

SANAD II

A study about medicines for treating Epilepsy

Some information for you about our study. We call the study the SANAD-II study.





Your doctor has recently told you that you have epilepsy.

We would like to ask you if you would like to take part in this study. Your doctor will speak to you and the person who supports you about this study.



There are lots of medicines for treating epilepsy. This study will find out which medicines are the best ones to treat people with epilepsy.

What is a research study?



Doctors do a research study when they want to learn about something or find out something new.

Why is the study being done?



People who have epilepsy need to take medicine. We want to compare some old medicines and new medicines to see which work best.

Who is doing this study?



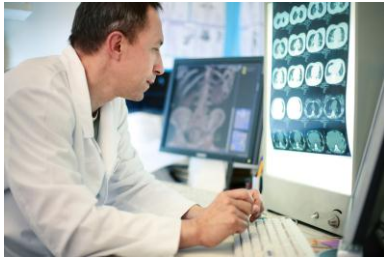
A team of doctors and scientists in Liverpool are running the study and doctors at your own hospital are working with this team.

Do I have to do the study? What if I change my mind?



Nobody will make you take part in the study. It is your decision. It is fine for you to say no. If at any time you decided that didn't want to carry on taking part in the study, then it is fine for you to say no. Nobody will be cross with you.

What will happen to me?



Your doctor will decide what tests you may have.



Your doctor will give you a medicine that you will take to treat your epilepsy. Your doctor will tell you when you need to come to the hospital but it will depend on how you are feeling.



We will also ask you some questions about your epilepsy and the medicines you take to treat your epilepsy at least once a year.

What is DNA and why do doctors need to take my DNA?



We will also ask if you want to give some of your DNA. DNA makes us who we are, for instance it makes the colour of our hair. Our DNA might also explain why we have epilepsy and also why some medicines work better than others at treating epilepsy.



Doctors can get information about your DNA either by:

- taking a small amount of your blood from you
- or by taking a small amount of your spit.

If you don't want to give any DNA, that is OK. You can still take part in the study.

What if I feel unwell or not happy?



If you feel unwell or not happy when you take your medicine you should tell your doctor or the person who supports you.

What happens to my information?



The information you give will be confidential. This means that information about you will only be seen by the team of doctors and scientists that are in charge of the study.

Who do I ask about the study?



You can ask the person who supports you to help explain anything you are not sure of. You can also ask your doctor or nurse. Their details are below:

Doctor/Nurse: *<Name and contact telephone number>*

Thank you for reading/hearing the information about this study. Hope you have found it helpful.