

Information on infectious serology and chlamydia testing

Dear patients,

We would like to inform you of a legal provision. Both partners (exception: couples using donor sperm) must complete two special examinations within 3 months <u>before</u> the first IVF treatment with/without donor sperm and insemination with donor sperm: a blood test in order to rule out certain infectious diseases and a urine test which tests for the presence of chlamydia. For the conduction of these tests, we have a contract with the below mentioned laboratories. Please note that treatment can only start after presentation of the examination results and that the conduction of these examinations can only be conducted using <u>one of the laboratories mentioned on the back page</u>.

When should you provide us with the result?

A negative test result has to be present at the time of the first ultrasound before stimulation! Therefore, please conduct the blood and urine test at the latest one week before this appointment! The test results cannot be older than 3 months on the day of the ovum-pick up, thereafter it is valid for 2 years from the date of the blood sample.

In the case of a positive result, further examinations will be conducted automatically – meaning additional costs of approximately EUR1 125,00 for the PCR determination.

What should you pay careful attention to?

- → No appointment necessary.
- → Costs for blood and urine test EUR 95,00 per person
- → You do not have to fast before the blood and urine test.
- → Women should not conduct this test during menstruation!

For the test to give a conclusive result, the initial urine should be used. This is either the first urine in the morning or during the day after refraining from urination for 2 hours.

The urine sample can be delivered directly at the laboratory or can be brought to one of their branches in a sample container within 2-3 hours of delivery at home.



List of locations - "Ihr Labor" in Vienna

Ihr Labor 1010	Ihr Labor 1040	Ihr Labor 1090
Dr. Karl Lueger Platz 2	Operngasse 17-21	Währinger Straße 63
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Ihr Labor 1100	Ihr Labor 1150	Ihr Labor 1220
Rotenhofgasse 14	Gablenzgasse 3, 4.Stock	Wagramer Straße 144
1100 Vienna	1150 Vienna	1220 Vienna
T +43 1 604 91 19	T +43 1 890 67 15	T +43 1 203 67 74
E: info1100@ihrlabor.at	E. info1150@ihrlabor.at	E: info1220@ihrlabor.at

IHR LABOR 1070	IHR LABOR 1100
Westbahnstraße 6A	Rotenhofgasse 14
1070 Vienna	1100 Vienna
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Opening hours at all locations: Mon-Thu: 7am - 5.30pm, Fri 7am - 4.30pm

Blood test at all locations: Mon-Fri: 7am - 3.30pm

These directives are legal requirements and are monitored by the health ministry through the agency for health and nutrition safety. Further information on the law can be found below. Please do not be confused by the word "donor" in the legal text. It is a general term referring to all patients from whom cells are to be removed.

An analogous translation of the relevant paragraphs of the federal law "Gewebeentnahmeeinrichtungsverordnung und Gewebebankenverordnung" ("human tissue removal facility and storage regulation") are listed below.

Further information can be accessed online at:

https://www.ris.bka.gv.at/Dokumente/BgblAuth/BGBLA 2014 II 87/BGBLA 2014 II 87.pdf https://www.ris.bka.gv.at/Dokumente/BgblAuth/BGBLA 2008 II 191/BGBLA 2008 II 191.pdf https://www.ris.bka.gv.at/Dokumente/BgblAuth/BGBLA 2016 II 24/BGBLA 2016 II 24.pdf

The Austrian tissue removal facility regulation (GEEVO) paragraph 11, sections 4 and 7 states:

- "(4) The following laboratory tests must be performed to determine whether a risk of cross-contamination is present:
- 1. HIV 1 and 2: Anti-HIV-1,2,
- 2. Hepatitis B: HBsAg and Anti-HBc,
- 3. Hepatitis C: Anti-HCV-Ab and
- 4. Syphilis.

Furthermore, urine samples of donors of reproductive cells must react negatively in a nucleic acid amplification test for chlamydia.

(7) The blood samples to be tested must be taken within 3 months before the first donation, and the result must be available before the donation. Further blood samples needed in order to perform the laboratory tests stated in paragraph 4 are to be taken at the latest 24 months after the previous sample extraction."

In case of a treatment with sperm or egg cells of a third person the laboratory is required to create retention samples from the blood test according to the legal requirements stated in paragraph 4, section 17 of the Austrian tissue removal facility regulation (GEEVO).