3 Ways To Donate Stem Cells





PERIPHERAL BLOOD STEM CELLS (PBSC)

Procedure Time: 4-6 hours.

Most often PBSCs are collected through a non-surgical process similar to donating blood called apheresis. Stem cells are separated from the blood and collected.



Procedure Time: 45-90 mins.

Less often bone marrow stem cells are collected from the back of the donor's pelvic bones through a surgical procedure performed under general anesthetic.



Procedure Time: Immediate*.

Cord blood is the leftover blood in the umbilical cord and placenta after a baby is born. It is usually thrown away as medical waste, but contains rich, lifesaving stem cells.

PEOPLE DONATE PBSC VS. BONE MARROW

10%

More than 75% of patients must rely on a volunteer donor found on a stem cell registry. You could be the one.

Join our stem cell registry visit blood.ca/stemcells



^{*} Your cord blood donation is collected after the safe delivery of the baby. It does not interfere with your birth plans, including delayed cord blood clamping.