The Role of Human Papillomavirus in Fanconi Anemia

Needed: Individuals with Fanconi Anemia and Family Members



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What

This is a research study to look at the prevalence of Human Papillomavirus (HPV) in people with FA and their family members

Who

This study is open to individuals with FA and immediate family members

Why

To understand the role of HPV in individuals with FA, and to determine the relationship between HPV infection and the development of head and neck squamous cell carcinomas

Details

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Needed: Completion of questionnaires and collection of oral rinse, saliva and blood samples.

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Accepting: International patients

Purpose: The purpose of this research study is to help researchers understand the role of Human Papillomavirus (HPV) infection in individuals with Fanconi anemia (FA) and their families. Our long term goal is to understand what causes an increased risk of head and neck squamous cell carcinomas in people with FA.

Importance of project to FA patients: This study will help us to determine the timing, the mode of and ultimately the natural history of infection in the FA population. Participants with FA will be notified of their HPV results. Family members of participants with FA that have been found to be positive for HPV will also be notified of their HPV test results.

Eligibility criteria: To be eligible you must be diagnosed with FA or be an immediate family member of a person diagnosed with FA.

Materials/Information needed: Questionnaires and oral rinse samples will be requested of all participants. Peripheral blood and saliva may be requested of FA patients.