Compulsory safety rules while working in the EMCF during the partial re-opening period

We consider the EMCF a place where there is high traffic so we ask you to please wear your community mask in the corridors and in the individual wet labs. You do not however, need a mask when working alone on a machine. Nevertheless, we ask you to please still cover the microscopes/microtomes with plastic film as stated in the rules below. If you feel more comfortable, please leave 30 minutes in between each booking to let the room air out.

You are still obliged to wear FFP2 masks if you are preforming a training that will cause you to be together with another person for more than 15 minutes and/or you cannot maintain the 1.5 meters distancing rule.

All microscopes and machines should be booked through PPMS and the corresponding rooms through the EMBL Google Calendar

Microscopes:
When working on the microscopes in the EMCF the following safety rules must be applied:

When starting:
1. Put on a fresh pair of gloves.
2. Clean all surfaces with 80% ethanol (do not clean microscope control pads with EtOH).
3. Place plastic cling wrap (provided next to each microscope) around the **oculars**, **the body of the microscope below the oculars**, the **computer keyboard** and the **mouse**.
4. Remove gloves and throw them away.
5. While working, you have the option of wearing a new pair of gloves the whole time, or disinfecting your hands with the solution provided. If you decide not to wear gloves, please remember to disinfect your hands from time to time.

When finishing:
1. Put on a fresh pair of gloves.
2. Remove all plastic cling wrap and throw it away.
3. Clean all surfaces with 80% ethanol (do not clean microscope control pads with EtOH).
4. Remove gloves and throw them away. Disinfect hands with provided disinfection solution.

**Only one person is allowed in each of the microscope rooms at a time. Please see the new rules for masks above. If you need help on the microscopes, please call Martin Schorb. His number is located in every microscope room.**

The Morgagni microscope must be booked in advance. Walking in and spontaneously using the microscope to quickly check a grid will not be tolerated.

Ultramicrotomes:
When working on the ultramicrotomes in the EMCF the following safety rules must be applied:

When starting:
1. Put on a fresh pair of gloves.
2. Clean all surfaces with 80% ethanol.
3. Place plastic cling wrap (provided next to each ultramicrotome) around the **oculars, the body of the ultramicrotome below the oculars** and the **control pad**.
4. Remove gloves and throw them away.

5. While working, you have the option of wearing a new pair of gloves the whole time, or disinfecting your hands with the solution provided. If you decide not to wear gloves, please remember to disinfect your hands from time to time.

When finishing:
1. Put on a fresh pair of gloves.
2. Remove plastic cling wrap and throw it away.
3. Clean all surfaces with 80% ethanol.
4. Remove gloves and throw them away. Disinfect hands with provided disinfection solution.

**Other instruments in the EMCF:**

**When working on other machines in the EMCF, the same rules apply:**

When starting and finishing:
1. Put on a fresh pair of gloves.
2. Clean all surfaces with 80% ethanol.
3. Remove gloves and throw them away.
4. While working, you have the option of wearing a new pair of gloves the whole time, or disinfecting your hands with the solution provided. If you decide not to wear gloves, please remember to disinfect your hands from time to time.