An investigation of the etiology of hearing loss in sudden sensorineural hearing loss patients

PURPOSE OF THIS STUDY:

To identify and determine the role of unique small regulatory molecules (microRNAs) found in individuals with sudden sensorineural hearing loss (SSNHL) by comparing findings with demographically matched normal hearing healthy controls.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

The target population in this study will be adults \geq 18-year-old with "normal hearing range". A minimum of 50 adults of either sex will be recruited. Participants will be asked to fill a simple online questionnaire to assess their eligibility before the recruitment.

WHAT IS INVOLVED?

Participants will be asked to provide 10ml of blood and information concerning their general health, medical history, and demographical information. Participants will undergo free physical ear examination and free hearing tests and all the procedures will be completed in a single visit of approximately 2 hours duration.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Printha Wijesinghe, Research Assistant Phone: 604.875.5341 604.875.4111 ext.61621 Email: printha.wijesinghe@ubc.ca

Lend a hand. Help find hope for future generations.



vchri.ca/participate

vancouver CoastalHealth Research Institute

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR

Dr. Desmond A Nunez Associate Professor, Department of Surgery, UBC Head, Division of Otolaryngology, UBC VCH Research Institute Affiliated Investigator STUDY TIME/DURATION July 2017 - July 2019

STUDY LOCATION

Ear, Nose and Throat Clinic and Audiology Clinic at the Diamond Health Care Centre

To learn more about this study, visit vchri.ca/participate