

	USE OF DISCARDED HUMAN TISSUE			
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In studies where discarded human tissue (including blood, excretions, and teeth) that has not been collected for research purposes is received by the investigator with none of the 18 HIPAA identifiers, and there is no code linking the tissue to the person from whom the tissue is obtained, the investigation does not qualify as human subjects research. This includes protocols involving the collection, use and/or banking of de-identified discarded tissue. As for all work involving interaction with humans, information from humans, or in this case tissue from humans, investigators must request a determination from the IRB Chair as to whether the project meets the definition of human subjects research requiring IRB approval and oversight.