

Will I be notified of my test results?

If you want to, you can collect your test results from the laboratory after about two weeks.

Stop by the study center during opening hours, and a medical doctor will inform you of your test results.

If you are hepatitis B, C or D positive, next steps and your treatment options will be discussed, and an appointment can be made for you with a medical doctor.

If you do not have health insurance in Germany, an appointment will be made for you at the Clearing House. There it will be checked whether you can get a health insurance.

What do I get out of participating?

- ▶ You will receive interesting information about hepatitis B, C, D.
- ▶ If you wish, you can pick up your test results at the study center 14 days after being tested.
- ▶ If a test is positive, a doctor will discuss the results with you and advise you on the next steps.
- ▶ All participants will receive 10 euros.

Where and when can I participate?

From May 4 to June 16, 2023 at the study center
in the Local Health Department Frankfurt

Opening hours:

Monday	8:00 – 13:00
Tuesday	16:00 – 20:00
Wednesday	16:00 – 20:00
Thursday	8:00 – 13:00
Friday	8:00 – 17:00

Address:

Zeil 5, 2nd floor
Breite Gasse 28, first floor
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If you have any questions, please
feel free to contact the study team:

E-Mail: HepMig@rki.de

Tel.: 069 212 44130

- No registration required
- Language mediation is provided!

More
information:



Study Information

The HepMig study is being conducted by the Robert Koch Institute in cooperation with the Local Health Department of the City of Frankfurt.

The study is funded by the German Federal Ministry of Health.

What are hepatitis B, C and D?

Hepatitis B, C and D are infections caused by viruses.

Infection may cause fatigue and abdominal pain, and sometimes jaundice.

After many years, the infections can lead to liver cirrhosis and liver cancer, and potentially death. The hepatitis viruses can be transmitted through contact with infected blood, during unprotected sex, or from mother to her child during childbirth (if the mother is positive).

The infections can be treated successfully, and vaccination protects against hepatitis B and D.

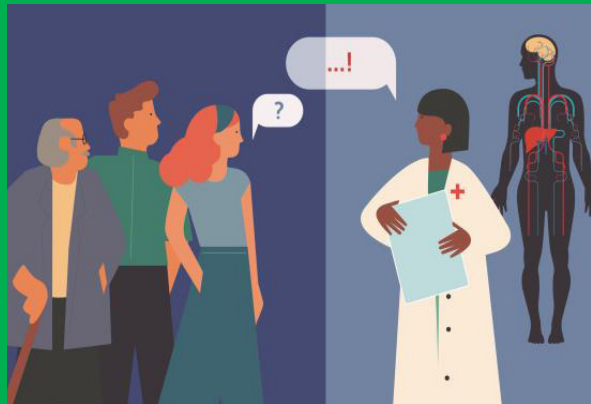
What is the HepMig study about?

The HepMig study is a study of viral hepatitis B, C and D.

Viral hepatitis is particularly common in some countries, including Romania and Turkey. The HepMig study will look into the frequency of viral hepatitis infections among people born in Romania or Turkey, and also their access to health care services in Germany.

What is the aim of the HepMig study?

The aim is to improve access to prevention and care for migrants from Romania and Turkey.



Who can participate?

- ✓ You are at least 18 years of age.
- ✓ You were born in Turkey or Romania
- ✓ You have not yet participated in this study.

Then you can participate in the study.

Participation in the study is free of charge and voluntary. All information that we process as part of this study will be treated as strictly confidential.

What happens in the HepMig study?

Blood sampling:

A person from the study team will draw blood from your finger or vein and send it to a laboratory. There, the blood is tested for hepatitis B, C and D.

Questionnaire:

We also ask you to answer questions about your health, access to health care services, and possible risk factors. You can do this on a tablet or on paper. This will take 15-20 minutes.

The questionnaire is sent online in encrypted form or in a sealed envelope to the RKI.

Is participation voluntary?

Yes, participation is completely voluntary. There will be no negative consequences for you if you do not want to participate.

If you want to participate, please provide your written consent via by signing an informed consent form.

If you later decide that you do not wish to participate, you can withdraw your consent at any time without giving any explanations or experiencing any negative consequences.