

**Manchester Metropolitan University**

**Risk Assessment**

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| **Assessment Ref No:** RA-001\_V1.1**Assessed By:** Mr. Garry Pheasey(Technical Services Manager & PD) **Validated By:** Hans Degens (Designated Individual)Hans Degens signature **Date of Assessment:** 08/07/2022**Review Date:** 08/07/2024 |
| **Location: John Dalton Tower****Activity:** Loss of Relevant Material Under The Human Tissue Act 2004 |
| **Overall Assessment of the Risk of Injury or Ill Health after Control Measures have been Implemented:** [x]  **LOW** [ ]  **MEDIUM** [ ]  **HIGH** |
| **Other Risk Assessments Related to this Activity:** Freezer storage failure (RA-002) & Security Breach On University Premises (RA-004) |

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| **What are the hazards?** | **Who might be harmed and how?** | **What are you already doing to control the risk?** | **Risk** | **Is any further action needed?** |
| Loss of material contravenes the good will of donors to donate their tissue and impacts negatively on research.  | Staff, students and donors | * All fridges, freezers and cupboards storing Human Tissue are always kept in a locked storage area.
* Keys to storage locations are kept in a locked combination storage box. This can only be unlocked using a four-digit code, available to registered users only.
* All relevant material samples are logged by the responsible Principal Investigator onto ItemTracker.
 | **LOW RISK****Acceptable** |  |
| Non-Compliance with Human Tissue Act 2004 |  | * All staff and students using relevant material must successfully complete on–line training on the HTA as provided by the MRC (link: <https://byglearning.co.uk/mrcrsc-lms/course/index.php?categoryid=1>). This should be renewed every two years.
* The University has an HTA MMU (Manchester Metropolitan University) Code of Practice located in the Human Tissue SharePoint.
* The University has a suite of Standard Operating Procedures connected with compliance to the HTA located in the Human Tissue SharePoint.
* Principal Investigators are expected to train new staff and students in best practice to comply with the Human Tissue Act.
 | **LOW RISK****Trivial** |  |

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| **Severity of the Consequence** |
| **Likelihood of incident occurring** | **RISK ESTIMATOR**Assess the likelihood of the incident and the severity of the consequence | **LOW RISK****Slightly** **harmful** | **MEDIUM RISK****Moderately harmful** | **HIGH RISK****Extremely harmful** |
| **LOW RISK POTENTIAL****Unlikely** | **LOW RISK****Trivial** | **LOW RISK****Acceptable** | **MEDIUM RISK****Moderate** |
| **MEDIUM RISK POTENTIAL****Likely/possible** | **LOW RISK****Acceptable** | **MEDIUM RISK** **Moderate** | **HIGH RISK****Substantial** |
| **HIGH RISK POTENTIAL****More likely/near certain** | **MEDIUM RISK****Moderate** | **HIGH RISK****Substantial** | **HIGH RISK****Intolerable** |

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| **Risk Rating** | **Action Required to Control the Risk** |
| **LOW** |  |
| **~~MEDIUM~~** |  |
| **~~HIGH~~** |  |

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| **Actions Identified to Control the Risk Further** | **By whom?** | **By when?** | **Done** |
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