Collection of Skin Biopsies to Prepare Fibroblasts from Patients with Alzheimer’s Disease and Cognitively Healthy Elderly Controls Research Study

Creation and Distribution of Stem Cell Lines from Donor Blood or Skin Sample

Dr Douglas Galasko and colleagues at the UC San Diego Shiley-Marcos Alzheimer’s Disease Research Center are collecting blood or skin biopsy samples to be used to prepare pluripotent stem cells.

These stem cells can be grown and changed into nerve cells or other types of cells, and can be used for research to help to understand mechanisms of Alzheimer’s Disease and other disorders and to screen new medications. The stem cells will be made widely available to researchers.

The study is funded by the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM).

The study includes a brief clinical interview, and blood draw or skin biopsy.

You may be eligible if:

  You have Alzheimer’s Disease  
or  
  You are a cognitively healthy person aged 60 – 90

To find out more, please contact the Alzheimer's Disease Research Center at 858 – 246-4800, mention the stem cell research, and ask for Christina Gigliotti.