



**Title of research project:** Centralization and assessment of Quality of Care in Gynecological Oncology during the Highly Specialized Medicine (HSM) process  
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**Sponsor and data controller:** **SWISS-AGO Working Group of Swiss Society for Gynaecology and Obstetrics public organisaWon** - Women’s University Hospital Basel, Spitalstrasse 21, 4031 Basel Switzerland

**Type of study:** Retrospective studies based on secondary use of pseudonymised personal data collected within the GO quality cohort

**PROJECT OBJECTION FORM**

**1. INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROJECT**

The GO quality cohort is a national registry. The aim of the study is to provide a collection of health-related routine data of patients treated for ovarian cancer to examine the quality of care during the process of a government-driven centralization (highly specialized medicine, HSM) in Switzerland.

As part of the project, we will collect and register data from women treated for metastatic ovarian cancer in Switzerland as obliged by the Swiss Government Health Organization (GDK) under the HSM regulation. In your health care institution's database, patients who match the criteria of the research project will be identified. Since you match the criteria, we collect your data. Data will be collected from your medical record and not directly from you. Therefore, this study does not involve any additional examinations or demands from you other than what is already carried out as part of your standard treatment. Based on the collected data, we are planning to perform research projects. Your data will only be used in case you signed your hospital’s general consent, the registry-specific consent or the consent for further use of data of the MATAO trial. All data will be processed without names and personal identification numbers or other directly identifiable information (= pseudonymized data). A code links you to your data through a list. Only health-care professionals involved in your care (=local study personnel) are able to link the information used for the purposes of the project to your identity.

**Possible advantages and disadvantages:** The data collection and further use of data does not involve any risk or constraint for you. If already signed a consent for the further use of data and you do not object to processing of your data for research purposes, your personal data will be integrated in these projects. There are no direct advantages for you in participating. The expected benefits of these studies are collective benefits for the community of patients who suffer from Ovarian Cancer.

**Voluntary participation:** Participation in research projects is voluntary. If you would like to participate and already consented, you do not have to take any action. You can withdraw from the project at any time without giving a reason.

There will be no negative consequences for you or your treatment if you do not want to participate or if you choose to withdraw at a later stage. If you withdraw your consent, your health data will not be used in any new further research. However, your data cannot be excluded in case the data are already anonymised, are already part of an ongoing project or have already been published. You can request access to the data held on you, and this will be provided within 30 days. If you have questions about the project, you can contact the project manager (see the contact details at the end of this document).

**2 PROJECT OBJECTION**

If you do not want to participate in research studies, please contact your treating gynaecologist at this hospital or fill-in this objection form. Please fill it in and send it back to us to [database@esgo.org](mailto:database@esgo.org)

I DO NOT AGREE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROJECT

Place and date: .....

Participant’s name in block capital letters: .....

Name of the medical facility where you are receiving treatment: .....

Participant’s signature: