Decision Tree #2

Review by the University of Illinois IRB Office?

Are the data/specimens about or from individuals who are or may be still living?

**NO**
- Materials are from cadavers, or data is about deceased individuals.

**YES**
- Are the specimens/data (data sets, tissue, etc.) obtained from a producer or supplier of public use data available publicly?
  - **YES**
    - Is all the information about the specimens/data available in the public domain?
  - **NO**

Project is not Human Subjects Research. No application needed.

Data is de-identified

**NO**
- Can the provider link the specimens/data, directly or indirectly, to identifiable living individuals?
  - **NO**
    - Provider is solely providing, with no role in the research.
  - **YES**
    - Can the recipient link the specimens/data directly to identifiable living individuals either directly or through a code?
      - **NO**
        - Is the provider or collaborator in the recipient's research? i.e. involved in the design, conduct or reporting of the research, listed as collaborator on research proposals or protocols, planned sharing of authorship credit.
      - **YES**
        - Recipient and provider are collaborators on the research.

**YES**
- Were/will the specimens or data be collected specifically for the research through an interaction or intervention with living individuals?

- Project is Human Subjects Research. Application to the IRB office and written notice of approval or notice of exemption required before research can begin.

Forms at www.oprs.research.illinois.edu. Questions? Contact irb@illinois.edu

*Contact the Office of Sponsored Programs (www.sponsoredprograms.illinois.edu) if acquiring the data requires a Data Use Agreement or a Materials Transfer Agreement between the provider and recipient.