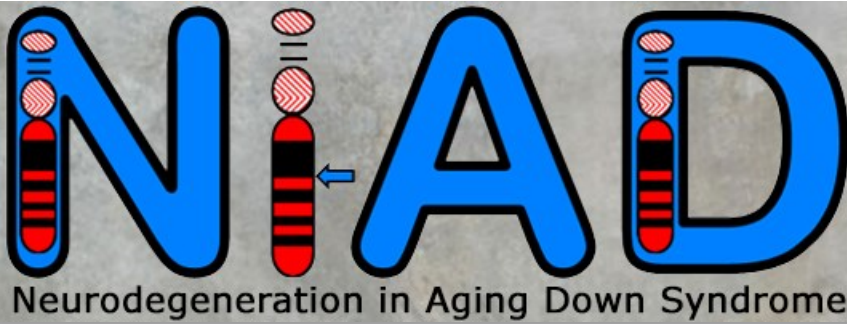


The University of Pittsburgh Medical Center is seeking adults with Down Syndrome to participate in a research study.



Is this study right for you?

This study is for:

- Adults with Down syndrome
- 25 years of age or older
- Must be accompanied by a caregiver



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What does this study involve?

- 4 two-day visits over a four year time period
- Caregivers will complete questionnaires at each visit
- Adults with Down syndrome will complete a physical exam and cognitive testing at each visit. The study will also involve a blood draw, MRI, and PET scans of the brain.

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Why are we doing this research?

It is believed that individuals with Down syndrome are at a higher risk of developing Alzheimer's disease and dementia than the general population because protein deposits associated with these conditions are made by a gene on the 21st chromosome. Since individuals with Down syndrome have an extra 21st chromosome, they have an increased risk of developing these deposits, which can start happening years before symptoms of memory loss appear. We would like to learn more about this potential risk.

Participants will be compensated for their time and expenses. Funds are available for participants and caregivers who reside a distance from the Pittsburgh area to stay overnight.

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