

**THIS IS AN IMPORTANT DOCUMENT – KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE****PARTICIPANT INFORMATION AND CONSENT FORM**

**Sponsor / Study Title:** Enzymedica / “A randomized, triple-blind, placebo controlled, parallel clinical trial investigating the efficacy and safety of a Lipase Thera-blend and a Lipase Thera-blend + tributyrin on memory in healthy adults with self-reported memory problems”

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You are invited to participate in a clinical research study. Participation in this study is strictly voluntary. To make an informed decision about participating in this study, it is important that you understand the potential risks and benefits of the study. This process, known as informed consent, ensures you have all the information needed to decide. This consent form outlines the study’s purpose, procedures, potential benefits, risks, and how your medical information will be handled.

Take your time to thoroughly read all the details about the study, and do not hesitate to ask any questions you may have regarding the information given and about the study. Study staff will answer all your questions. You have access to this form and can review it at your leisure before deciding.

You should not sign this form until you fully understand the information provided, feel comfortable with your decision to participate, and have had all your questions about the study answered to your satisfaction. You will be provided with a signed copy of this form and are expected to keep it for your record. Once consent has been obtained, the study assessments will proceed.

**If you wish to contact the study staff, please use the phone number or email address provided at the top of this page.**

**Background And Purpose**

Memory and cognitive function naturally decline with age and often impact quality of life. A healthy diet, regular exercise, and social connections help support cognitive health, but maintaining these long-term can be challenging.

Lipases are enzymes found in yeast, fungi, bacteria, animals, and plants that break down fats, making them easier for the body to absorb. These enzymes help with digestion, but their levels may decline with age. The gut microbiome plays a key role in the gut-brain connection, which could help maintain or improve cognitive function. A microbiome is a community of microorganisms (like bacteria, fungi, and viruses) that live in the body.



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Early research suggests that certain lipases, like **Candida rugosa** (yeast-derived) and **Rhizopus oryzae** (fungus-derived), may support digestion and gut health. **Butyrate**, a short-chain fatty acid (a type of fat), and its precursor (something your body starts with to eventually make other fats), **tributylin**, have also shown potential benefits for improving memory. However, more research is needed to fully understand their effects on cognitive function in humans.

The objective of this study is to investigate the safety and efficacy of dietary supplements called Lipase Thera-blend, which consists of lipase from *Candida rugosa* and lipase from *Rhizopus oryzae*, and Lipase Thera-blend + tributyrin on memory in healthy adults with self-reported memory problems compared to placebo. A placebo is an inactive substance that looks like the study product but has no active/medicinal ingredients.

**Study Population**

This study will include approximately 90 healthy adults between 30 and 79 years of age with self-reported memory problems.

**How Long Is the Study?**

If eligible after the screening visit, your participation in this study will last approximately 84 days.

**Important Things to Note**

- If you voluntarily consent to participate in this study, you must:
  - Agree to maintain your current lifestyle habits as much as possible throughout the study
  - Be willing to complete questionnaires, records, and diaries associated with the study and to complete all clinic visits
  - Be willing to collect fecal (stool) samples
  - Be willing to avoid caffeine and alcohol for 24 hours, and first-generation antihistamines (anti-allergy) medications for 48 hours prior to in-clinic visits
  - Be willing to fast for at least 12 hours prior to visit 2 and visit 3 (*No food or drinks except water*)
- To determine your eligibility to participate in this study, detailed information about your lifestyle, medications, and medical history will be collected. This information will help determine if you meet the necessary inclusion and exclusion criteria for this study.
- By signing this consent form, you are not guaranteed to be enrolled in the study. Your participation depends on meeting the study's specific eligibility criteria, which will be determined through a series of questions and assessments.
- This study will use competitive enrollment. This means when the target number of participants are enrolled in the study (90), all further enrollment will be closed. Therefore, it is possible that you could be in the screening phase, ready to begin the study, and be discontinued without your consent if the target number of participants have already begun the study. If this occurs, you will not be eligible for study compensation.

