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IOCB PRAGUE

# Meeting with Group Leaders

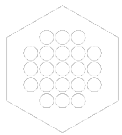
March 26, 2021

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# Agenda

- CAS Evaluation of IOCB
- Anonymous attacks on IOCB tech transfer
- European Investment Fund
- Coronavirus testing at IOCB
- Miscellanea



# CAS Evaluation of IOCB for 2014-2019

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- Two commissions:
- **CHEMICAL SCIENCES**  
(Chair - Bengt Nordén, Chalmers University of Technology)
- **BIOSCIENCES**  
(Chair - Bryan Cullen, Duke University)

# Clusters

Slide number

PHYS I: Computational and Theoretical Chemistry	<b>Rulíšek</b> , Hobza, Havlas, Jungwirth, Lazar
PHYS II: Instrumentation methods	<b>Cvačka</b> , Bouř, Kašička, Šaman
CHEM I: Biorganic and medicinal chemistry	<b>Hocek</b> , Janeba, Nencka, Vrábel, Majer
CHEM II: Organic and material chemistry	<b>Starý</b> , Michl, Jahn, Beier, (Cigler)
BIO I: : Biochemistry and Molecular Biology I (NPU I members)	<b>Konvalinka</b> , Bouřa, Pichová, Mareš, Mertlíková, Stříšovský, Weber
BIO II:: Biochemistry and Molecular Biology II	<b>Řezáčová</b> , Curtis, Hanus, Jiráček, Maletínská, Vondrášek

Supporting team: Alena Drda-Morávková, Václav Kašička, Iva Pichová

# CAS Evaluation of IOCB for 2014-2019

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**A great Thank you to the Organizing Committee  
and the speakers !**

# Anonymous attacks on tech transfer

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- IOCB Prague, IOCB Tech and i&i Prague together with some named persons are currently facing defamation and accusations on internet regarding financial matters, tech transfer and plans with EIF
- Attacks are disseminated through a dedicated website and Twitter account, the author(s) behind them remain anonymous
- Probably there has been a criminal complaint filed against unknown perpetrator in this matter (formally we have not been informed yet)
- The situation is being monitored closely by the IOCB / IOCB Tech / i&i Prague representatives, actions are coordinated also with CAS representatives and legal advisors
- Publicizing of this matter can be expected in a matter of days, we are ready to openly cooperate with journalists/media and answer their questions
- An official criminal complaint has been filed by IOCB Prague against an unknown person
- As a reaction to the above mentioned calumnies, dedicated webpage regarding IOCB-related tech transfer, funding and plans including FAQ is under preparation by our Communications

# Anonymous attacks on tech transfer

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- Attacking the IOCB concept and organization of applied research as a natural extension of high quality basic research
- IOCB is actively countering this hostile activity
- We have full support of the Czech Academy of Sciences

# i&i Prague: Collaboration with EIF?



## The European Investment Fund (EIF)

- is a **European Union agency** for the provision of finance to SMEs (including Spin-offs)
- Owners: **European Investment Bank, European Commission**, and others
- **EIF co-invested in CD3 centre (KU Leuven) 8, 16 and 30 m EUR** in recent years

EIF **expressed interest** in discussion of collaboration with i&i Prague/IOCB.

There is **no EIF collaboration** in CEE (Postcommunist block) by now.

