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**Research Centre for Women's and Infants' Health (RCWIH) BioBank**  
**Overview of clinical data collection for research**  
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The following document details the clinical information collected for patients who have provided informed consent for the donation of perinatal specimens (placental tissue, umbilical cord and umbilical cord blood, maternal/paternal samples, *etc.*) to support research projects associated with the Research Centre for Women's and Infants' Health (Mount Sinai Hospital Research Ethics Board approval #10-0128-E). All clinical information is obtained by members of the RCWIH BioBank staff who have received approval of the MSH REB and to protect patient confidentiality only de-identified information (*i.e.* lacking specific patient identifiers such as the patient's name or hospital ID) is provided to study-affiliated investigators. Every effort is made to prepare a complete and accurate clinical profile for each participant in the study, however an incomplete profile may result when certain parameters are unavailable (*i.e.* if data is not reported in patient records or if specific tests were not clinically indicated or performed while the patient was cared for at MSH).

### Categories of clinical data collected

#### 1. Patient demographics

- date of birth
- ethnicity, partner's age & ethnicity
- infection status
- blood type and Rhesus factor
- prepregnancy weight, current weight, height and calculated body mass index

#### 2. Obstetrical history

- gravidity and parity
- number of live births (with distinction of term and preterm deliveries)
- number of multiple births
- number of living children
- number of abortions (with distinction of spontaneous losses and therapeutic terminations)
- number of ectopic pregnancies
- details of previous pregnancies (mode of delivery, outcome, gestational age at delivery, sex, birth weight, complications of the pregnancy or delivery)

#### 3. Medical history

- existing medical conditions
- current medications (with relevant treatment duration and dosing information)
- substance use: smoking status, alcohol consumption and recreational/illicit drug use

#### 4. Details of the current pregnancy

- date of last menstrual period, estimated date of delivery/confinement, and the method used to validate gestational age dating (LMP, ultrasound examination, date of embryo transfer)
- nature of conception (with distinction of spontaneous and assisted conceptions)
- abnormal antenatal test results (*if applicable*)
- complications of current pregnancy (*if applicable*)

#### 5. Labour details (*when applicable*)

- date/time of admission
- reason for admission
- cervical dilatation on admission (*if applicable*)
- presence or absence of labour (with distinction of spontaneous and induced labour)
- mode of induction, if induced labour (*i.e.* amniotomy, oxytocin, prostin gel, other)
- use of any agents to augment labour
- time/date of labour onset, full dilatation, and pushing onset
- time/duration of labour stages 1 through 3

#### 6. Delivery details

- date/time of delivery
- gestational age at delivery
- mode of delivery (vaginal, cesarian section with or without labour)
- indication for mode of delivery (induction of labour and/or caesarian section)
- for vaginal deliveries the nature of the delivery (*i.e.* spontaneous, assisted by vacuum or forceps)
- rupture of membranes (with distinction of spontaneous and artificial rupture)
- time/date of membrane rupture and duration before birth
- description of amniotic fluid (*i.e.* clear, blood- or meconium-stained fluid)
- outcome of delivery (*i.e.* singleton, multiple birth, intrauterine fetal demise)
- fetal sex, birth weight and calculated weight percentile (Note: calculations are based on singleton data reported by Kramer et al. 2001 Pediatrics 108(2) p. e35)
- APGAR score (evaluations at the 1 and 5 minute time points)
- fetal measurements at birth (head circumference and length)
- any complications of delivery
- placental weight (wet, untrimmed) and calculated weight percentile
- chorionicity of placenta and membranes (for multiple gestations)

#### 7. Blood work and urinalysis data (*reported for multiple days where possible*)

- date of test and gestational age at testing
- hemoglobin levels
- white blood cell count
- platelet count
- serum levels of aspartate aminotransferase (AST) and alanine aminotransferase (ALT)
- serum levels of uric acid, creatinine and indirect bilirubin
- glucose random plasma
- results of glucose challenge tests (GCT) and 3-hour glucose tolerance tests (GTT)
- First Trimester Screening and Integrated Pregnancy Screening results (serum levels of PAPP-A, free beta-hCG, AFP, hCG, Inhibin A, unconjugated estriol (uE3), and calculated risks for trisomy 21, 18/13 and open spina bifida)
- urinalysis by dipstick (negative, trace, 1+, 2+, 3+, 4+) or following 24-hour urine collection (reported as grams per day)
- other relevant lab results

**8. Ultrasound evaluations** (*reported for multiple days where possible*)

- date of test and gestational age at testing
- placental length, width and site (*i.e.* anterior, posterior, lateral, fundal, *etc.*)
- insertion of umbilical cord and description of cord
- assessment of placental morphology (normal or abnormal, with identification of infarcts, echogenic lesions, or abnormalities)
- uterine artery Doppler analysis (left and right uterine artery PI and presence/absence of notching)
- umbilical artery Doppler analysis (PI and cord flow or EDV)
- middle cerebral artery Doppler analysis (PI and PSV)
- ductus venosus waveform
- estimated fetal weight and fetal weight percentile
- biophysical profile
- fetal anatomy measurements (biparietal diameter, head circumference, abdomen circumference and femur length)
- amniotic fluid index
- identification of fetal anomalies (generalized as involving CNS, skeletal, respiratory, cardiac, genitourinary, or gastrointestinal systems)
- other relevant observations

**9. Blood pressure data** (*reported for multiple days where possible*)

- date of test and gestational age at testing
- maximum systolic and maximum diastolic pressures on the date of testing
- characterization of blood pressure prior to pregnancy (described as normal or elevated)

**10. Relevant parameters for preterm deliveries**

- cervical length measured by ultrasound and gestational age at testing
- presence and type of cervical cerclage (*if applicable*)
- infection status for Group B Streptococcus
- presence of vaginal/cervical infections (*with information on type of infection and gestational age at onset*)
- clinical evidence of infections (highest maternal temperature, maximum white blood cell count, tachycardia)
- administration of tocolytics, glucocorticoids or antibiotics (along with the type, gestational age at treatment and relevant dosing information)

**11. Gross and microscopic placental features following pathological evaluation**

- fixed, trimmed placental weight and overall dimensions
- umbilical cord insertion, coiling, and diameter
- presence of relevant gross or microscopic features including (but not limited to): acute chorioamnionitis (Stage 1 or Stage 2/3), intervillous thrombi, infarction, perivillous fibrin deposition, subchorionic hemorrhage, retroplacental hemorrhage, chronic villitis, acute chorionic vasculitis, acute funisitis, fetal vascular thrombotic lesions, decidual vasculopathy, distal villous hypoplasia, villous dysmaturity/immaturity, advanced villous maturity for gestational age, chronic deciduitis, plasma cell deciduitis, chorioangioma, chorangioma, *etc.*

**12. Digital images**

- maternal and fetal surfaces of the placenta are captured at the time of delivery