



**International Skeletal Dysplasia Registry
Instructions for Fetal Submission for Research**

Fetal specimens that arrive prior to the completion of the consent forms will be held at the registry for a maximum 5 of days. **If consent cannot be obtained within 5 days, the specimens will be returned to your institution.**

SHIPPING ADDRESS:

International Skeletal Dysplasia Registry
615 Charles E. Young Dr., South, Room 410
Los Angeles, CA 90095 – 7358
Phone: (310) 825-8998

WE CANNOT RECEIVE SAMPLES ON WEEKENDS OR HOLIDAYS

If samples will not be ready to send until Friday, you can refrigerate them at 4°C over the weekend and send overnight on Monday.

For submission of ENTIRE FETUS for research:

1. Completed Contact and Consent Form (located in [Forms](#) tab on our website)
2. Signed Fetal Dissection Consent Form - If the family wishes to have the remains returned to a mortuary, they may specify so on this form. Please provide a Fed-Ex account or credit-card number for shipping the remains back.
3. Fetal remains should be sent OVERNIGHT in a sterile container on wet ice or cold packs. It is best to send the whole fetus as is, do not add formalin. We will complete X-rays and take the necessary specimens here.
4. Clinical summary and most recent ultrasound reports
5. Cord Blood - 2 Lavender Top Tubes (if available)

For submission of select FETAL TISSUES for research:

1. Completed Contact and Consent Form (located in [Forms](#) tab on our website)
2. X-rays - AP & lateral films of whole body or AP of POC
If possible, please be sure the following are visible: Skull (AP & lateral), Spine: cervical (lateral), thoracic (AP and lateral) and lumbar (AP and lateral); Pelvis and hips (AP); Chest (AP rib technique); Hands and wrists (AP); Long bones (AP); Feet and ankle (AP and lateral). If not, please take separate AP & lateral skull films and AP of both hands.
3. Tissue Specimens - Femur (including the femoral head); 3 ribs (including costochondral junction), and a skin sample. ALL specimens should be sent in a sterile container in sterile tissue culture medium on wet ice or cold packs.
4. Clinical summary and most recent ultrasound reports (autopsy report if available)
5. Cord Blood - 2 Lavender Top Tubes (if available)