1/2017 Facebook Group

Talked to the Midwest Sperm Bank this week. They acted completely shocked when I told them I was in touch with 35 siblings, and they said they had no record of my daughter's birth. I told them they keep crappy records because I emailed them nearly 6 years ago to advise them of it. They were also "shocked" to hear of so many siblings virtually right next door to each other... we live 3 miles from the closest ones. I told them I know one donor has over 300 kids... and were they not concerned about that? They admitted they are in the business to make money and said their "donors" want their "goods" sold so they can get paid. Our donor has been on file for over 10 years now!!

9/21/16 DSR Facebook Group

I write our bank every year for medical updates, sometimes they write back saying the donor wants to remain anonymous... ok, so what? How is a medical update an issue with anonymity?

9/15/11 [Link to Donor Sibling Registry]

Since last week's NY Times article about a donor sibling group of 150, many concerned families, and some sperm banks have contacted me to find out which sperm banks produced the largest number of large half sibling groups on the DSR.

Although the DSR does have open records, that is, anyone can search through any of the sperm bank's listings on our site, here are the sperm banks that do have the most large numbers of half sibling groups that we know about on the DSR:

Fairfax, Xytex, New England Cryogenic Center (NECC), Midwest, Cryogenic Labs (CLI), and Pacific Reproductive Services (PRS). Some of these sperm banks ship sperm to small clinics and facilities around the world, so half siblings can also be in Canada, Mexico, Australia, etc.

7/29/10 [Link to Donor Sibling Registry]

We came across this issue when initially considering the Midwest Sperm Bank in Chicago. The director had actually handwritten, on the top of each printed profile, 1-3 celebrities that each donor supposedly resembled. Upon finding a message board for recipients of sperm through this bank we also discovered that when women would call the bank to discuss donor selection, the same tactic was used to sway them towards a few "top" donors, one of which was allegedly a dead ringer for George Clooney. Needless to say, we ended up working with NECC instead!