**What Will Happen During the Study?**

The following provides an overview of the study assessments, procedures, and schedule of study visits.

**Assessments and Procedures*****Randomization – Visit 2***

Randomization means you will be assigned by chance (like drawing numbers from a hat) to a study group.

If eligible, you will be randomized to 1 of 3 groups:

- Lipase Thera-blend
- Lipase Thera-blend + tributyrin
- Placebo

This is a *triple-blind study*, so neither you, the study staff, or the researchers analyzing the data will know which group you have been randomized to. Neither you nor the study staff will be able to pick which group you are in, ensuring the integrity of the study. However, if it becomes necessary for your health, the study staff can access this information.

A *placebo* is an inactive substance that looks like the study product but has no active/medicinal ingredients. It is used in research to help determine whether the study product has real effects beyond what might happen by chance or expectation. Using a placebo ensures the study results are reliable by reducing bias, as neither participants, study staff, or researchers will know who is receiving the study product.

***Blood samples – Visits 1, 2, 3***

The total blood volume collection will be approximately 80 mL (approximately 5.5 tablespoons), over the period from screening (Visit 1) to the end of the study (Visit 3) (approximately 132 days). At any study visit, blood volume collected is not expected to exceed 40 mL (approximately 3 tablespoons). If needed, additional blood samples may be collected during the course of the study in order to perform or repeat laboratory tests.

***Urine Samples – Visits 1, 2, 3***

Individuals of child-bearing potential will be required to provide a urine sample for a urine pregnancy test. You will be provided with a collection container and instructions on how to provide the sample in clinic.

***Fecal Samples – Visits 2, 3***

You will be required to collect a fecal (stool) sample for visit 2 and visit 3. You will be provided with a collection kit and instructions on how to collect, store, and transport the sample.

***Questionnaires***

- *Everyday Memory Questionnaire (EMQ)* – It will be used as a screening tool to identify if you have self-reported memory problems (Visits 1, 2, 3)
- *Mini Mental State Examination-2 Standard Version (MMSE-2)* – It will be used to assess seven areas of cognition that are widely used for measuring cognitive impairment (Visit 1)
- *Computerized Mental Performance Assessment System (COMPASS)* – A computerized test that will be used to assess the key areas of brain function (Visits 2, 3)

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- *Modified Gastrointestinal Symptoms Rating Scale (GSRS)* – This will evaluate common symptoms of gastrointestinal disorders (Visits 2, 3)
- *Product Perception Questionnaire (PPQ)* – This will be used at the end of the study to assess your overall perception of the study product (Visit 3)

**Food Records – Visits 2, 3**

You will complete food and beverage consumption records prior to visit 2 and visit 3.

**Study Diary**

You will complete an online study diary daily throughout the study. Questions about study product use, lifestyle habits and any changes in health will be included.

**Schedule of Study Visits**

You are required to avoid caffeine and alcohol for 24 hours, and first-generation antihistamines (anti-allergy) medications for 48 hours prior to all in-clinic visits. Additionally, you are required to be fasted for at least 12 hours from foods and drinks (except water) prior to visit 2 and visit 3.

| <b>Visit 1 – Screening</b><br><i>Some portions of this visit may occur virtually prior to coming into clinic</i>   |
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| <p>After informed consent is obtained, the screening assessments will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of medical history, medications, current health status, any changes in health</li> <li>• Urine pregnancy test (if applicable)</li> <li>• Seated resting Blood Pressure (BP) and Heart Rate (HR) measurements</li> <li>• Weight and height measurements</li> <li>• Blood samples</li> <li>• MMSE-2 and EMQ</li> <li>• Fecal sample collection kit and food records will be provided</li> <li>• Potential eligibility will be assessed</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Visit 2 – Enrollment (Day 0)</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Return to clinic with completed food records and fecal sample</li> <li>• Review of medications, current health status, any changes in health, and food records</li> <li>• Urine pregnancy test (if applicable)</li> <li>• Seated resting BP and HR measurements</li> <li>• Weight measurements</li> <li>• COMPASS, GSRS, and EMQ</li> </ul> <p>If you still meet all study requirements and are eligible, you will be randomized.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fecal sample collection kit, food records, study product, and study diary will be provided</li> <li>• Blood samples</li> </ul> |

