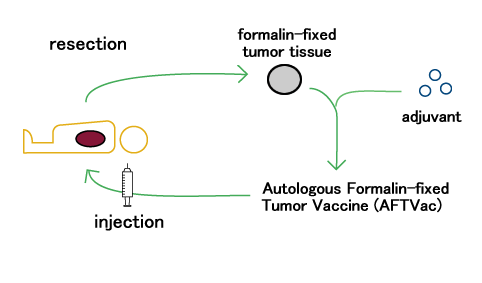
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Subject: Returning the fixed tumor tissue to the originated patient

Dear Dr.

We have developed Autologous Formalin-fixed Tumor Vaccine (AFTV) in Japan. It is a new and innovative tumor vaccine consisting of formalin-fixed or paraffin-embedded tissue fragments derived from the patient's own tumor and immunoadjuvant. It is one of the self-vaccines (auto-vaccines) without any problematic adverse effects.

The vaccine is promising to suppress the recurrence, to prevent the metastasis, and to treat the residual cancer cells of many types of human cancers after surgical resection (1-6).



To prepare AFTV, we need patient’s tumor tissues more than 2g, if it is available at both formalin-fixed tissue and/or paraffin-embedded tissue. The desirable tumor size is 2cm x 1cm x 1cm or more as a formalin-fixed tumor block, or 3-4 pieces of paraffin-embedded tissue blocks for pathological examination. For this purpose, would you please return the fixed tumor tissues to the originated patient?

Thank you very much for your cooperation to treat the patient with AFTV.

Sincerely yours,

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