

We kindly ask for your cooperation in creating  
“The Future of Medicine” for protection  
of the people’s health



We appreciate your cooperation to use your medical  
information for research and development purposes

Osaka University Hospital has started  
the Databank Project to create “The Future of Medicine”



OSAKA UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL  
DATABANK PROJECT

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# Our request for permission to use your medical information

**The purpose of this consent form is to obtain your consent to usage of your medical information\*<sup>1</sup> by this hospital for a wide range of medical research, as well as for R&D and commercialization of pharmaceuticals, medical devices, and other products\*<sup>2</sup>**

\*<sup>1</sup> See P3–P4 for more information.

\*<sup>2</sup> See P6 “How data in the Databank will be used and applied” for more information.

**In charge of this project:**

**Norio Nonomura**

Principal investigator and Director of  
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**We sincerely ask the patients who visit our hospital for cooperation.**

## Content for which we ask for agreement

Osaka University Hospital is working on medical research and development (R&D) that will achieve better medical care to everyone. This medical R&D ranges across a variety of areas, from identifying the causes of illness to developing new pharmaceuticals and devices for treatment, all of which are essential to providing better medical care.

In recent years, in order to conduct research with the latest scientific technologies, it has become essential for the hospital to join together with external research institutions, private companies, and government agencies both in Japan and overseas.

For this purpose, we ask for your consent to provide your medical information to third parties such as private companies, national government agencies, local governments, universities, and research institutions under strictly-controlled conditions for such usage and applications.

Please read this consent form carefully and decide on your own whether or not to consent.

The consent form that will be given to you.

Please check & sign the consent form. Then submit the form into the collection box at the counter.

For more details, please read the following sections and the project's webpage.




### **Osaka University Hospital Databank Project**

<https://www.med.osaka-u.ac.jp/pub/hp-aim/databank/en/>

# Medical information subject to be used in the Databank


This includes all medical information that this hospital has collected about you in the past and will collect in the future.

This does not include any personal information such as the name, address, phone number, or email address of you or your relatives or partner.



## Information to Be Provided

Patient's basic information	Age, gender, etc.
Medical history	Medical history, medical examination history, diagnoses, etc.
Test results	Blood tests, urine tests, electrocardiography (ECG), pathologic examination, other test results
Imaging diagnosis	X-Ray, CT, MRI, and ultrasound examination, endoscopy, angiography, and other images and reports
Treatments	Details of medical treatments (including treatment plans, prognoses, complications, and recurrence)
Information on medical service fees	Detailed description of medical treatment procedures provided to an individual patient -including consultation and examination - by health insurance treatment system based on the Diagnosis Procedure Combination (DPC) information, and the information on medical expenses covered by public insurance system.
Other electronic medical records	This includes medical records input in audio form by medical staff



## Information Not to Be Provided

Name, address, phone number, e-mail address, or other contact information of you or people related to you (family, relatives, partners, or friends)
Insurer number and Insurance identification numbers, face or fingerprint information for biometrics, detailed genetic information, or other information that could be used to identify you



## How data in the Databank will be used and applied

Proposals for R&D related to collected medical information will be accepted from both within and outside of Osaka University Hospital. In such cases, based on applicable regulatory guidelines, access for data will be permitted following the required procedures including examinations by the Data Access Review Committee.

The members of the Data Access Review Committee are composed of doctors from Osaka University Hospital and other hospitals, legal and ethics specialists, medical information specialists, and general citizens. When providing information to other universities, corporations, or other outside entities, we will check the systems and other matters at the receiving entity, conclude an agreement, take other suitable steps to construct an Osaka University Hospital control system and protect patient information, and continue to monitor after provision of the information to ensure there is no improper usage such as that outside of the agreed-upon purpose. Medical information shall be used under these strong controls of information, ethics, technical evaluations, and other matters.

For details, please refer to the following URL.



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## Steps to protect patients' information when data is provided

When providing data to an external entity, maximum consideration shall be given to preventing individuals from being identified. Any personal information, including the patient's name and address, will not be provided to an external entity. Because research is conducted with strict protection of privacy, the possibility is extremely small that the patient would actually suffer disadvantage due to leakage of personal information, etc., but in the unlikely case that it does occur, we promise to respond with all sincerity.

## Observing the Act on the Protection of Personal Information and other laws

Patient medical information that is collected, managed, and used based on the Osaka University Hospital Databank Project shall be handled appropriately in accordance with the Act on the Protection of Personal Information as well as with Ethical Guidelines for Medical and Biological Research Involving Human Subjects, and other regulations. Even if the patient does not consent to this project, the patient's medical information may still be used in accordance with laws and regulations.

## If you wish to withdraw your consent

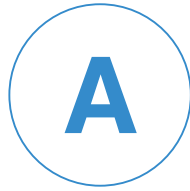
After you have given consent, you may withdraw it at any time. Even if consent is withdrawn, past results and presented materials which utilized your information cannot be erased; however, your medical information will not be used after consent is withdrawn.

If you wish to withdraw your consent, please contact your doctor or the Contact Office.



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## **Q What is the Osaka University Hospital Databank?**

**A** This Databank Project aims to collect medical information (screening history, electronic medical records, tests, diagnostic imaging, prescriptions, medical receipt information, DPC information, etc.) of patients at Osaka University Hospital with the consent of the patients, and utilize it for the development of treatments, pharmaceuticals, and diagnostic methods.

## **Q Why is your cooperation needed?**

**A** Development using the latest artificial intelligence (AI) and medical-related R&D that contributes to more people requires large volumes of medical information

It has become essential to conduct R&D together with external research institutions, private companies, and government agencies both in Japan and overseas that possess the latest technologies.

However, we cannot list specific countries/regions and organizations at this point as there are possibilities at where and who will utilize your medical information.



**Q What kind of research and development will the medical information be used in?**

- A** You can find out how your medical information is being used for research and development at the dedicated website of the Osaka University Hospital Databank.

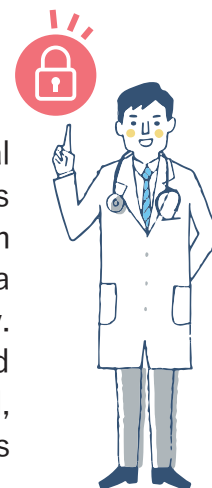


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**Q Will my personal information be protected?**

- A** Osaka University Hospital pays close attention to the handling of medical records. Any personal information including patient's name and address will not be provided to an external entity. Personally identifiable information is deleted (or replaced), and maximum consideration is given for the data not to be personally identified when providing data to the external entity. In addition, the information management system, purpose of use, and other matters at the entities receiving information are strictly examined, and rules are in place to ensure that information cannot be provided unless certain standards are satisfied.



**Q What information is to be provided?  
What information is not to be provided?**

- A** The medical information to be provided varies depending on the application. Not all information is provided uniformly. Only the information necessary for the research and development will be provided. For more details, please refer to Page 4.

Please contact our Contact Office below  
if you have any questions.

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