

Samples are saved in tissue archive

You may need to provide a sample when you are examined in healthcare. Most samples taken in healthcare are destroyed after the analysis is completed. Some samples may be saved in a biobank for your future care.

1 Samples taken in Sweden

According to the Biobank act (Biobankslagen), saved samples may be used for your own care, care for relatives in hereditary diseases, training of healthcare professionals, development and quality assurance of treatment methods, procedures and products, identification of deceased persons and for research. All research must be approved by the Swedish Ethical Review Authority and sometimes also by the Medical Products Agency (Läkemedelsverket).

For more information, see **Biobank Sveriges webbplats**.

2 Samples taken in UK

Inify Laboratories complies with the requirements of HTA (Human tissue act) and other relevant laws in the United Kingdom. The patients consent is of highest priority.

According to HTA the tissues saved in a diagnostic tissue bank is used for the patients own care and treatment.

3 You can change how samples are used

You always have the right to limit what your saved sample can be used for.

If you do not want your samples to be saved, they can be destroyed. It is important to keep in mind that a destroyed sample is gone forever. Therefore, think carefully before you decide.

3.1 For samples taken in Sweden

You can change what the saved tests can be used for by logging in to <u>1177.se</u> and submit a request via "Consent sample in biobank" or you can download forms at <u>Biobank Sveriges</u> <u>webbplats.</u>

The completed form is sent to the region where the sample was taken. Addresses can be found at *Biobank Sveriges webbplats*.



3.2 For samples taken in UK

Contact the clinic where the sample was taken, where you can fill in and sign a form to restrict what the samples can be used for or having them destroyed.

The clinic will then forward your request to Inify Laboratories.