

# Return of Specimen Policy

## Ensuring safe and timely arrival to the Caris Laboratory

When Caris Molecular Intelligence is ordered, Precision Oncology compiles all the relevant paperwork and organises for the tissue to be sent to Caris for analysis by priority FedEx. We inform the pathology lab of the pick-up date and time, and reference number. From the moment FedEx shipping is initiated, Precision Oncology tracks the tissue sample using the tracking number provided by FedEx to ensure it arrives safely and promptly to the Caris laboratory in Phoenix, Arizona USA.

For more information see:

<https://www.precisiononcology.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/PrecisionOncology-AU-Shipper-Kit-Instructions.pdf>

## Ensuring the sample is safely returned to the pathology laboratory after profiling

After the molecular profiling process is complete, Caris Molecular Intelligence will return the tissue sample to the pathology lab. Precision Oncology will ensure that the sample is returned to the pathology lab within 6 weeks of molecular profiling being concluded. It is important that the pathology lab correctly fills out the pathology information section of the Tumour Profiling Requisition form and ticks the 'return specimen block to pathology' box.

By request, Caris can return the tissue sample sooner if it is urgently required, for example if the tissue sample is needed for further testing or required for clinical trials. If this is the case, please notify Precision Oncology and we will have the sample returned within two weeks of molecular profiling being concluded.

The tissue sample is returned to the pathology lab via FedEx and Precision Oncology tracks the shipment to ensure its safe and timely arrival.

Should you wish for the sample to be returned to an alternative location, for example for use in a clinical trial, please notify Precision Oncology and we will ensure its safe and timely arrival.

In the case that there is no leftover sample after testing, Caris will comply with applicable laws regarding the use and destruction of leftover patient samples.