## THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG LI KA SHING FACULTY OF MEDICINE

## **Core Facilities**

## **Central Tissue Bank for Cancer**

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Website	http://www.med.hku.hk/ccr/
Role - Service and/or Research Collaboration?	Service and research collaboration
If for service, what kinds of service are provided?	The Central Tissue Bank will collect and store surgical (tumour) tissues and blood samples of humans. DNA, RNA or protein extracted from these stored tissues and blood samples will be made available to all Faculty staff for their research use.
Charges for service, if any and booking method	Tissue will be provided without charge unless there is a special request on processing of the tissue. Booking should be made through the Research Officer after the request is accepted by the Tissue Bank Committee.
If for research collaboration, what is the research focus?	Cancer research of various types.
How would this core facility help Faculty members in their research?	Although patient tissues and blood are kept by several departments in the Faculty, such stocks may not be accessible to other researchers. With a central stock, researchers will enjoy equal opportunity of access to the tissues and blood stored.
When should a PI approach this core facility?	PIs who want to use cancer tissues for their research projects are welcome to contact the Research Officer or Technician in-charge provided sufficient tissues of the respective types of cancer have been accumulated. Requests for tissues with adequate justification and a brief research proposal should be submitted to the Research Officer together with research protocol and the request will be vetted by a Tissue Bank Management Committee to decide whether the request should be accepted, subject to availability of tissues.
Additional information	