

Access to samples in research*



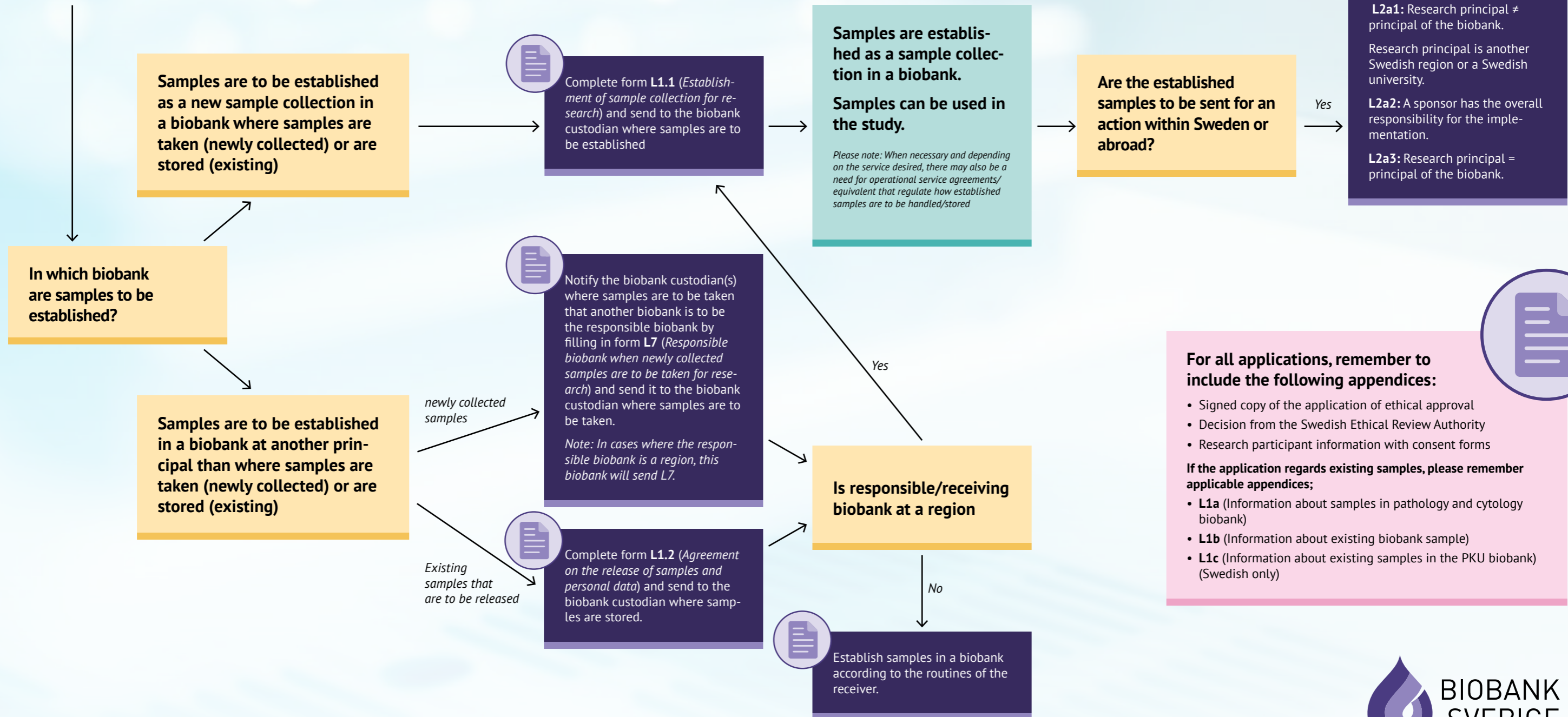
Step 1:

Contact the biobank(s) ([Biobank coordinator](#)) where samples are planned to be established (responsible biobank) during the study. They can answer questions and provide support regarding which forms to use and how to complete them. They can also inform if operational service agreements/equivalent are needed.

Newly collected samples: Samples collected specifically for the purpose of research. When such samples are taken by a healthcare provider,

They shall not affect or be relevant for regular diagnostics. Note that some tissue samples that are newly collected can be considered to be existing samples. Samples that go through the pathologist and are assessed there in the same way as healthcare samples are considered to be existing samples.

Existing samples: Samples that have been collected and stored in a biobank for a specific purpose (e.g. care of a patient or a specific research project) and where access is desired for another purpose (e.g. research or another specific research project).



For all applications, remember to include the following appendices:

- Signed copy of the application of ethical approval
- Decision from the Swedish Ethical Review Authority
- Research participant information with consent forms

If the application regards existing samples, please remember applicable appendices;

- **L1a** (Information about samples in pathology and cytology biobank)
- **L1b** (Information about existing biobank sample)
- **L1c** (Information about existing samples in the PKU biobank) (Swedish only)