Process for obtaining tissue samples  
IU Simon Cancer Center (IUSCC)

1. Visit the web site http://www.cancer.iu.edu/research/facilities/tissue_procur/ note there are four other pages of information (see left-side banner listing; services, policies & procedures, request for services, and contact).
2. Complete the request for services form http://www.cancer.iu.edu/research/facilities/tissue_procur/captcha.php (note that tissues must be going to an approved IRB protocol).
3. A technician from IUSCC will contact the researcher within 24 hours after receipt of request to discuss the request for samples.
4. IUSCC does not prospectively collect blood.
5. A material usage agreement is completed.
6. There is a charge for tissue procurement, fluid collection, and chart review. Please see http://www.cancer.iu.edu/research/facilities/tissue_procur/policies.php for this information. (Please note that Notre Dame is a non-IUSCC member).
7. Samples are released de-identified. Investigators must indicate what information is desired on each sample at the time of the request. Some data points are standard (pathology, stage, grade).
8. If the samples are available “in-house”, they are shipped within 5 days.
9. If not currently available, IUSCC will work with researchers to provide best estimate timeframe, etc.
10. Once the samples are released, they “belong” to the investigator.

For more information, or for any questions, please contact:

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