Parental Permission/Research Informed Consent
Title of Study: Molecular Analysis of Human Epileptic Tissue

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Purpose

You are being asked to allow your child to be in a research study about the causes of epilepsy so we can develop better treatments. Your child is being sought for the study because he/she is undergoing scheduled epilepsy surgery. This study is being conducted at Wayne State University, The University Physicians Group (UPG) and the Detroit Medical Center’s (DMC) Children’s Hospital of Michigan (CHM). The estimated number of study participants to be enrolled at Wayne State University, the UPG, and the DMC is to be about 30 per year. Please read this form and ask any questions you may have before agreeing to be in the study.

In this research study, the researchers listed above will do some tests on the brain tissue removed during standard of care surgery. This brain tissue would have been discarded otherwise. After the tissue is removed, researchers will use special techniques to identify factors, including, but not limited to, genes and other molecules, that are expressed in unusually high or low amounts in the brain that maybe related to seizures. The studies being performed will relate to epilepsy and disorders in the brain that contribute to epilepsy. This is an open-ended study.

Study Procedures

If you allow your child to take part in this research study, the doctor will be asked to NOT remove more tissue than needed for his/her care, at the time of surgery. Your child’s tissue will be processed for analysis and remain in a locked container in a laboratory in Wayne State University. Only the doctors and researchers listed above will have access to your child’s name and will keep it confidential. The brain tissue will be assigned a number and any research done with the tissue will be done both here and with collaborators outside the University with reference to the number and not with your child’s name. The tissue will be stored frozen as long as it remains usable. As such, and
because this is an open-ended study, the tissue will also be available to you should your child need it in the future. Collaborators will have access to the tissues only after obtaining permission from the University. Your child will be treated according to the recommendation of my doctor.

Benefits

There will be no direct benefit for your child; however, information from this study may benefit other people with similar health issues now or in the future.

If the study results in doctors learning more about what causes epilepsy, how to prevent it, how to treat it, and how to cure it and the results become clinically relevant to your child, you will be informed. You can also ask for the results of the studies done with your child’s tissues if in the future this information may be helpful to your child’s care.

Risks

There are very few risks to your child from the examination of tissues after surgery. The greatest foreseeable risk is the unlikely event that health information could potentially be used to discriminate against your child or members of your family in matters pertaining to access to health insurance or employment. Your child’s records, name, address and phone number will be kept private and confidential. The chance that this information will accidentally be given to someone else is very small.

Study Costs

Participation in this study will be of no cost to you.

Compensation

You will not be compensated for your child’s participation in this study.

Research Involving the Future Use of Biological Specimens

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Research Related Injuries

In the event that this research related activity results in an injury, treatment will be made available to including first aid, emergency treatment, and follow-up care as needed. Cost for such care will be billed in the ordinary manner to you or your insurance company. No reimbursement, compensation, or free medical care is offered by Wayne State University, UPG, and the DMC. If you think that your child has suffered a research related injury, contact the PI right away at 313-745-1416.

Confidentiality

All information collected about your child during the course of this study will be kept confidential to the extent permitted by law. Your child will be identified in the research records by a code name or number. Information that identifies your child personally will not be released without your written permission. However, the study sponsor, the Human Investigation Committee (HIC) at Wayne State University, appropriate members of the UPG staff, DMC’s staff or federal agencies with appropriate regulatory oversight [e.g., Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP), Office of Civil Rights (OCR), etc.] may review your child’s records.

When the results of this research are published or discussed in conferences, no information will be included that would reveal your child’s identity. Information from this study may be published, but your child’s identity will be kept confidential in any publications.

Voluntary Participation/Withdrawal

Taking part in this study is voluntary. You have the right to choose not to allow your child to take part in this study. You are free to withdraw your child from participation in this study at any time. Your decisions will not change any present or future relationship with Wayne State University or its affiliates, or other services you or your child are entitled to receive. You can also ask that your child’s tissue samples be destroyed at any time.

Questions

If you have any questions about this study now or in the future, you may contact Dr. Jeffrey Loeb or one of his associates at phone 313 745-1416 or Dr. Harry Chugani (Director of the Pediatric Program) at 313-993-2605. If you have questions or concerns about you or your child’s rights as a research participant, the Chair of the Human Investigation Committee can be contacted at (313) 577-1628. If you are unable to contact the research staff, or if you want to talk to someone other than the research staff, you may also call (313) 577-1628 to ask questions or voice concerns or complaints.

