

To protect the users and the staff members of the Electron and Light Microscopy Service Unit, all users are required to adhere to the following additional safety regulations during the “Sonderbetrieb” of the University:

(These rules built upon the general regulations for the “Sonderbetrieb” issued by the University of Oldenburg and the School of Science and Mathematics)

1. Users who have been in risk areas or had contact with confirmed SARS-CoV-2 patients are not allowed to access the facility for 14 days.
2. Users who are SARS-Cov-2 positive or otherwise sick are not allowed to access the facility even if they appear to have only mild cold-like symptoms.
3. Users with health conditions who are at risk to develop severe symptoms are advised to avoid the facility and ask colleagues to perform experiments in their place. Inform the facility staff.
4. For the booking of user time-slots at the facility instruments, an online booking system is implemented (booking time-slots at the whiteboard on the hallway is no longer possible). To request a user account for the booking system, please write an email to Vita Solovyeva (vita.solovyeva@uni-oldenburg.de). (Please still, as before, document your instruments usage times in the paper-based logs and lab-books provided at each instrument)
5. Before using the service unit’s instruments for the first time during the “Sonderbetrieb”, users are required to confirm that they were briefed on the updated security measures in the Service Unit during the “Sonderbetrieb”. A signature sheet is provided at each instrument.
6. Only a **single user is allowed per microscope per session**.
7. **Two time slots per day** (9-12 a.m. and 1-4 p.m.) are available for the use of the service unit’s microscopes and further devices. During one slot, only a single user may use the respective microscope/device.
8. A user-free time slot (60 min) is blocked between the sessions.
9. Within the service unit, **users are required to wear face masks and gloves**.
10. The users are instructed to disinfect the workplace and instruments before and after use. Disinfectants are provided at each instrument. For details of the disinfectant procedures of the specific instruments, please contact the Service Unit staff.
11. Each user must cover keyboards, mice, eyepieces, binocular body with plastic wrap for household use (provided at the instruments) before starting their microscopy session and remove the wrap at the end of their session.
12. Gloves must be put on before or immediately after entering the room.
13. Users should not touch bare surfaces without gloves. That includes door handles, microscope parts, and computers including peripheral devices.
14. All users are encouraged to bring and wear their own safety glasses for further protection from virus transmission through the eyes.

Signature

Date