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DIVISION	IRRETRIEVABLE SPECIMEN(S)
ANATOMICAL PATHOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All surgical specimens
BLOOD TRANSFUSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International specimens for testing for possible Bone Marrow donor match
CHEMISTRY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arterial BG Body fluids (except for voided urine/blood) Code Blue Samples/Cardiac Arrest Cortisol-DST Pre-Dialysis samples Pre-Drug Level samples Stone samples Samples taken as a series
CYTOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All specimens except sputum, voided urine and male fertility specimens.
HEMATOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Body fluids (except for voided urine/blood) Bone marrows Tissue samples
	Molecular Biology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-Transplant Peripheral Blood from a Bone Marrow Transplant Patient or Donor
	Flow Cytometry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CD34 Enumeration - Product Immunophenotyping - Body Fluid Immunophenotyping - Bone Marrow Aspirate Immunophenotyping - Bone Marrow Biopsy Immunophenotyping - Lymph Node Pretreatment Peripheral Blood

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	<p>HLA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deceased Donor Peripheral Blood • Final Crossmatch Specimens • Peripheral Blood from National and International Registries • Peripheral Blood on National and International Donors • Peripheral Blood on Recipient or Donors < 3 years old • Pre-Transplant Peripheral Blood • Post-Transplant Peripheral Blood
<p>MICROBIOLOGY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autopsy specimens. • Blood transfusion specimens for investigation of bacterial contamination. • Bone Marrow Transplant blood specimens. • Bronchial wash/lavage specimens. • Cystoscopic Urine • Other specimens that cannot be recollected (vascular catheter tips, prosthetic devices and materials). • Sinus Specimens • Specimens from the tissue and eye banks. • Specimens obtained by needle aspiration (excluding phlebotomy). • Specimens obtained by other invasive means, e.g., tissue biopsies, all specimens obtained in operating room. • Synovial, pleural, pericardial, cerebrospinal, ascitic, intraocular and Peritoneal dialysis (PD) fluids.