

Prevention measures against COVID-19 at SPring-8/SACLA

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1. Mitigation Measures for Infection Risk

1) Use of facemasks by staff

Staff are wearing facemasks in consideration of the health of both users and staff.

2) Alcohol sanitizers

Alcohol sanitizers are available throughout the facilities used by visitors (e.g. the entrance of SACLA Experimental Facility).

3) Plastic sheets to prevent droplet infection

Plastic sheets and boards are installed in front of the Users Office (North Building) to prevent droplet infection in consideration of the health of both users and staff.

4) Thermography

Thermography devices are installed in front of the Users Office and the Guest House Front Desk in order to measure body temperature of visitors.

5) Strict guidelines for standard precautions for staff

Staff follow strict guidelines for physical condition management, including temperature checks, frequent hand-washing, gargling, and hand-sanitizing.

2. Avoid the "Three Cs"

1) Avoid "Crowded places with many people nearby"

In an effort to avoid "Crowded places", there is a possibility that user support from beamline scientists may be limited.

2) Avoid "Close-contact settings such as close-range conversations"

In an effort to avoid "Close-contact settings", staff keep social distance sufficiently.

3) Avoid "Closed spaces with poor ventilation"

Facilities and buildings are ventilated sufficiently.

3. Strict Cleaning and Disinfectants

Disinfectants are regularly used during cleaning, especially in locations frequented by large numbers of people (e.g. for door knobs).