

Resource Summary Report

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Tissue Access for Patient Benefit

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Resource Information

URL: <http://www.ucl.ac.uk/tapb/>

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Description: We aim to facilitate the pathway for access, storage, use and transfer of human organs, cells and tissue between clinical centers within UCL Partners, academic groups in UCL, other universities, hospitals, medical researcher and biotechnology companies, to enhance the ability for researchers to access the materials they need. Alongside this, researchers will be able to exchange information and access guides on regulatory, ethics and practical issues concerning access, transfer and use of this type of material. These guides will be video and documents format, based on talks at organized events given by experts in the relevant fields. All of this information will be accessible on a website that seeks to link groups within UCL and attract attention from the wider world through social media and expansion of existing contacts. Our vision is to develop a centralized human tissue provision and utilization service for academic and commercial researchers UCL has the highest concentration of biomedical researchers in Europe. As part of this, UCL has numerous licensed biobanks and is associated with many research intensive hospitals in North London. The role of a biobank is to prepare and hold human tissue samples in for use by medical researchers to help delivery new treatments. Hospitals can also provide human tissue for research by utilizing waste human tissue taken as part of surgery or diagnostic procedures, but is normally incinerated. The researchers using the human tissue could be working within academic laboratories in UK universities and institutions or as part of commercial companies. Researchers currently cannot easily access human tissue to meet the demands of their research, often due to the long ethical, regulatory and contractual processes. However, with the enormous UCL biobanking and research Hospital resources, UCL could be a leading academic institution in providing human tissue for medical research within the UK and internationally. Our vision is to develop a centralized human tissue provision and utilization service for academic and commercial researchers. This relies on creating an overarching infrastructure, to consolidate information on disparate human tissue resources around UCL, and (where possible) gain centralized ethical and regulatory and contractual approval for use of the tissue. Funding the infrastructure will rely on a cost recovery model

for a per sample basis. As a result the time needed to obtain tissue for research will be dramatically reduced, whilst providing a simple costing model for obtaining human tissue. This will make human tissue procurement much more efficient for end users.

Abbreviations: TAPb, TAPB

Synonyms: UCL - Tissue Access for Patient Benefit

Resource Type: topical portal, data or information resource, portal

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Ratings and Alerts

No rating or validation information has been found for Tissue Access for Patient Benefit.

No alerts have been found for Tissue Access for Patient Benefit.

Data and Source Information

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Usage and Citation Metrics

We have not found any literature mentions for this resource.