J Consent to Participate in a Research Study:

To voluntarily agree to have your child take part in this study, you must sign on the line below. If you choose to have your child take part in this study, you may withdraw them at any time. You are not giving up any of your or your child’s legal rights by signing this form. Your signature below.
indicates that you have read, or had read to you, this entire consent form, including the risks and benefits, and have had all of your questions answered. You will be given a copy of this consent form.

Name of Participant

Signature of Patient, Parent/ Legally Authorized Guardian

Date of Birth

Date

Printed Name of Parent Authorized Guardian

Time

*Signature of Parent/ Legally Authorized Guardian

Date

Time

*Printed Name of Parent Authorized Guardian

Date

Time

**Signature of Witness (When applicable)

Date

Time

Printed Name of Witness

Date

Time

Oral Assent (children age 7-12) obtained by

Signature of Person Obtaining Consent

Date

Date

Printed Name of Person Obtaining Consent

Time

Date

Signature of translator

Time

Date

Printed name of translator

* Both parent's signatures should be obtained however both are required for level 3 studies

** Use when parent/guardian has had consent form read to them (i.e., illiterate, legally blind, translated into foreign language).

*Remove LAR reference if you don’t intend to consent participants that have or may have LAR.
**Use when participant has had this consent form read to them (i.e., illiterate, legally blind, translated into foreign language).

Signature of translator  

Date

Printed name of translator  

Time

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**HIPAA Authorization**

A federal regulation, known as the "Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)" gives you certain rights concerning the use and disclosure (sharing with others) of your Protected Health Information (PHI). This regulation provides safeguards for the privacy and security of your information. Your permission (authorization) is required for the use and sharing of any protected health information collected as part of this research study. If you are not willing to sign this authorization to use and/or disclose your PHI by the research team, you will not be eligible to take part in this research study.

The principal investigator (PI) and his research team will use your medical records and information created or collected as part of this research study. Your PHI is important for the PI and his research team in order to collect information about you during the study, to be able to contact you if needed, and to provide treatments to you during the study, if required. The PI may send out your study related health information to the sponsor or other entities involved in this study.

Your medical records, which may contain information that directly identifies you, may be reviewed by representatives from groups identified below. The purpose of these reviews is to assure the study is being conducted properly, that data is being obtained correctly or for other uses authorized by law. These reviews occur at the study site or in the PI’s research office and can take place anytime during the study or after the study has ended.

**The PHI that will be “USED”** for this research includes the following: name, elements of dates, medical record number, and any unique identifying numbers or characteristics or code.

**The PHI that will be “DISCLOSED” None**

Your study information may be used or shared with the following people or groups:

- The PI, co-investigators, and key personnel of WSU associated with the research project
- WSU’s HIC and the Institutional Review Boards (IRB)
- Authorized members of WSU, UPG, and DMC’s workforce who may need to access your information in the performance of their duties.
- The study Sponsor or representative, including companies it hires to provide study related services, which include: NIH, NINDS
- Federal agencies with appropriate regulatory oversight (e.g., FDA, OHRP, OCR, etc.) may review your records

Once your information has been released according to this Authorization, it could be released again and may no longer be protected by the HIPAA regulations.

This Authorization does not expire. The research team may need to correct it or provide missing information about you even after the study has ended, and your medical records may be needed to assist in this process.

- During your participation in this study you will have access to your medical record and any study information that is part of that record. The PI is not required to release research information that is not part of your medical record.
You may withdraw (take back) your permission for the use and disclosure of your PHI for this research at anytime, by writing to the PI at the address on the first page of this form. Even if you withdraw your permission, the PI for the research project may still use your PHI that was collected prior to your written request if that information is necessary to the study. If you withdraw your permission for use of your PHI, you will also be withdrawn from the research project. Withdrawing your authorization will not affect the health care that will be provided by the Detroit Medical Center and/or the WSU School of Medicine Practice Plans.
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Authorization to use and disclose PHI

- By signing this document, you are authorizing the PI to use and disclose PHI collected about you for the research purposes as described above.

Signature of participant

Date

Printed name of participant

For participants unable to give Authorization, the following individual is acting on behalf of the research participant (e.g., children, mentally impaired, etc.).

Signature of authorized representative

Date

Printed name of authorized representative

Relationship to the participant

Signature of person obtaining Authorization

Date

Printed name of person obtaining Authorization

Time

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