

Are mobile phones a source of bacterial contamination in the operating room?
Consent Form

Introduction

You are invited to participate in a research study on mobile phones used in orthopedic and neurosurgery operating room by hospital staff. Your participation in this study is strictly voluntary.

Purpose of the Study

Mobile phones might be a possible source of contamination in operating rooms (OR) due to lack of their appropriate cleaning process. The purpose of this research study is to identify whether mobile phone used by OR staff are colonized with potentially pathogenic bacteria.

Study Procedures

If you agree to take part in this study, sample from your mobile phones will be taken from 2 sites, one from the front and another from the back after which the phones will be returned to you. These will be taken by swab on stick in wet medium and rubbing it for 30 second for each sample and will be sent to our microbiology lab for culture specimen

Risks:

There are no risks to participating in the study.

Benefits:

There are no direct benefits as a result of participating in this study. The information might help us in understanding the potential sources of surgical site infection.

If you have any questions about the research, please feel free to contact:

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I have understood the information of research study and agree to participate.

Name of Participant:  _____

Signature of Participant:  _____ Date: 8th March, 2018

Name of person obtaining consent:  _____

Signature:  _____ Date: 8th March 2018