



Rights

You can decide not to answer any question you do not feel comfortable with and withdraw at any time you want, just let us know! We will not ask you for your reasons and you will not be penalized in any way. You will receive all the health cares you need irrespective of whether you participate in this research or not.



Questions

If you have any questions you can contact Dr Senga Omeonga from Saint Joseph's Catholic Hospital.

This study has been authorized by the Institutional Review Board of the University of Liberia.



DiagLiB: Improving Malaria Diagnosis in Liberia



What is this study for?

We want to understand how frequent malaria is among people with fever and among pregnant women attending their first Antenatal Care visit in the Saint Joseph's Catholic Hospital. We also want to compare different techniques to detect malaria parasites.



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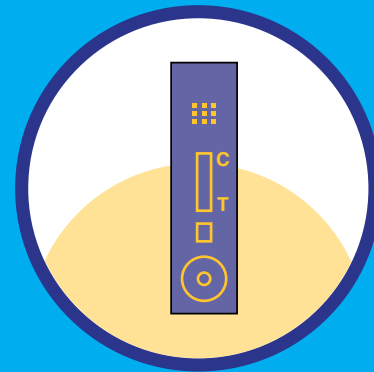


How?

If you accept to participate, we will:

- a** Ask you some questions and collect eight drops of your finger's blood to test for malaria only.
- b** With your permission, store the samples for future studies on health issues that can improve the health of Liberian citizens.
- c** If you wish, we will ask you about what you think on storing samples for future research.

Your test results and information collected will be confidential.



Why?

The malaria parasite is transmitted through the bite of mosquitos. This is why it is important to use mosquito nets and window screens, to clean your house and surroundings, and to go to your nearest clinic if you have fever. Remember to take all the pills that your doctor or midwife gives you!.

Risks and Benefits

A prick on your finger may cause small pain or discomfort. However, your participation will benefit the community because the results of this research will help us to understand what we need to do to improve malaria diagnosis.

