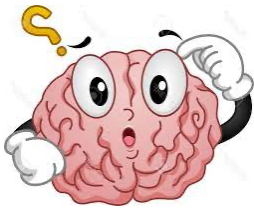


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Biospecimen Information

What are biospecimens?



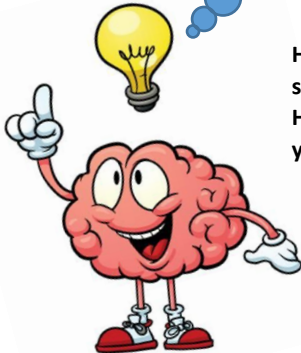
Biospecimens are biological materials from people. Examples of biospecimens: hair, saliva, blood, urine, and teeth. We are only interested in hair and saliva for this study!

What happens to my saliva after it is collected?



Your saliva sample is immediately transported to a freezer to preserve hormones and other information. Samples are frozen until we are ready to analyze them. Saliva can tell us a lot about what is going on in your body!

What happens to my hair after it is collected?



Hair samples will be stored in a dry and secure place in our lab until we analyze them. Hair can help us look at things that were in your body up to 3 months ago!

Will I have a bald spot?



Our staff cuts a small amount of hair from the back of the head in a spot where you won't even notice it. Your hair will be just as beautiful as it was before! Hair can be very important to different people and to different cultures. We understand and respect that. We will never cut your hair without your permission.

What if I don't want to do something?



You can say "no" to anything at any time!
You don't have to do anything you are not comfortable with.
You can change your mind at any time!