COMPOUND AUTHORIZATION AND CONSENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN A YALE OCD RESEARCH CLINIC VOLUNTEER DATABASE
YALE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
CONNECTICUT MENTAL HEALTH CENTER
– CLINICAL NEUROSCIENCE RESEARCH UNIT

Study Title: ***Biomarkers of clinical subtype and treatment response in obsessive-compulsive disorder.***
Principal Investigator: *Christopher Pittenger M.D., Ph.D.*
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For subjects that have been diagnosed with OCD or with another mood or anxiety disorder .

You are invited to take part in an online research database that will gather contact information for your possible future study participation. If you would like to register in the Yale OCD Research Clinic Volunteer Database because you would like to be contacted if there is a research study at our clinic that meets your interest, please read this form and show that you want to register by clicking on the button below.

Once you have registered to be contacted, a research clinic staff member will contact you and you will be given enough information in order to decide whether or not you wish to be a part of the research study.

What Information Do I Have to Provide?

The information that we will collect and store about you is your name, contact information such as your address and telephone number, age, whether you are male or female, your race, ethnicity, and primary language, the types of research that you are interested in participating in, and any additional information that you add that might help us determine which studies may be of interest to you. We also ask that you let us know your preferred contact methods and whether you prefer to receive occasional information from our research clinic regarding any clinical trials.

Where Will My Information Be Stored and Who Will See It?

The information that you provide will be stored in a computer at the Yale OCD Research Clinic, which is connected to the Yale University School of Medicine network. Individuals who may see the information are listed in this form. Our staff will be provided information about you from the database. Researchers and staff may also be provided with information about you from the database to find out whether there are enough potential volunteers available for a research study that they are thinking of developing. This information will not individually identify you, but will only provide reports in a summary manner noting the total number of volunteers available by age, gender, and interest.

Are There Any Risks To Registering?

You should know that whenever information is gathered about an individual there is a risk that it might be shared improperly. This risk is very low because we maintain the information in a confidential manner. Still, if disclosed, information about you such as your contact information and interest in participating in a particular type of study could embarrass you or cause you to feel stressed. There may be other risks that have not yet been identified. You do not give up any legal rights by registering in the database.

What Are the Benefits If I Register?
Participation in the research subject database could have the benefit of connecting you with a study in which you may choose to participate. However, you may not receive any benefit from registering. There may not be a research study in which you are interested or for which you qualify.

Does Registration Cost Anything?
There are no costs to you for participating in the research volunteer database. You will not be paid for your participation in the research volunteer database.

What About Rights to Privacy?
We will keep your information confidential as allowed by state and federal law. We will keep the information that you provide indefinitely until, and if, you ask us to delete it. If you decide that you do not wish to participate in the database any more, please either delete your Volunteer Profile or call the Yale OCD Research Clinic at (203) 734-7534. Please follow up your telephone request with a written notice to the Yale OCD Research Clinic, 34 Park St, Room 326A, New Haven, Connecticut 06519. Upon receipt of your written notice, we will delete all information about you from the database. When you delete your Volunteer Profile online, your information will be removed from the system automatically and you will no longer receive information about research studies at Yale. If you would like to register at a later date, you will need to create a new Volunteer Profile.

Information that you provide may be used by or given to: the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) agencies, the National Institute of Health (NIH), representatives from Yale University, the Yale Human Research Protection Program and the Human Investigation Committee (the committee that reviews, approves, and monitors research on human subjects), who are responsible for insuring research compliance; Yale University School of Medicine, Connecticut Mental Health Center-Clinical Neuroscience Research Unit (CMHC-CNRU); Yale OCD Research Clinic and the principal investigator, Christopher Pittenger, MD, Ph.D, co-investigators, study coordinators and members of the research team involved in the collection of information about you, and others authorized to monitor the conduct of the study.

All healthcare providers subject to HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) are required to protect the privacy of your information. The research staffs at the Yale University School of Medicine, Connecticut Mental Health Center-Clinical Neuroscience Research Unit (CMHC-CNRU) and Yale OCD Research Clinic are required to comply with HIPAA and to ensure the confidentiality of your information. To better protect your privacy; all individuals listed as having access to the database are required to keep your information confidential.

By clicking on the button below this form, you authorize the use and/or disclosure of the information described above for this research study. The purpose for the uses and disclosures you are authorizing is to ensure that the information relating to this research is available to all parties who may need it for research purposes.

You are free to choose not to take part in this study.

The researchers may withdraw you from participating in the research if necessary based on their clinical judgment or in the event that you indicate that you are not willing to continue.

If you choose not to participate or if you withdraw it will not harm your relationship with your own doctors or with Yale University, the Yale OCD Research Clinic, Yale-New Haven Hospital, or the Connecticut Mental Health Center.

What If I Have Questions?

Please feel free to ask about anything you don't understand and to consider participation in the research database and the consent form carefully – as long as you feel is necessary – before you make a decision. Questions about the database should be made to Mac Kelly (203) 974-7534 or Eileen Billingslea at (203) 974-7768.

If you have any questions concerning your rights as a research volunteer, you may contact the Human Investigation Committee at (203) 785-4688. If you have any questions about your privacy rights, please contact the Yale Privacy Officer at (203) 436-3650.

If you have further questions about this project or if you have a research-related problem, you may contact the Principal Investigator Christopher Pittenger, MD, Ph.D at (203) 974-7675. If you would like to talk with someone other than the researchers to discuss problems, concerns, and questions you may have concerning this research, or to discuss your rights as a research subject, you may contact the Yale Human Investigation Committee at (203) 785-4688