

As a healthy woman, you can contribute to breast cancer research.

The Susan G. Komen for the Cure® Tissue Bank at the IU Simon Cancer Center

was created in response to a need by scientists carrying out breast cancer research: understanding what is abnormal in breast cancer is slowed down by our lack of knowledge about what is normal. By collecting tissue from women with and without breast cancer, or with a variety of benign breast conditions, scientists will be able to determine differences which ultimately could lead to a better understanding of the breast cancer process.

At the Tissue Bank

our most valuable specimens are healthy breast tissue.

To Participate individuals must:

- Be female 18 yrs or older
- Have the ability to understand and the willingness to sign an informed consent. (No signs of dementia or any psychiatric conditions that would not allow the understanding or rendering of informed consent)
- Be willing to give a few hours of their time to complete a questionnaire and donate a small amount of breast tissue
- Not be allergic to local anesthetics (numbing medicine)
- Not be receiving a therapeutic blood thinner (This does not include aspirin.)
- Not have breast implants or have had a breast reduction

Benefits of participating

There will be no immediate, direct medical benefit to you or subjects who currently have breast cancer. We hope the information learned from this study will benefit subjects with breast cancer in the future.

For more information

visit our website www.komentissuebank.iu.edu or contact Pat Mitchum at Indiana University via phone 317-274-2366 or email pamitchu@iupui.edu.

The principal investigators for this study are Anna Maria Storniolo, MD and Susan Clare, MD of the Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center at 535 Barnhill Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46202.

Next Collection Event **Saturday,** Date/Location: **August 7, 2010**

IU Simon Cancer Center
1030 W. Michigan
2nd Floor Women's Clinic

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