have your digital vaccination certificate (QR-code, will be scanned) and your ID card ready at the registration desk. Only with accepted vaccinations you will receive your conference name badge.
The authorized vaccinations are Comirnaty by BioNTech Manufacturing GmbH, COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen by Janssen-Cilag International NV, Nuvaxovid by Novavax CZ a.s., Spikevax by Moderna Biotech and Vaxzevria by AstraZeneca AB. Two vaccine doses of the vaccinations down below are necessary:

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If you want some more information about authorized vaccinations visit the website of the Paul-Ehrlich Institute:

https://www.pei.de/EN/medicinal-products/vaccines-human/covid-19/covid-19-list-1.html;jsessionid=31FC72473346FF15C691147DB50DDEDD.intranet211

Next to it, it is possible to be fully vaccinated with a combination of two different vaccines or with only one vaccine dose after an infection with COVID-19. The infection should be diagnosed using nucleic acid detection laboratory diagnostics (PCR, POC-PCR or other nucleic acid amplification technology methods). More information can be found on the website of the Paul-Ehrlich Institute:


**Important:** If your last vaccination or COVID-19 infection is older than six month you need a third vaccine dose (“booster vaccination”) to count as fully vaccinated.

### 2.2 Daily testing and testing facilities

Beside the vaccination certificate (or certificate of recovery) every participant and staff members have to show a negative rapid antigen test when entering the conference for
the first time on each day. This test may not be older than 12 hours. After your test is controlled by the FJS team, you will receive a specific color badge/wristband that allows you access to the conference on that specific day. Without the correct wristband you are not allowed to join the conference, i.e. the wristband is necessary to enter Audimax (will be checked at the entrance), to get food or drinks at the bars (will be checked by the FJS staff) or the be in the Lichthof. Although inside all buildings of Leibniz University a 3G rule is in place and the FJS will take place in a public part of the university, we will make sure that there is as little mixing of public visitors and FJS participants during the conference.

**Testing facilities for rapid antigen tests**

In Germany, any person can get free certified rapid antigen tests (“Bürgertest”). This is independent of nationality and therefore all participants can be tested for free every day. You will have two possibilities for testing: The FJS test center or the regular testing facilities in Hannover.

**FJS Test center.** We will offer testing possibilities directly at the entrance of the main conference venue (Welfengarten 1, 30167 Hannover) for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday morning. For Tuesday and Wednesday events, please use the regular testing facilities in Hannover. The testing at the FJS Test center will be offered exclusively for FJS participants and is possible during the following time slots:

- **Thursday, March 24:** 6:30 AM to 8:00 AM
- **Friday, March 25:** 6:30 AM to 8:00 AM
- **Saturday, March 26:** 7:00 AM to 8:30 AM

All FJS participants will receive a link via E-Mail to reserve testing time slots at the FJS Test center. For speakers and presenters we will provide an additional testing possibility at the conference site to make sure that no session is missed (information will be provided by E-Mail).

**Regular testing.** Of course you can also book your free test (“Bürgertest”) at any of the other public testing facilities in Hannover. We advise that you look for testing possibilities close to your accommodation and do the test in the morning before heading to the conference site. This way we can prevent long lines in front of testing facilities close to the conference site. Please keep in mind that it usually takes 15 to 30 min for your testing result to be ready. We therefore advise to take your test 45 min prior to the start of the session you are interested in. We also like to mention that according to the above-mentioned guidelines, when entering the FJS for the first time on a day, the test should not be older than 12 hours. Testing should be performed daily in the morning and not in the evening the day before.
Overview of all testing possibilities in Hannover (German):

The above-mentioned website is only available in German; however navigation is straight forward:
Go to the map and enter the address of your accommodation. You can then check for testing facilities close to your accommodation. If you click on one of the facilities, you will see the opening hours and you can check if this fits with your planning of visiting FJS. You can then book your free citizen test (“Bürgertest”) using the provided link to the website of the individual provider.

Testing Possibilities of Provider “Schnelltestzentrum Hannover” (English):
https://schnelltest-hannover.de/en/

If you still encounter difficulties booking your testing slot at a regular testing facility, please try using the FJS Test center or consult the FJS Guest Service Team for help: fjs-guestservice@jcf.io.

2.3 Masks

To enter the conference, it is mandatory to wear a FFP-2 or corresponding mask (KN95-/N95/KF94-/KF95). The mask has to be worn in the entire conference venue at all times and during all events. A medical mask is not sufficient.

3. Measures on the conference venue

According to the regulations of the Leibniz University Hannover (FAQ section 10.1), events of a public nature with external guests are allowed to take place only in compliance with the 2G+ rule and regulations on distancing. In addition, a hygiene concept must be approved by the Occupational Safety Department for every individual event. In the following, the approved hygiene guidelines for Spring Symposium 2022 (22.03. – 26.03.) are listed. The guidelines count for all events on the chemical campus, the Welfenschloss and the “königlicher Pferdestall”.

