



INVITATION



Participation in an Autism Research Project

Research to investigate the cause of autism is underway within the Sansom Institute at the University of South Australia, in collaboration with CSIRO Food and Nutritional Sciences and Flinders University. The cause of autism is complex, however, it is well known that there is a genetic as well as an environmental component. The current research is focussed on examining differences in molecular pathways between children with autism and without autism.

Blood and cheek cell samples are needed from children aged 15 years of less diagnosed with autism and their non-autistic sibling(s). Your help would be greatly valued and will contribute to a growing body of South Australian-based research into autism.

What is involved

A fasted morning blood sample is required from each participant, as well as, a painless sample of cells collected from the inside of the cheek.

Note: The blood/DNA will be kept for up to three years and will not be used for any other purpose other than autism research, although, you may elect to donate the samples indefinitely for on-going autism research.

Information collected during this study will be treated with the strictest confidence.

For further information or to register interest in your child(ren) participating in the project, please contact:

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