

# RESEARCH STUDY LEAD

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UT Southwestern University  
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Children's Medical Center

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Thank you for  
considering  
participation in  
our research study!

THE GENETICS OF  
AUTISM SPECTRUM  
DISORDERS  
**Research Study**

Help us understand the WHY and HOW  
of Autism Spectrum Disorders

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## OUR RESEARCH STUDY

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Children or adults with a diagnosis of Autism, Autism Spectrum Disorder, or Asperger Syndrome

### WHAT IS REQUIRED?

- Fill out a questionnaire
- Provide a blood sample

### WHERE TO GO?

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**Do you know someone with  
a diagnosis of Autism,  
Autism Spectrum Disorder,  
or Asperger Syndrome?**

Our study is recruiting individuals with these conditions to improve our understanding of the genetics of Autism Spectrum Disorders.



## STUDY DETAILS

Although autism spectrum disorders (ASDs) have a strong genetic component, our understanding of disease mechanisms is still incomplete.

This is a research study seeking children or adults with ASDs and their family members to donate a blood sample and fill a medical history questionnaire. We will extract the genetic material from blood cells and sequence it so that we can identify the genetic contributions to ASDs.