



## **Pancreas Center Studies**

**All studies are VOLUNTARY. If you qualify, choose any or all.  
All information and specimens will be de-identified  
If you are interested in participating, let your nurse or physician know**

### **Registry and Tissue Bank for High Risk Individuals Study**

#### **What the study is about?**

- To create a registry of individuals with, or at high risk of developing, pancreatic cancer

#### **Qualification Criteria**

- Any pancreatic abnormality **EXCEPT** neuroendocrine tumors, pancreatitis or serous cyst adenoma

#### **What is required when participating in this study?**

- You will be given a questionnaire about your personal and family history to fill out at home
- We will collect information from your medical record that concerns the diagnosis or treatment of your disease
- If you require surgery, we will keep some of your resected tissue
- Urine samples **MAY** be collected during a clinical visit with your doctor
- If you have a diagnosis of IPMN but you do not qualify for the Epidemiology study (no family history or Jewish descent) you may be asked to donate 4 vials of blood. (If you do not wish to donate blood, you may still participate in this study).

### **Stool DNA Testing: A Feasibility Study**

#### **What the Study is about?**

- Evaluate the efficacy of detecting pancreatic abnormalities in the stool.

#### **Qualification Criteria**

- Diagnosis of Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma or IPMN
- Going to surgery
- No history of Colorectal, Gastric, Esophageal, or Head & Neck Cancer
- No endoscopic procedure conducted within the last week
- Not currently undergoing chemotherapy

#### **What is required when participating in this study?**

- You will be asked to provide a stool sample
- You will be given a container with supplies and instructions to take home. The specimen must be collected and mailed prior to surgery



## Depression and Tumor Burden in Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma Study

### What the Study is about?

- The purpose of the study is to assess the relationship between mood and tumor size in pancreatic cancer

### Qualification Criteria

- Diagnosis of Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma
- Going to surgery
- Cannot be taking certain psychiatric meds (the following are OK: xanax, klonopin, valium and ativan)
- No history of stroke, heart failure or HIV
- No autoimmune disease: lupus, multiple sclerosis, rheumatoid arthritis, polymyalgia rheumatic and temporal arteries

### What is required when participating in this study?

- 2 vials of blood collected prior to surgery (usually at the time of pre-op)
- You will be asked to fill out a few short questionnaires regarding your mood and personal history

## Molecular Genetics and Epidemiology Study

### What the Study is about?

- To determine the frequency of gene mutations in patients with, or at a high risk for developing, pancreatic cancer

### Qualification Criteria

- A diagnosis of Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma OR
- A Pre-malignant lesion (Mucinous Cysts, IPMN) WITH at least one of the following:
  - o A 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> degree relative with a history of melanoma, ovarian, breast, or pancreatic cancer
  - o You are of Ashkenazi Jewish Descent
- Participation in the Registry Protocol is required

### What is required when participating in this study?

- 4 vials of blood
- Participation in the Registry Study (above)