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Policy to access STCS data and samples

STCS data (in the form of a comprehensive downloadable file or as a result of post-processed ad-hoc selection) or biological blood samples (viable cells, plasma and DNA) are available for use in research projects provided that the project has been submitted and approved by the STCS Scientific Committee (SC) and by the competent research Ethics Committee (<http://www.stcs.ch/research/information-for-researchers>).

The STCS Data Center and the Head of the biobank require the following documents for your data or samples request to be processed:

- Ethical approval letter
- The final proposal as approved by the STCS Scientific Committee
- Letter of SC for the approved project

The local bio banking labs will only release STCS samples based on the sample ordering list generated and verified by the STCS Data Center and the head of the STCS biobank.

The Swiss Transplant Cohort Study