

# Questions for BBRB Study

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# Organizational structure and governance (network / stand-alone)

Is your biobank part of a:

- Healthcare provider
- Clinical research organization
- Drug or device developer
- Commercial biobank
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- What internal governance model oversees your biobank?
  - Permanent steering committee
  - Ad-hoc steering committee
  - Scientific/pathologist oversight team
  - Other:
- Is your biobank part of a network?
  - If yes, does the network have a steering committee
  - Do you exchange samples within your network?
  - Does your institution receive funding from the network?

# Current funding sources

What is your biobanks total annual budget? ■ What percentage of your budget comes from: Charitable donations: \_\_\_\_\_ Support from our host enterprise: \_\_\_\_\_ Support from our network: \_\_\_\_\_ Grants: Specimen sales: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: What percentage is used for: Labor/staffing: \_\_\_\_\_ Capital equipment: \_\_\_\_\_ Other operational expenses: \_\_\_\_\_



## Scale of operations

- How many full time staff? \_\_\_\_\_
- How many FTE's in part-time staff? \_\_\_\_\_\_
- How many researchers do your support?
- How many grants do you support?
- What portion of grant funding goes to your bank?
- □ How many samples in your bank?
- □ How many samples do you add monthly?
- What is the annual sample turn-over rate?



#### Coverage of current and projected growth

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At what rate are your total costs increasing per year? What is the breakdown:
Labor:
Capital:
Other operational expenses:
<ul><li>(need clarifying instructions for these percentages)</li></ul>
At what rate are your funding sources changing $(+/-$ percentage)
□ Charitable donations:
■ Support from our host enterprise:
■ Support from our network:
Grants:
□ Specimen sales:
Other:



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Other operational expenses:
(need clarifying instructions for these percentages)
At what rate are your funding sources changing $(+/-$ percentage)
Charitable donations:
Support from our host enterprise:
Support from our network:
□ Grants:



Other: \_\_\_\_\_

□ Specimen sales: \_\_\_\_

#### Feedback on new potential funding sources

How likely are you to initiate/increase each of the following new/current sources:

New/Current; Highly likely, maybe, we will not pursue

- Charitable donations: \_\_\_\_\_
- Support from our host enterprise: \_\_\_\_\_
- Support from our network: \_\_\_\_\_
- Grants: \_\_\_\_\_
- Specimen sales: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Current challenges

- Please list the top three challenges that you are currently facing and/or anticipate in the next 12 months:
  - Sustaining current growth
  - Acquiring new specimens
  - Replacing declining funding sources
  - Keeping pace with quality standards
  - Labor attrition
  - Managing changing consent
  - Data security
  - Keeping pace with new informatics
  - Integrating our information systems
  - Centralizing biobank operations in my enterprise
  - Establishing a competitive pricing strategy/policy
  - 1.
  - 2.
  - 3.