## EIF collaborations with academic institutions



CD3

CENTRE FOR  
DRUG DESIGN  
AND DISCOVERY



UCL TECHNOLOGY  
FUND



ATLANTIC BRIDGE  
UNIVERSITY BRIDGE FUND



KAROLINSKA  
DEVELOPMENT

IST  KHAN-  
cube





# i&i Biotech Fund I

**i&i Prague**  
inventions | investments



**Fund size:** € 40M – 60M

**Fund term:** 5 + 5 (+3) years

**Investment size:** € 0.5M – 2.0M

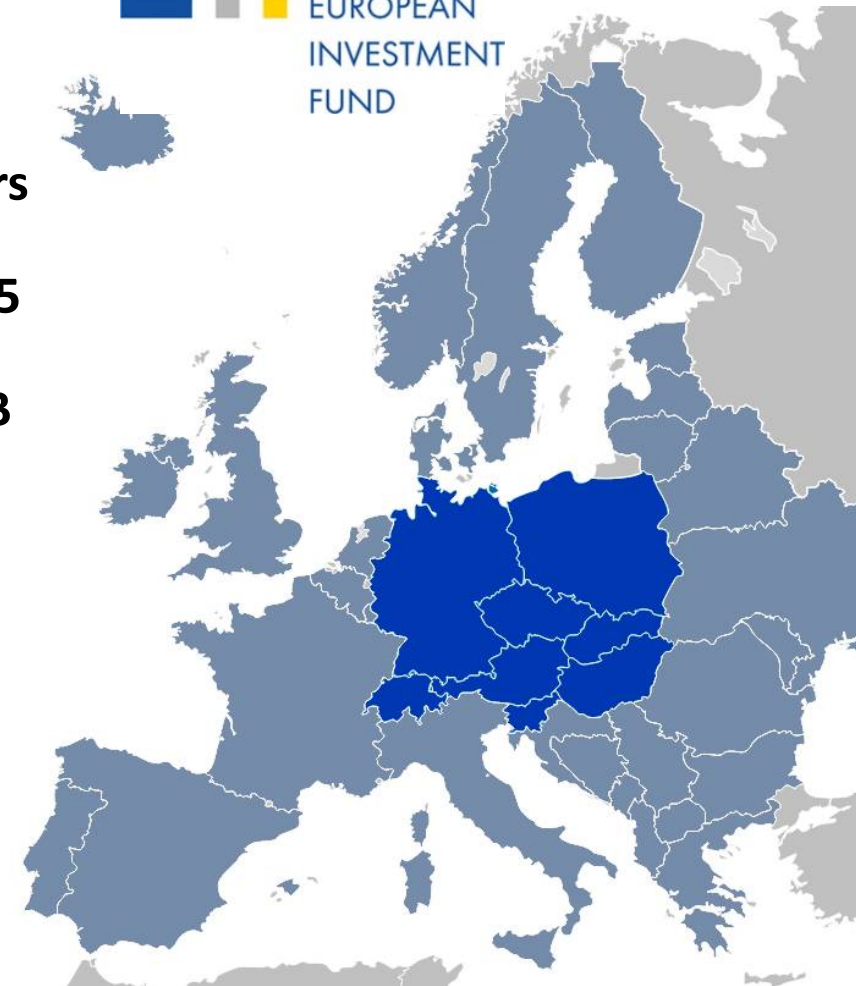
**No. of investments:** 15 - 25

**Stage of investment:** Seed and Series A, possible follow-up in Series B

**Geography /Regional approach:** Main focus on **Czechia** and **Central Europe** (AT, CZ, DE, HU, PL, SK), other EU countries are optional