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| <b>Compliance Touchpoint (Day 42 ± 3 days)</b>   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinic staff will contact you to review any changes in health or medications and to confirm study product compliance (confirm you have taken the study product as directed)</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Visit 3 – End of Study (Day 84 ± 3 days)</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Return all unused and opened study product packaging, fecal sample, completed study diaries and food records</li> <li>• Review of medications, current health status, any changes in health, study diaries, and food records</li> <li>• Urine pregnancy test (if applicable)</li> <li>• Seated resting BP and HR measurements</li> <li>• Weight measurements</li> <li>• COMPASS, GSRS, EMQ, and PPQ</li> <li>• Blood samples</li> </ul> |

**Medications, Supplements, And Food/Drinks**

If you are taking any prescribed medications, you must agree to maintain your dosing regimen during the study, unless otherwise recommended by your general/nurse practitioner. If they recommend any medication or dose changes, please notify the study staff immediately. You should not discontinue your regular medications unless explicitly instructed by your general/nurse practitioner. Stopping regular medications without medical advice to join this study may worsen your health. If you stop your regular medications, inform the study staff immediately.

- If you are taking any prescribed medications and/or treatments which may affect the study outcomes, you may only be assessed for eligibility if you have been taken off these therapies by your general/nurse practitioner. The study doctor will recommend an appropriate washout period prior to enrollment in the study.
- If you use any over-the-counter medications, supplements and/or foods and drinks which may affect the study outcomes, you must be willing to stop taking them and agree not to consume these items during the study. The study doctor will recommend an appropriate washout period prior to enrollment in the study.

**Washout Period:** This is a period of time recommended by the study doctor to allow restricted substances (such as medications, supplements, foods, or drinks) to clear from the body before the study begins. If you have recently taken or stopped any restricted substances or participated in activities that conflict with the study, a washout period may be required before enrollment.

**Birth Control, Pregnancy, And Breastfeeding**

The effect of the study product on pregnancy and breast milk is not known. You must not participate if you are pregnant, breastfeeding or planning to become pregnant during the study.

Individuals able to become pregnant (not post-menopausal, have had a menstrual period in the past 1 year, or have not had any of the following surgeries: hysterectomy, bilateral oophorectomy, complete endometrial ablation, or bilateral tubal ligation) must have a negative screening and baseline urine pregnancy test and agree to use a medically approved method of birth control for the duration of the



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study. If you are using hormonal birth control, you must have been using it for at least 3 months prior to screening.

Some examples of approved methods of birth control include:

- Hormonal contraceptives including oral contraceptives, hormone birth control patch, vaginal contraceptive ring, injectable contraceptives, or hormone implant
- Double-barrier method
- Intrauterine devices (IUD)
- Non-heterosexual lifestyle or agree to use contraception if planning on changing to heterosexual partner(s)
- Vasectomy of partner at least 6 months prior to screening
- Abstinence and agree to use contraception if planning on becoming sexually active during the study

If you become pregnant during the study, you must stop taking the study product immediately and contact the study staff. You will be withdrawn from the study and the study doctor will follow up with you until the child's birth, collect information about your pregnancy, its outcome, and the health of your child.

**Since the study product is investigational, there may be other risks that are unknown. Additionally, there may be unknown risks to a pregnancy, embryo, or fetus if you become pregnant.**

### **Study Product Information**

The study product and placebo will be in the form of a capsule.

