

# Dietary biomarkers of commonly consumed foods

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## Plain English summary of protocol

### Background and study aims

Assessment of dietary intake is key to understand the links between diet and health. Here, researchers are going to study molecules in urine and blood samples to that them an insight into what people have eaten. These new molecules are called dietary biomarkers. This study will help to identify new molecules that can act as biomarkers of commonly consumed foods. These can then be used in the assessment of diet, identification of diet-related diseases and used how to explain how a dietary intervention (programme) will work , thereby adding to scientific knowledge.

### Who can participate?

Healthy adults between 18-60 with a body mass index (BMI) between 18.5 and 30 kg/m2.

### What does the study involve?

Each participant is asked to eat one of each of the following foods at a time, in a random order: broccoli, red bell peppers, oranges, apples, madeira sponge cake, spaghetti, white bread, wholemeal bread and cheddar cheese. They are asked for urine and blood samples for up to 4 hours after eating each food. They are also asked for a fasting blood sample and urine sample one day after eating the foods. The samples are then analysed for dietary biomarkers.

### What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

There are no known benefits or risks to taking part in this study.

### Where is the study run from?

University College Dublin (Ireland)

### When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for?

December 2015 to December 2017

### Who is funding the study?

European Research Council (Belgium)

Who is the main contact?  
Professor Lorraine Brennan

## Contact information

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Scientific

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## Additional identifiers

**EudraCT/CTIS number**

**IRAS number**

**ClinicalTrials.gov number**

**Secondary identifying numbers**  
N/A

## Study information

**Scientific Title**  
The identification of dietary biomarkers using a metabolomics based approach

**Study objectives**  
Small molecules found in biofluids will reflect dietary intake of specific foods.

**Ethics approval required**  
Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**  
University College Dublin (UCD) Human Research Ethics Committee – Sciences, 08/12/2015, ref: LS-15-69-Brennan

**Study design**

Single centre randomised cross over trial

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Secondary study design**

Randomised cross over trial

**Study setting(s)**

Other

**Study type(s)**

Other

**Participant information sheet**

Not available in web format, please use contact details to request a participant information sheet

**Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied**

Dietary biomarkers

**Interventions**

Randomised study where subjects will consume one of the following in random order on one occasion only and samples will be collected following consumption (up to 4 h post consumption): Broccoli, red bell peppers, oranges, apples, madeira sponge cake, spaghetti, white bread, wholemeal bread and cheddar cheese.

One day after consumption of the foods a fasting blood and urine sample will also be collected.

**Intervention Type**

Other

**Primary outcome measure**

Identification of markers in blood and urine that relate to the consumption of the food.

**Secondary outcome measures**

No secondary outcome measures

**Overall study start date**

01/12/2015

**Completion date**

01/12/2017

**Eligibility**

**Key inclusion criteria**

1. Healthy adults aged between 18 and 60 years old
2. BMI > 18.5 and < 30 kg/m<sup>2</sup>

**Participant type(s)**

Healthy volunteer

**Age group**

Adult

**Lower age limit**

18 Years

**Sex**

Both

**Target number of participants**

24 including a 20% dropout

**Key exclusion criteria**

1. Smokers
2. Diagnosed health condition (chronic or infectious disease)
3. Taking medication (oral contraceptive pill is allowed)
4. Pregnant, lactating
5. Allergies/intolerances to any of specified test foods

**Date of first enrolment**

04/01/2016

**Date of final enrolment**

01/01/2017

## **Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

Ireland

**Study participating centre**

University College Dublin (UCD)

Dublin 4

Dublin

Ireland

D4

## **Sponsor information**

**Organisation**

University College Dublin

**Sponsor details**

Belfield  
Dublin  
Ireland  
D4

**Sponsor type**

University/education

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/05m7pjf47>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**

Government

**Funder Name**

European Research Council

**Alternative Name(s)**

ERC

**Funding Body Type**

Government organisation

**Funding Body Subtype**

National government

**Location**

## Results and Publications

**Publication and dissemination plan**

**Intention to publish date**

01/12/2017

**Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan**

Not provided at time of registration

**IPD sharing plan summary**

Not expected to be made available

**Study outputs**

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
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<a href="#">Results article</a>	Biomarkers of apple intake	20/04/2020	10/10/2022	Yes	No
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