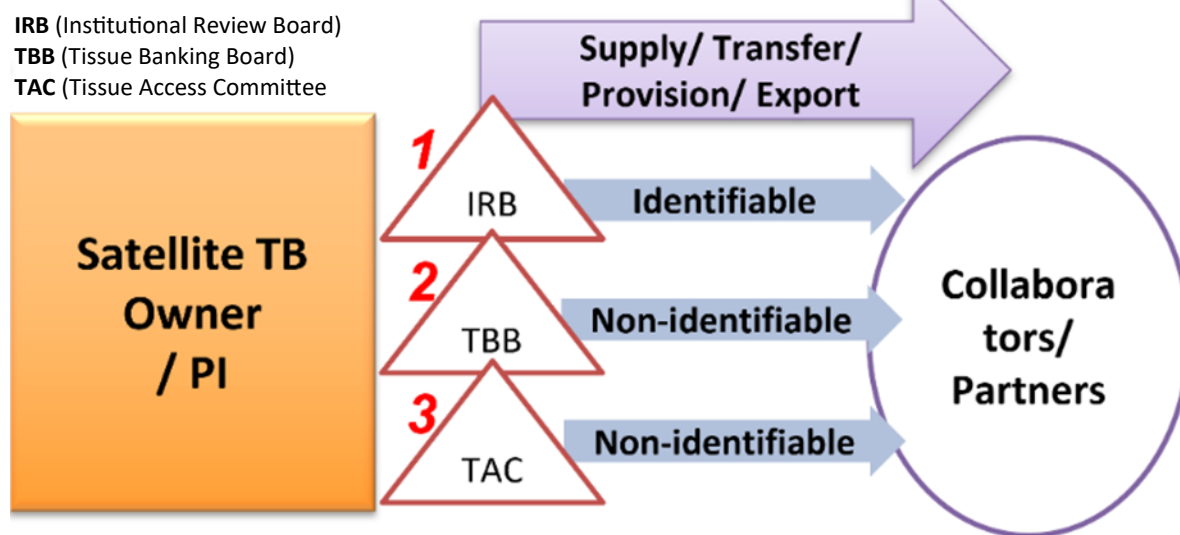




IRB 360 NEWSLETTER

Connecting Research with Ethics

Planning to supply or transfer **Human Tissues** to NTU/non-NTU **Collaborators** for use in research?



As required by the **Human Tissue Framework (HTF)** of the Human Biomedical Research Act (HBRA), Researchers must ensure the following before supplying **Human Tissues**:

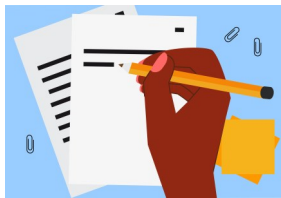
Individually Identifiable Tissues

- a) An **IRB ①** has approved the proposed research that the tissue would be used for; *and*

Non-Identifiable Tissues

- a) **NTU-TBB ②**, or a **TAC ③** if available, has approved the proposed research based on scientific merit; *and*

- b) **documentary evidence*** is provided by the recipient that they will use the tissue in accordance with the conditions/restrictions specified as part of the donors' consent.



NEW Updated MTA Template

Use the latest ***Material Transfer Agreement (MTA) template** by LSO (updated clause 3.3) to fulfil HBRA's requirement for "documentary evidence". The MTA must be signed by **both** the recipient and institutional signatory.

Important Note

Export of Identifiable Tissues

If you intend to export individually-identifiable tissue out from Singapore, **explicit consent** must be obtained from the donor prior to the export.

Release of Non-Identifiable Tissues

To obtain non-identifiable tissues from a Tissue Bank (TB) Owner/PI, Tissue Requestors can complete a **Tissue Release Form** and submit it to the NTU-TBB via **ServiceNow** (Research Services > Human Tissue Withdrawal). The TB Owner/PI is to retain a copy of the final completed signed form from the requestor.

The Centre for Biomedical Ethics (NUS) will be conducting a free research ethics online workshop about **"New Research Practices in the Wake of COVID-19: Remote Consent and Remote Data Gathering"** on 8 Jul 2022 (Fri), 9am-1pm, Zoom.

To register or for more information, click here or go to bit.ly/3wJyiOB

For enquires about this workshop, please email shapes@nus.edu.sg



ANNOUNCEMENT

If you are unable to access ERMP because **'Your account is not valid or Access denied'** submit the online **User Access Request Form** using your NTU/NIE email to request for an account/access.



Stay tuned for our next newsletter to learn more!

To subscribe to our mailing list and for further queries, please write to IRB@ntu.edu.sg

Brought to you by:
Research Integrity and Ethics Office (RIEO)

Refer to our website for more information on **IRB Guidelines** [here](#).