#### **Study Product – Lipase Thera-blend**

| Medicinal Ingredient                   | Quantity per capsule | Potency per capsule |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|
| Lipase from <i>Candida rugosa</i>      | 38.09 mg             | 11,654 FIP          |
| Lipase from <i>Rhizopus oryzae</i>     | 12.39 mg             | 3,346.05 FIP        |
| Lipase 1000 from <i>Candida rugosa</i> | 33.33 mg             | 33 FIP              |

**FIP:** Lipase activity is measured in FIP units. A FIP unit measures the potency of the enzyme and shows how much work it can do under standardized conditions.

**Non-medicinal ingredients:** Maltodextrin, Nu-Flow (Rice hulls), Hypromellose, Dextrin

#### **Study Product – Lipase Thera-blend + Tributyrin**

| Medicinal Ingredient               | Quantity per capsule | Potency per capsule |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Lipase from <i>Candida rugosa</i>  | 38.09 mg             | 11,654 FIP          |
| Lipase from <i>Rhizopus oryzae</i> | 12.39 mg             | 3,345.05 FIP        |
| Lipase 1000                        | 33.33 mg             | 33 FIP              |
| Butanoic acid                      | 101 mg               | 101 mg              |

**FIP:** Lipase activity is measured in FIP units. A FIP unit measures the potency of the enzyme and shows how much work it can do under standardized conditions.

**Non-medicinal ingredients:** Maltodextrin, Nu-Flow (Rice hulls), Hypromellose, Dextrin, Acacia and Silicon dioxide

**Placebo Ingredients:** Maltodextrin, Nu-Flow (Rice hulls), Hypromellose, Dextrin



**THIS IS AN IMPORTANT DOCUMENT – KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE****Directions:**

- You will take 1 capsule three times a day with food for approximately 84 days
- If you miss a dose, double the next dose
- Do not exceed 3 capsules a day
- You will save all unused and open study product packaging and return them to the clinic at the end of the study
- Store the study product at room temperature and do not expose to direct sunlight or heat

**Alternative Treatments**

You do not have to join this study to take care of your memory or general health. If you choose not to participate, other options include:

- Using commercially available supplements. There are over-the-counter dietary supplements promoted for memory support (such as omega-3 fatty acids, Ginkgo biloba, or others) which may or may not have clinical evidence that they work.
- Engaging in memory or brain training programs. Activities such as puzzles, computer-based cognitive training, or memory games may help support brain health.
- Making lifestyle changes. Regular exercise, healthy eating patterns (such as the Mediterranean or MIND diets), good sleep habits, and staying socially and mentally active may promote cognitive well-being.
- Speaking with your healthcare provider. If you have concerns about memory or cognitive function, you may wish to speak with a doctor for evaluation, advice, or referral.

**Additional Safeguards**

If you need regular medical care for current medical conditions, you should continue with this medical care unless otherwise instructed by your regular physician or other healthcare professional. For your safety, you must discuss your current medical care with the study staff, as well as changes in medical conditions during the study. In addition, all new medications including supplements and natural health products (NHPs) that are taken during the study should be reported to the study staff.

**Risks To You**

It is possible that you could have problems or side effects from the study product that nobody knows about yet. There may be unknown risks with taking the study product. Potential side-effects of taking the study product may include:

- Abdominal Discomfort (such as pain, nausea, diarrhea, constipation, bloating)

Fasting for 12 hours may cause temporary symptoms such as hunger, light-headedness, or fatigue.

Some risks associated with blood collection may include pain, bruising, and infection at the site. Alcohol swabs and proper blood collection procedures will be followed to minimize the risk of infection. Fainting during a blood draw can occur, though it is not common. Please advise the study staff if you normally faint with blood draws.

