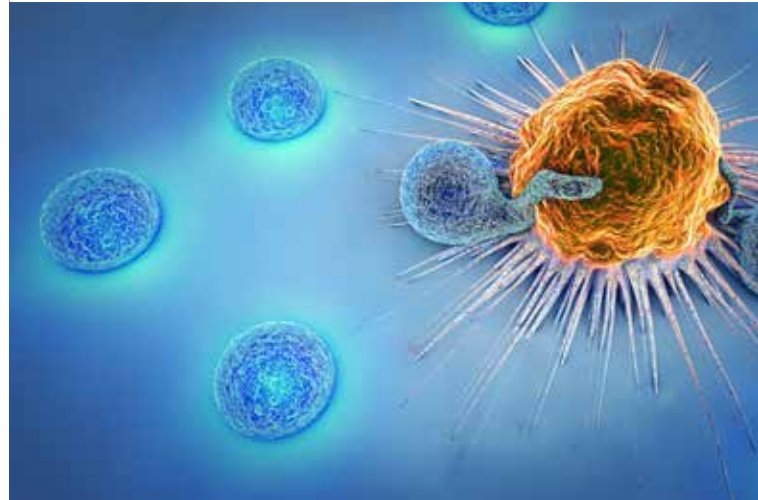


Stem Cell or Lymphocyte

Testing, Storage and Discarding
of Collected Cells Information to
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Please read this document carefully as it contains important information about your upcoming stem cell or lymphocyte collection procedure. These cells may be collected from your bone marrow or from your blood. You will be required to complete and sign a consent form for the collection procedure.

The purpose of this consent for the testing; storage and discarding of stem cells which will be explained to you by your treating physician is for the use of your stem cells for research purposes (this is optional).

Please be informed that you have the right to change your mind at any time, including after you have signed your consent for the testing, discarding of collected cells and storage.

You will be requested to have your blood tested for infections including Hepatitis, Syphilis, HTLV and HIV. If any of these tests are positive you will be informed and further tests, counselling and clinical follow-ups will be arranged as necessary.

You will be informed that fresh or frozen samples of your blood and cells may be used for the purposes of quality control/monitoring, public health monitoring purposes, service development and/or future testing relevant to the quality of your stored cells.

You will therefore be requested to consent to your cells being discarded according to the National Center for Cancer Care and Research policy and guidelines when they are no longer required or prove unsuitable for clinical use.

Your cells may be frozen and stored until required and the need for continued storage will be kept under review.

You be giving permission for your personal information to be held on NCCCR–Hamad Medical Corporation –Qatar and transplant databases and for NCCCR staff to share this information with other healthcare professionals and obtain other information when this is essential for medical purposes only.

Your treating physician will explain to you that the waste products generated and donation(s) are no longer needed but may be used for research purposes. You will be aware that there is no personal financial benefit to you from any research undertaken and waive all rights to any registered rights, therefore any waste products remaining after the processing of your cells may be used anonymously for service development, ethically approved research or education.