# NATIONAL GIST TISSUE BANK A RESOURCE FOR THE "GLOBAL" GIST RESEARCH COMMUNITY

# WE EXIST TO HELP GIST RESEARCH PROGRESS FASTER...

#### The National GIST Tissue Bank (NGTB)

has been collecting a variety of rare paediatric and adult GIST biospecimens including fresh, frozen, paraffin embedded tissue, blood samples and clinical data since it started in 2013.

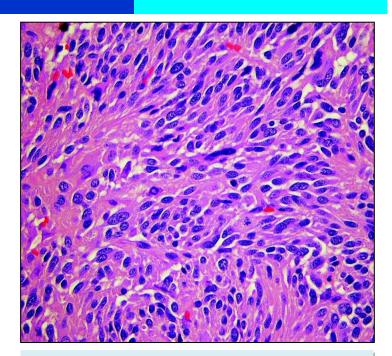
# The National GIST Tissue Bank is based at The Royal Marsden, London, UK.

#### How does the Tissue Bank Operate?

Specialist tissue managers coordinate the collection, storage and distribution of GIST samples according to strict procedures and ethical guidelines, led by **Professor Robin Jones** and supported by GIST patient advocate Jayne Bressington.

Working in collaboration with pathologists, medical oncologists, surgeons and other hospital personnel, specially trained staff obtain patient consent, collect samples and assemble pseudonymised clinical data about each donor and their corresponding specimens.

- The National GIST Tissue Bank is a REC approved Research Tissue Biobank which allows collection from NHS GIST patients of all ages and distribution to researchers world-wide.
- **Biospecimens are collected under an HTA research licence** specifically to be made available for research.
- A fully informed consent protocol with the necessary forms is supplied to researchers upon request.
- Researchers applying for tissue will need to inform their R&D departments that collection is intended.
- There is a charge for the retrieval, processing and transport of samples, however these are agreed under a Materials Transfer Agreement.



# TO APPLY FOR GIST TISSUE SAMPLES FOR YOUR RESEARCH PROJECT ...

Please complete the application form that can be found here:

https://www.gistcancer.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/GIST-Biobank-Application-for-samples-access-form-V3.2-14.07.23-003.docx

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