**Could I Have an Allergic Reaction?**

It is possible for people to have allergic reactions to the study product. If you have a serious allergic reaction, you could die. Please read the study ingredients carefully to make sure you are not allergic to

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any of them. Some effects of an allergic reaction that could be a sign of a life-threatening (anaphylaxis) include:

- Rash
- Difficulty of Breathing
- Wheezing
- Sudden drop in blood pressure (making you feel dizzy or lightheaded)
- Swelling around the mouth, throat, or eyes
- Fast pulse
- Sweating

If you have any of the above-listed effects or any other side effects during the study, you should get medical help or go to the emergency room immediately and then contact the study staff. Please also refer to section “Whom to Contact About This Study” for instructions on what to do in case of an emergency.

Contact the study staff if you have questions about the signs or symptoms of any side-effects you read about in this consent form.

Please inform the study staff right away if you experience any side-effects, problems with your health or the way you feel during the study, and whether you think these problems are related to the study products or not.

**Potential Risks From E-Consent**

You may receive a link via email/text message to download a PDF copy of this signed consent form. There may be risks of loss of privacy and confidentiality if the PDF copy of this consent form is viewed and/or stored on a personal electronic device (PED), especially if that PED is shared with other users or is lost, hacked, or subject to a search warrant or subpoena. Also, the PDF copy of the consent may not be able to be permanently removed from a PED.

**Withdrawal From the Study**

- Your participation in this research study is strictly voluntary. You have the right to choose not to be in the study or leave at any time, for any reason, without affecting your relationship with the study doctor or study staff and without penalty or loss of benefits to which you are otherwise entitled.
- If you discontinue the study for whatever reason, you are expected to return all study materials, such as study product, to the clinic.
- You may be asked to undergo some final visit procedures. These may include returning to the clinic to provide a final blood sample to test your markers of general health, any end-of-study assessments, or questionnaires.
- If the study doctor or study staff finds out any related information that may greatly affect your well-being (for example, information related to your health), they will share it with you immediately.

The Sponsor has the right to stop the study at any time.

The study doctor may also stop your participation in the study at any time without your consent, but you will be informed about the reason. Reasons for this may include, but are not limited to:

- Missing scheduled study visits
- Not taking study product as directed

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- Not completing required assessments or procedures
- Development of medical conditions or serious side-effects that may pose a health risk to you or the study outcomes
- The need for restricted medication(s) during the study
- If you become pregnant during the study

**New Findings**

Any significant findings that become available during the study which may influence your continued participation in the study will be disclosed to you as soon as possible.

**Benefits**

There may be no immediate benefit to you. Your memory may get better, stay the same or get worse. The results of this study will provide some of the required scientific evidence for the study products in this clinical research study. Your participation in this study supports the research that is required to ensure the science behind the study products.

**Costs To You**

- All the tests, study products, examinations, and medical care required as part of this study are provided at no cost to you, the public health plan, or your private medical insurance. All costs will be paid for by the Sponsor of this study.
- You, the public health plan, or your personal medical insurance (if any) should continue to pay for expenses for your current medical care and/or prescriptions. These expenses will not be paid as part of your participation in this study.
- The Sponsor of this study is paying your study doctor for the time, effort, and expenses to conduct this study.

**Compensation For Participation**

For your time and participation in the study, you will be compensated a total of \$700 if you complete the entire study and all associated requirements.

You will receive your compensation after completion of the study on a ClinCard, which can be used like a prepaid Mastercard. It can be used anywhere that accepts Mastercard, or the funds can be withdrawn from an ATM (ATM fees apply). Processing times may apply before funds become available on your ClinCard.

If you are enrolled (completed visit 2 and received study product), the compensation breakdown is as follows:

- Screening Visit 1: \$0
- Visit 2: \$250
- Visit 3: \$450

Once enrolled, for any case in which you or the study doctor determine you cannot complete all the study visits and assessments, you will receive compensation for the visits you have completed. An early termination visit will be requested where you will bring back all study-related materials and be requested to complete some blood work and visit procedures if you consent to doing so. If you complete the early termination visit, you will be compensated \$50.

