ARE YOU PUTTING ON A BRAVE FACE WITH SICKLE CELL DISEASE?

HIBISCUS™
STUDY

We are recruiting males and females 12 to 65 years of age to take part in a clinical research study for sickle cell disease.

To learn more, talk to your doctor and visit HibiscusStudy.com/SC101 today.

With sickle cell disease, there's so much that isn't seen

Sickle cell disease is often referred to as an invisible illness – for good reason. While you or your child may appear healthy from the outside, the battle within never seems to end. Sickled red blood cells block blood flow and die early, leaving a shortage of healthy red blood cells. This causes pain, fatigue, swelling, anemia, and jaundice, among other symptoms.[1]

While you're fighting back every day, we're fighting to find out as much as we can about this painful condition. Right now, research is underway on an oral investigational medication for sickle cell disease, and you may be able to take part.

1. mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/sickle-cell-anemia/symptoms-causes/syc-20355876 Accessed: February 16, 2021

About the Hibiscus Study™

We are looking for adults and adolescents 12 to 65 years old with a clinical diagnosis of sickle cell disease to take part in this clinical research study for approximately two years. The primary purpose of this clinical research study is to evaluate the safety and effectiveness of an oral investigational medication for sickle cell disease.

We are testing how well the investigational medication works to improve anemia and reduce the number of vaso-occlusive crises per year. The investigational medication is given as two tablets taken one time per day.

Individuals will be evaluated to determine their eligibility to participate in this study. Each individual who is eligible and decides to take part will receive either the investigational medication or a placebo, as well as study-specific medical exams and study-specific laboratory tests, at no cost. Reimbursement for time and travel may also be available.

The total duration of the study for each participant is approximately 113 weeks. This includes:

- A 5-week screening period to determine study eligibility.
- A 52-week double-blind study treatment period where participants will receive either the investigational medication or placebo.
- A 52-week open-label extension study treatment period where all participants will receive the investigational medication.
- An end-of-study visit approximately four weeks after the last full dose of the investigational medication.

Learn more to see if you or your child may qualify

If you are interested in taking the next steps to see if you or your child may be eligible for the Hibiscus Study – or if you would like more information to help you decide – we encourage you to call the toll-free number or visit the study website. The website includes information on whether you or your child may qualify and what to expect as a participant. If you know others affected by sickle cell disease, we encourage you to pass along this information.

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What you should know about clinical research studies

Clinical research studies aim to answer specific questions about how medicines work in the individuals who take them. You should feel fully informed about what to expect from your or your child's participation in a clinical research study.

Researchers use clinical research studies to:

- Answer specific health questions.
- Learn about the effects and safety of investigational medications.

Regulations and policies have been developed to help protect the rights, safety, and well-being of people who take part in clinical research studies and to help ensure that these studies are conducted according to strict scientific and ethical principles. Before a clinical research study can begin, an institutional review board (IRB) or ethics committee (EC) must review and approve the study.

Participation in any clinical research study is completely voluntary, and you or your child may withdraw from a clinical research study at any time for any reason. Before participating in a clinical research study, it is important to weigh the potential risks and benefits of participation. The study team will inform you of the potential risks and benefits of study participation, as well as possible side effects. To make an informed decision, gather as much information as possible and talk to your or your child's healthcare providers about any questions you may have.

During the study, you will work with a study team that may include investigators, study nurses, and other research staff.

Thank you for considering the Hibiscus Study.

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