**Projects Scope:** Life Sciences/Biotech projects:

Drug Discovery, Diagnostics, Medical Devices, Life Sciences Tools



# Compulsory SARS-CoV-2 Tests

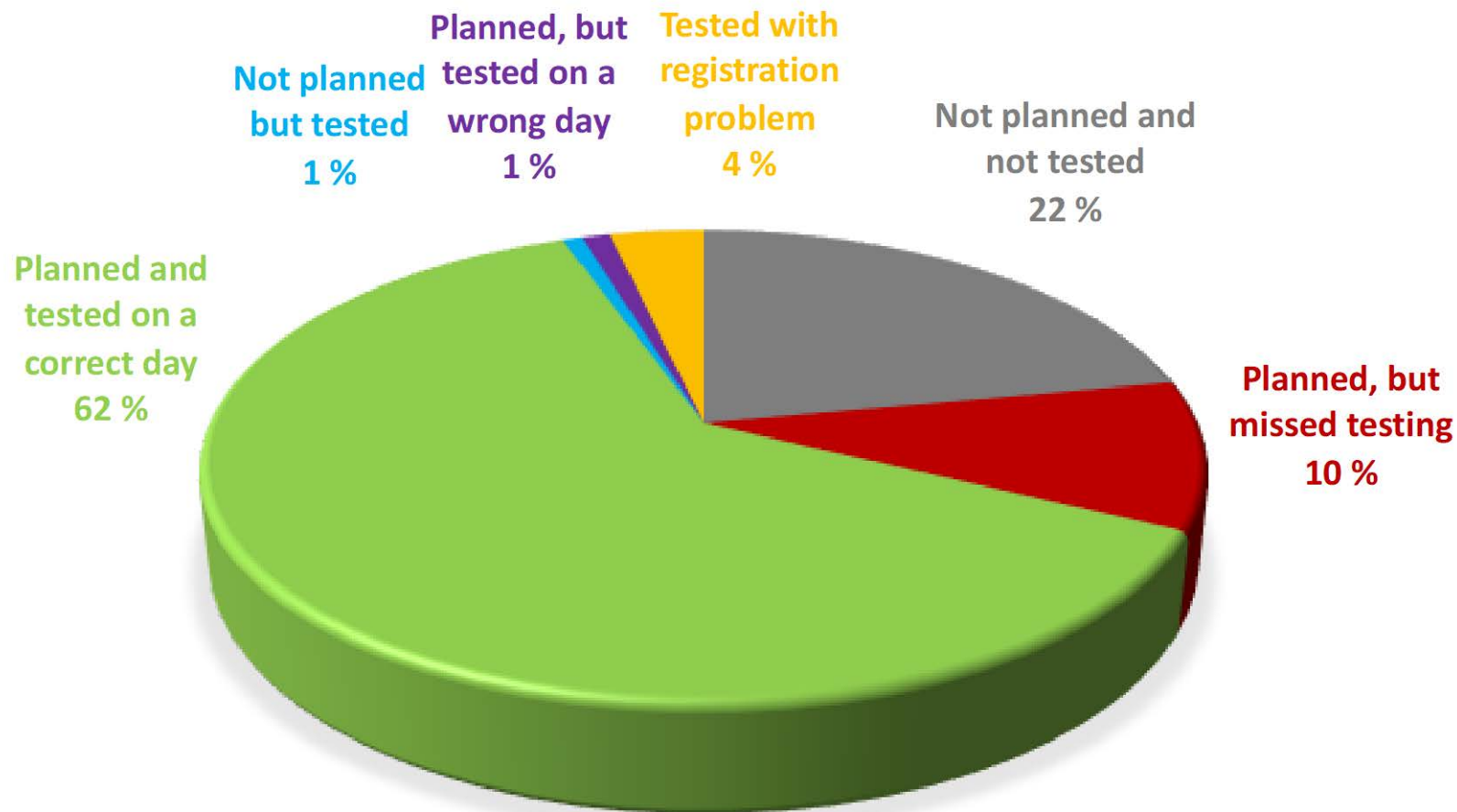
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- All IOCB employees who work at the institute must regularly undergo tests for SARS-CoV-2 presence (once a week on a specific day)
- Not applicable for people on leave, working from home or on sick leave
- Organized by HR (Šárka Kněžická)
- Kits from Diana Biotechnologies, analyzed by Elphogene
- Self-collected saliva samples must be labeled with unique ID codes received from Elphogene and placed in the Elphogene collection box
- Two weeks of testing completed, level of positivity was <0.5%
- GLs are responsible for having their group members regularly tested. People who have not been tested with a negative result within last 7 days cannot enter IOCB (Government's regulation applies).