**THIS IS AN IMPORTANT DOCUMENT – KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE****Compensation And Treatment for Injury**

- In case of an injury or illness suffered while, and solely as a result of participating in this study, you will receive appropriate medical care. The Sponsor will cover necessary medical costs not covered by the provincial health plan or your private medical insurance (if any). By signing this form, you are not giving up your legal rights, nor releasing the study doctor or Sponsors from their legal and professional obligations.
- Be aware that the provincial health plan or your health care payer/insurer might not cover the costs of study-related injuries or illnesses.

**Confidentiality Of Records**

- Staff at KGK Science (the contract research organization managing this study) will keep all your medical information confidential to the extent permitted by law.
- All research data (health information, past medical history, and test results from this study) will be kept in a locked file. Forms on which your information is entered will not contain your name (except for the study intake form and/or external requisitions if applicable)
- Any of your personal information that is stored electronically will be password protected, accessible only to authorized personnel and coded wherever possible. Electronic data may be stored on secure servers which are physically located in Canada and/or the United States.
- You will not be identified in any publication that might result from the study. Unless required by law, only the following may have access to confidential study data (not your personal information) at the study site:
  - The study doctor and study staff
  - The Sponsor (including its monitors and auditors)
  - Members of the Research Ethics Board - Univo REB (an independent ethics committee that reviewed the ethical aspects of this study to help ensure that the rights and welfare of participants are protected and that the study is carried out in an ethical manner)
  - Government regulatory authorities including Health Canada and other foreign regulatory agencies.
- While the Sponsor will not have access to your personal identifying information, the study doctor, study staff, monitors, auditors, REB, and regulatory authorities may review study records, which could include your personal identifying information (such as the signed consent form) for compliance and verification purposes.
- All study data will be archived for a minimum of 15 years from the date of completion of the study in accordance with Health Canada regulatory requirements.
- Information from this study will be submitted to the Sponsor. Information sent from the study site will not contain your name.
- You have the right to check your study records and request changes if the information is incorrect.
- While every effort will be made to protect the privacy of your information, absolute confidentiality cannot be guaranteed. This does not limit the duty of the researchers and others to protect your privacy.
- As part of this research study, you may be required to use one or more of the following: a phone or web app/ site, an electronic study diary (eDiary), or a device that tracks information about you. While using these, information about you may be collected and shared with the researchers or people outside of the study. This data might include personal health information, location, call logs, text message history, web browsing history, or social media use. A complete description of the data collection and sharing for an app, eDiary, or device can commonly be found in the Terms of Use, End

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User License Agreement, or Privacy Policy associated with the device. If you would like to read these documents, request a copy or instructions about how to access this information from the study doctor.

- While the Terms of Use, End User License Agreement, or Privacy Policy may include statements limiting your rights if you are harmed as a result of your use of the app, eDiary, or device in this study, you do not release the investigator, sponsor, institution, or agents for responsibilities from mistakes. You also do not waive any of your rights as a research study participant.

**By signing and dating the consent form, you give your consent to collect, use and disclose your health information as described above.**

A description of this clinical trial will be available on <https://www.ClinicalTrials.gov> as required by U.S. Law. This Web site will not include information that can identify you. At most, the Web site will include a summary of the results. You can search this Web site at any time.

### **Future Use of Data and Specimens**

- Your personal information and/or biospecimens collected during this study may be stored and used for future research. If so, any personal identifiers will be removed so that the information or samples cannot be linked back to you. As a result, we will no longer be able to identify them or identify you.
- Study doctors, including study doctors from collaborating institutions, can request this data and samples for new research. Samples and data may also be shared with outside non-profit academic study doctors as well as with for-profit study doctors or commercial entities, with whom we collaborate.
- You will not be asked to provide additional informed consent for the use of your de-identified information or samples in future research.
- Future research studies may include genetic research. Your genes are unique to you. At this time, you cannot be identified through this research. There is a risk that you might be reidentified in the future as genetic research progresses.