Entering the University
- if you have any Covid-19 symptoms you are not allowed to enter the buildings listed above in which events of FJS will take place
- the event will take place in compliance with 2G+ regulations
- without a conference badge you will not get access to the conference
- disinfect your hands
- you have to wear a FFP-2 or corresponding mask

**Entering lecture rooms / workshop rooms**
- control of conference badge and wristband/bracelet with the characteristic color of the day for a negative test
- disinfect your hands
- you have to wear a FFP-2 or corresponding mask

**Certificates**
- All people (participants and staff) must show a current vaccination certificate with booster vaccination at the registration on the first day (if the second vaccination is less than 6 months old, no booster vaccination is required) (depends on the current regulation of the state of Lower Saxony). Only in case of confirmed vaccination status a conference badge with the name will be handed out
- In addition, a negative test is required every day, which must be presented when entering the building for the first time each day. This is checked by the organizer and on confirmation, an additional wristband with a characteristic color for each day (different one every day) will be handed out. This wristband is checked again at the individual events of the conference and without the correct wristband, no access to the lecture halls or events in the atrium (“Lichthof”) is allowed

**Early arrival**
- Please be at the venue in time before the event starts to avoid congestions
- join the marked queues so that we can check you in more quickly

**Mask**
- You have to wear a FFP-2 or corresponding mask (for example KN95-/N95-/KF94-/KF95-Masken), no medicinal masks
- Wearing a mask on your place is necessary
- Speakers/presenters are allowed to take of the mask if the distance to another person is more than 2 m

**Distance**
- Please take 2 m distance to other persons
- Only every 2nd place should be taken in the lecture rooms

**Hand disinfection**
- when entering the building, you have to disinfect your hands
- Disinfectant dispensers will be available on all bar tables and at the registration desk, as well as in each conference bag that all participants receive at the beginning of the event
- Regular hand washing is recommended between sessions

**Food & Drinks**
- You are allowed to eat/drink if you have 2 m distance to other people
- You have to wear a mask if you are at the bar / buffet
- You have to use disposable towels at the bar (e.g. to tap coffee)

**Stairs**
- The stairs can be used in both directions

**Sanitary areas**
- Wash your hands after using the toilet
- If the waiting room is full, please wait outside the sanitary

4. Measures in case of COVID-19 infections

If you feel uncomfortable or have symptoms of a COVID-19 infection, we ask you to stay at home and don't enter the conference venue. All participants and staff are tested daily to prevent the spread of COVID-19. In case of positive tests, participants are not allowed to enter the conference. In case of a positive rapid antigen tests, you will have the possibility to get a free PCR testing (at a different location).

In case of a large number of positive tests on a single day, cancellation of the conference remains a possible measure.

5. Hygiene rules of Leibniz University Hannover

We would like to mention that at Leibniz University Hannover, host of the conference, a 3G rule is in place in all buildings and wearing masks is mandatory inside. For events with public nature and with external guests (e.g. on the FJS conference site), 2G+ regulations and regulations on distancing are necessary. If you enter the university or FJS locations without appropriate documents, you will be banned from the venue and legal proceedings can be charged against you due to trespassing.

Further information available at

6. Important links and further information

Documents and information on hygiene rules at FJS:

- [https://www.symposium.jcf.io/news](https://www.symposium.jcf.io/news)

Entry and quarantine regulations in Germany:


Regulations of the infection protection of the country of Lower Saxony:

- [https://www.niedersachsen.de/Coronavirus/vorschriften-der-landesregierung-185856.html](https://www.niedersachsen.de/Coronavirus/vorschriften-der-landesregierung-185856.html)

Measures from the Leibniz University Hannover (conference site):

- [https://www.uni-hannover.de/en/universitaet/aktuelles/corona/#c68953](https://www.uni-hannover.de/en/universitaet/aktuelles/corona/#c68953)
- [https://www.uni-hannover.de/en/universitaet/aktuelles/corona/meldungen/](https://www.uni-hannover.de/en/universitaet/aktuelles/corona/meldungen/)

Information regarding vaccination:

- [https://www.pei.de/EN/medicinal-products/vaccines-human/covid-19/covid-19-list-1.html;jsessionid=31FC72473346FF15C691147DB50DDEDD.intranet211](https://www.pei.de/EN/medicinal-products/vaccines-human/covid-19/covid-19-list-1.html;jsessionid=31FC72473346FF15C691147DB50DDEDD.intranet211)

Coronavirus information for public transport in Hannover:


**Overview of testing possibilities in Hannover**


7. Contact

For any questions or inquiries, please contact [fis-heads@jcf.io](mailto:fis-heads@jcf.io).