
Privacy Notice

This privacy notice explains what personal data EMBL collects, for what purposes, how it is processed, and how we keep it secure, in the context of:

Protein Databank in Europe

1. Who is responsible for the processing

The EMBL data controller (and joint-controller if applicable) contact details are:

EMBL-EBI Hinxton
Wellcome Genome Campus Hinxton, Cambridgeshire CB10 1SD United Kingdom
+44 (0)1223 494 444
info@ebi.ac.uk

2. What personal data do we process

The following categories of personal data may be processed:

Account & Technical Data:
Digital identifiers (username, IP address, ORCID)
Usage data and cookies

Event & Communication Data:
Event registration and attendance
Feedback and surveys

Custom value:
Date and time of a visit to the service website
Operating system
Amount of data transmitted
Browser
IP address (temporarily processed, stored in de-identified form)
Device screen size
Device type (unique device identifiers)
Geographic location (country only)
Preferred language used to display our website

If applicable, the following categories of sensitive data may be processed:

Health related data (if disabilities when attending an event) or food preferences.

3. For what purposes do we process your personal data

Your personal data will be processed for the following purposes:

Research & Development:
Service improvement and development
Usage analysis and reporting

To better understand the needs of the users and guide future improvements of the service.
To create anonymous usage statistics.

4. What is the legal basis for processing

We rely on the following legal basis(es) to process your personal data:

The legal basis for processing is Article 6(1)(d): processing is necessary for EMBL's day-to-day management, operation and functioning.
The processing of health data is based on consent (Article 9(3) of IP68).

5. Who can access your personal data

The following categories of recipients may access your personal data:

EMBL internal recipients:

EMBL-EBI Hinxton:
Protein Data Bank in Europe team

EMBL external recipients:

External recipient categories:
Data processors processing data on EMBL's behalf
Data Processor 1:
Google (for Google Analytics)
Data Processor 2:
Microsoft (for Microsoft Clarity)
Data Processor 3:
HotJar
Location of Processor, External Recipient or International Organisation:
Outside EEA (US) and within the European Economic Area (EEA)

6. How long do we keep your personal data

Your personal data will be kept for the following period of time:

Retention envisaged time limits:

Personal data will be retained even if users no longer use the service but still available to ensure legal compliance and the possibility to undergo internal and external audits

Retention period rationale:

Personal data will be kept only for as long as it is necessary to provide access to and maintain the service. This retention period was chosen to ensure the proper functioning of the service, maintain account integrity, and allow us to improve the service and respond to user requests or feedback.

7. How do we protect your personal data

We have adopted the following measures to protect your personal data:

Other techniques applied

Access to administrative systems and machines is restricted to a limited number of individuals

8. Data subjects' rights and oversight mechanism

Under Article 16 of the EMBL Internal Policy No 68, data subjects have the following rights:

- a right not to be subject to a decision made by automated means (i.e. without any human intervention)
- a right to request access to your personal data
- a right to request information on the reasoning underlying data processing
- a right to object to the processing of personal data
- a right to request erasure or rectification of your personal data.

When the legal basis to process personal data is consent, please note that you have the right to withdraw your consent at any time.

Please note that those rights can be subject to limitations, as described in Article 16 (2) of the EMBL Internal Policy No 68.

If you wish to exercise your rights or wish to contact the data controller regarding any other data protection related matters, you can contact us using, by sending an e-mail to: info@embl.de or by sending a letter to: Meyerhofstraße 1 69117 Heidelberg Germany.

Advice on data protection matters can also be obtained from the EMBL Data Protection Officer (DPO), under Article 20 (2) of the EMBL Internal Policy No 68. The DPO can be reached by email at dpo@embl.org or by letter at: EMBL Data Protection Officer, EMBL Heidelberg, Meyerhofstraße 1, 69117 Heidelberg, Germany.

If you wish to complain under Article 25(1) of the EMBL Internal Policy No 68, you may do so with the DPO by email at dpo@embl.org.

If you believe that the response of the DPO is unsatisfactory or if the DPO has failed to respond within three months from receipt of the complaint, you may complain in writing to the Data Protection Committee. It can be reached by email at dpc@embl.org or by post at: EMBL Heidelberg, Data Protection Committee, Meyerhofstraße 1, 69117 Heidelberg, Germany.

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