

UNIVERSITY RESEARCHERS SEEK PARTICIPANTS WITH CELIAC DISEASE

Individuals that have been diagnosed with Celiac Disease are being sought for a study to identify factors associated with the development of Celiac Disease. The goal of the study is to find genes that may predispose individuals and their relatives to develop the condition. The study has been funded by a grant from the National Institutes of Health.

Individuals eligible to participate in this study must have been diagnosed with celiac sprue through a small intestinal biopsy and either a positive transglutaminase (tTG) antibody test or a positive endomysial (EMA) antibody test. Spouses may also be eligible to participate.

Participants will be asked to provide a blood sample and some medical, diet, and family history information. There is no cost to participate. Necessary materials to have the blood drawn by the individual's doctor, clinic, or lab will be sent. We will pay for the cost of the blood draw, as well as over-night shipping to our lab. Participants will receive a free antibody test for screening of celiac disease.

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