UMMS Biorepository Registration

This decision tree represents UMMS policy for registration of biorepositories:

- funded by a UMMS Department, and/or
- operating in UMMS space, and/or
- directed by faculty with an appointment in the Medical School.

See UMMS Regulatory Affairs “Tissue Sample Policy” Section II, C.

Other repositories not subject to the UMMS policy may use this decision tree to help evaluate whether an REP and oversight committee may be useful for a biorepository or data repository.

Will biospecimens be catalogued and stored for possible future additional use by anyone, including the study team?

- NO: Repository registration is not required. HUM application suffices for the use of biospecimens for a specified research aim.
- YES: Repository registration is required in eResearch through the REP application.

May bio-specimens be used by others outside the department or beyond the original collaborators?

- NO: Oversight committee is not required.
- YES: Oversight committee must be established in accordance with requirements at UMMS Regulatory Affairs “Tissue Sample Policy” Section II, C and Section III, C.