



The  
**AUSTRALIAN  
AUTISM  
BIOBANK**  
Information Booklet

Your family is being invited to take part in a research project that seeks to gain more insights into the causes of autism. Before you decide, it is important for you to understand why the research is being done and what it will involve. Please take time to read the following information carefully and discuss it with other family members. Do feel free to ask us if there is anything that is not clear or if you would like more information. Take time to decide whether or not you wish to take part.

Thank you for reading this.

This information Booklet contains the following information:

- Why are we doing this study?
- Who is carrying out the study?
- Why have I been chosen?
- Does my child have to take part?
- What will happen if I give permission to take part?
- What will happen with the blood samples?
- What are the possible disadvantages in taking part?
- What are the possible benefits in taking part?
- Storage of information.
- What happens to the results of the research study?
- Who has approved the study?
- Who to contact for more information about this study?
- Who to contact if you have any concerns about the running of the study?
- What to do next if you would like your child to take part in this research?

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