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**DONATION OF BODY TO SCIENCE**

**To participate in this scheme all documents  
must be submitted and approved before your death**

Bodies may be donated to science at no cost to relatives. Anyone wishing to do this should use the following procedure.

1. The Donor should send a Letter of Intent to the address below:

Departamento de Histología y Anatomía  
Campus de San Juan  
Universidad de Miguel Hernández  
Calle Valencia, Kilometro 87  
03550  
San Juan de Alicante

Secretary's office Tel. 96 591 9427 8am to 3pm

2. By return the Donor will receive a Form of Consent. This should be completed, witnessed by two people and returned to the University.

The form will be annotated "Authorised" and returned to the Donor.

3. If the Donor is hospitalised, the Tanatoria will arrange for the original death certificate to be sent to the Judge (Juzgado Registro, Ave Santa Justa 6, Orihuela, Tel: 96 530 5181. The Judge will sign the death certificate, this authorises the body to be removed from the hospital.
4. If the donor dies outside hospital, the procedure is for the body to be removed to the Tanatorio or direct to University.
5. On the death of the Donor, a relative or friend (preferably one of the witnesses who is aware of the form and its whereabouts), should:
  - a) Ring the number on the form advising them of the death of the Donor and the location of the body. The Authorities will normally collect the body within 3-4 hours.
  - b) Arrange for a Doctor to call and issue a death certificate. Any doctor can provide the certificate providing there are no suspicious circumstances.

- c) Any amount of stamped authorised copies can be obtained once the Doctor has signed the original.
- d) Once the death certificate has been duly signed contact must be made with Funeraria San Vicente Ferrer SL Tel. 96 566 7912

Or

Funeraria La Siempreviva Tel. 96 510 0822

The representative of the deceased making these arrangements should have available:

- a) Residencia or Passport of the deceased.
- b) Authorised Form of Consent from the University of Alicante

**You will need to keep your authorised Form of Consent in a safe place so that any person who is dealing with your estate can easily find it**

To the best of our knowledge this information was correct on the date given below. However, rules and regulations can and do change so it is advisable to check with our office that this fact sheet has not been superseded. JB October 08