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Questionnaire

“Research understanding, attitude and awareness towards biobanking”

1. I was asked to participate to the Euroclot study that aimed at
   a) Investigating physiological mechanisms of the clotting process.
   b) Investigating pathological mechanisms of the clotting process.
   c) I don’t know/ I don’t remember.

2. Euroclot study needs twin pairs because
   a) Comparison between monozygotic and dizygotic twins makes it possible to investigate the role of genetic and environmental factors on clotting mechanisms.
   b) Twins have different clotting mechanisms compared to those of non-twin subjects.
   c) I don’t know/ I don’t remember.

3. Which of the following statements most closely reflects your reason for donating blood for research purposes?
   a) I believe that every individual should find fulfilment by acting for the benefit of others.
   b) Researchers and scientific institutions contribute skills and expertise to new discoveries but as a lay person I can make a contribution to research by donating blood.
   c) The idea of donating blood came to me spontaneously; I believe it is a humanitarian attitude towards others.

4. Were you asked to give a blood sample to be stored “for future research use” during the Euroclot informed consent procedures?
   a) Yes.
   b) No.
   c) I do not remember.