



If you are interested in EPISTOP project please contact:



Research study that aims to explain the mechanisms of epileptogenesis

We encourage physicians and parents of children with TSC to take part in the study

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EPISTOP study:

- one of the biggest international project within Health Theme of 7th Framework Programme
- 9 clinical sites from Europe and 5 laboratories from Europe and U.S. engaged

The aim of the project is to better understand the mechanisms of epileptogenesis in children with tuberous sclerosis complex (TSC). The project has started in November 2013 and will run until October 2018. During that time the research will focus on risk factors of epilepsy, not only in children with TSC. We will also focus on comparing standard treatment versus early treatment of epilepsy.



Patients can contribute to the project by:

- participating in observational part of the study that includes video electroencephalography (videoEEG), brain magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and blood samples analysis (genetic, protein, immunological and other studies),
- participating in randomized part of the study that aims to examine the clinical benefit of early diagnosis of epilepsy and intervention in the form of antiepileptic drug treatment in TSC children that demonstrate electroencephalographic seizures
- providing consent for the studies on brain tissue samples, if relevant

Patients eligible for enrolment:

- fetuses and infants with cortical tubers and suspected TSC (before enrolment the confirmation of TSC diagnosis will be performed)
- infants and newborns up to 4th month of life with TSC diagnosis and without epilepsy

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