



# CUSTOMER FORM

## Informed consent to collection of umbilical cord tissue



### PURPOSE

Umbilical cord blood has, during the last decades, shown to contain valuable stem cells which can successfully be used in treatment of serious diseases. The cord blood contains primarily hematopoietic stem cells, but also a small amount of the mesenchymal stem cells (MSCs). On the contrary the MSCs are abundant in the umbilical cord tissue itself, more precisely in the Wharton's Jelly. MSCs have unique properties which potentially can be used in possible future therapeutic situations. Scientific research is ongoing and may lead to development of medical treatment methods in the future.

As the collection of umbilical cord tissue must take place immediately after the collection of the umbilical cord blood, it is necessary that we obtain your consent in advance to the umbilical cord blood and tissue are being collected and stored by us. You must therefore read and sign this form before the birth of your child.

1. You agree that Stem Sure will store your child's umbilical cord blood and tissue and you give your permission for the hospital staff in which you will give birth to draw the umbilical cord blood from the umbilical cord and the placenta and to subsequently cut a section of the cord (the cord tissue sample).
2. You understand that collection and storage of your child's cord tissue can only be done in combination with collection and storage of your child's cord blood by Stem Sure.
3. You understand that both the procedures for processing and storage of cord tissue and the therapeutically use of the collected cord tissue, at the moment are in an experimental and unregulated phase.
4. You understand and agree that if an insufficient section of cord tissue is collected to enable storage of the tissue, all parts and samples of the collected tissue will be destroyed. Finally, you also agree that if you decide to terminate the storage with Stem Sure without instructions for the future use of the collected cord tissue, the collected cord tissue will be destroyed.
5. You must familiarize yourself with Stem Sure's forms "Contract for the processing and cryogenic storage of blood harvested from the umbilical cord (Stem cells)", "Contract for blood tests", "Consent to storage of umbilical cord blood" and "Terms of delivery".

Please contact our customer service at [info@stemsure.ro](mailto:info@stemsure.ro) if you have any questions regarding this form or the collection and storage of umbilical cord tissue.

### Agreement to collection of umbilical cord tissue, completed before the start of the birth

Mother's name:	Civil reg. no:																		
Mother's signature	Date:		y		y		y		y		m		m		d		d	Customer ID:	

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CUSTOMER