# Testing structure – Week 1

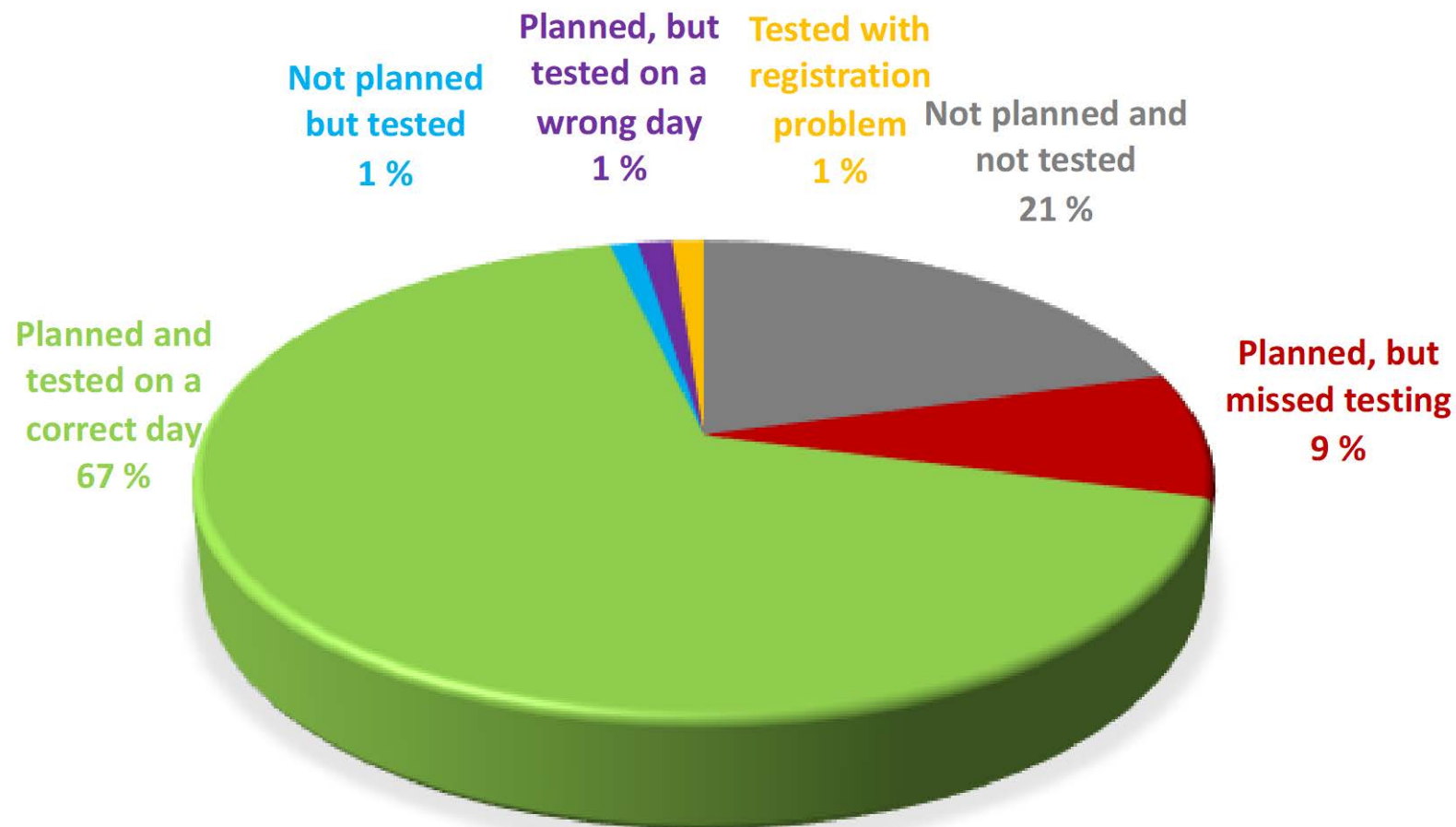
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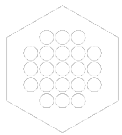
- 621 employees were tested
- 3 employees had a positive result, the total positivity was 0.48%



# Testing structure – Week 2

- 654 employees were tested
- 2 employees had a positive result, the total positivity was 0.31%





# Miscellanea

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# New IOCB Parking Rules

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## New system from March 1, 2021

- only registered vehicles of permit holders will be allowed to enter and park
- new applications will be required and permits will be allocated from scratch
- details announced in February

# Mtgs w GLs - 2021 Schedule



- January 22
- February 19
- March 26
- April 16
- May 14
- June 18
- September 10
- October 15
- November 12
- December 10

Always (almost) on Fridays at 10:00 am in the Director's Boardroom A4.01