### **Future Contact**

By participating in this study, you agree that the study staff may contact you in the future should additional information be needed. This contact would only occur if more data specifically related to your participation in this study were required after you have completed the study, or the study has concluded/expired. Any additional information gathered will be handled with the same confidentiality and privacy protections outlined in this consent form. You may choose not to provide additional information if contacted in the future, without any penalty or effect on the care or benefits you receive.

### **Whom To Contact About This Study**

You can contact the study staff via email or by telephone listed on the first page of this document during the study if you experience any medical problems, suffer a research-related injury, or have questions, concerns, or complaints about the study such as:

- Whom to contact in the case of a research-related injury or illness;
- Payment or compensation for being in the study, if any;
- Your responsibilities as a research participant;
- Eligibility to participate in the study;
- The study doctor's or study site's decision to withdraw you from participation;
- Results of tests and/or procedures;

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If you seek emergency care, or hospitalization is required, alert the treating physician that you are participating in this research study and please inform the KGK Science study staff.

A research ethics board (REB) is an independent committee that helps to protect the rights and welfare of research participants. If you have any questions about your rights and welfare as a research participant, or have concerns or complaints regarding this research study, please contact Univo REB at (919) 910-7743 or via email at [info@univo-group.com](mailto:info@univo-group.com).



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By signing and dating this document I agree that I have been provided enough time to read and consider whether to participate. I have reviewed and understand all pages of the consent form and information it contains regarding the study in a language I understand. I have been given the opportunity to ask all my questions regarding the study with answers to my satisfaction. I understand that I may consult with the study staff, should anything become unclear or if I have further questions.

I volunteer to be in this study at my own free will and without being pressured by the study doctor or the study staff knowing I have the opportunity to leave at any time without giving a reason and without affecting my health care. I understand that if I choose to withdraw from the study, I must notify the study staff. The risks involved with participating in this study are clear to me. I agree to follow the study instructions provided to me by the study staff and understand I may not participate in another study while I am enrolled in this study.

It is clear to me that my data derived from this study will be kept anonymous and may be reviewed by the Sponsor, their agents, the Institutional Review Board (Research Ethics Review Board), Health Canada and other foreign regulatory agencies. I understand that all my personal information will be treated as strictly confidential, except where disclosure is required by law, and will not be made publicly available; however, absolute confidentiality cannot be guaranteed.

I know that the study product is for my use only. I will not share it with anyone, and I will store it in a safe place away from children, pets, or others for whom it is not intended.

By signing and dating this document, I do not waive any of my rights under the law or release the study doctor or Sponsor from their legal and professional obligations.

I understand that I will receive a copy of this signed and dated consent form and am expected to keep a copy for my record.

**IN THE EVENT THAT ELECTRONIC CONSENT IS NOT AVAILABLE:**

By signing this informed consent document, you acknowledge that you have read and fully understand all pages of the information presented in it, had enough time to consider this information, had an opportunity to ask questions, and voluntarily agree to be in this study.

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Printed Name of Participant

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Signature of Participant

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Date (MMM,DD,YYYY)

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Time (HH:MM) AM/PM



**THIS IS AN IMPORTANT DOCUMENT – KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE****FOR PERSON EXPLAINING CONSENT**

I attest that the participant had enough time to consider this information, had an opportunity to ask questions, and voluntarily agreed to be in this study.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Person Explaining Consent

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Signature of Person Explaining Consent

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Date (MMM,DD,YYYY)

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Time (HH:MM)

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**FOR ELECTRONIC CONSENT:**

For electronic consent, your name, digital signature, date, and time of consenting will be added below by the consenting software. By adding your electronic signature, you consent to the material provided as if you were physically signing a hard copy of this document. By signing this informed consent document, you acknowledge that you have read and fully understand all pages of the information presented in it.

**Participant** – I voluntarily agree to participate in this study ↓