

PARTICIPATION CONDITIONS DNA-BENELUX-PROJECT

Participation conditions candidate

- Being of male sex, attained majority and obtained legal capacity.
- To request a DNA-analysis of the Y-chromosomal haplogroup and haplotype to be performed by Histories vzw and the Activity Centre for Forensic Genetics and Molecular Archaeology of the KU Leuven.
- To agree with the inclusion of your results in the databanks of the DNA-lab and of the DNA-Benelux-Project founded by Familiekunde Vlaanderen, where they only are accessible via a unique personal code and password.
- To fill in completely the inscription form, to undersign it, to date it and send it by post mail to Histories vzw – DNA, Zoutwerf 5, B-2800 Mechelen.
- To deliver within 8 days a GEDCOM-file (or equivalent alternative) with your pedigree and male descent of the paternal line going back at least till before 1800.
- The ancestry chart or pedigree has to mention for each person the following data (if available): the surname, the Christian name (or names), the date of birth, the place of birth, as well as for the marriage or relation data: the personal data of the partner as above, the date and place of the marriage.
- No direct male relative (father, son, uncle, cousin or grandson) has already participated in the DNA-Benelux-project.
- Make, to avoid loss by post mail, a copy for yourself and send by email a **scan** of the subscription form **together** with your GEDCOM-file to DNA@historiesvzw.be
- You are engaging to correspond via e-mail and to communicate any change of address, telephone or e-mail.
- To pay **within eight days** following the subscription the amount of **150 euro** on the bank account **IBAN: BE95 7370 4813 2958** of **Histories vzw, Zoutwerf 5, B-2800 Mechelen** mentioning **“DNA-Benelux-project”** and **your name as participant**.
- **To declare that you have read, understood and accepted unconditionally the privacy policy and the participation conditions of the project.**

Protection of the privacy

- All DNA-analyses organized by Histories vzw and executed by the KU Leuven are dealing exclusively with the (genealogical relevant) non-codifying genetic Y-chromosomal component.
- All conditions, as defined on the subscription form, have to be fulfilled and undersigned for agreement by the candidate, otherwise he cannot be accepted as participant. The following personal data are requested and guarded by the organization: surname, Christian names, birthplace and date of birth, address (street, number, box number, postcode, commune, country, telephone number and e-mail) in conformity with the regulation of the European GDPR.

The Activity Centre of Forensic Genetics and Molecular Archaeology of the KU Leuven also gives extra information concerning the protection of the privacy in an extra form which the participant has to undersign for agreement at the moment of the sampling. In addition, the participant has to agree with:

- the determination of his Y-chromosomal profile of his joined sample of mucosa for the purpose of genealogical research;
 - the use of his data in codified form for scientific studies having no relation to medical information or data.
- A mixed committee of the scientific staff of Histories vzw and of the Activity Centre of Forensic Genetics and Molecular Archaeology of the KU Leuven is guarding the ethical and scientific aspects of the research.
 - All participants receive via e-mail a certificate made by KU Leuven with their genetic results. It shows: their name, the kit number, the STR-allele value for each analysed marker, the (sub)haplogroup they belong to and the SNP-type defining that (sub)haplogroup.
 - The participant can claim freely by means of a simple request to the organizer to view all his personal data, to check them and to correct or delete them. He engages himself on passing on to the organizer all changes occurring in his personal data.
 - Individual participant results are never available to a third person, unless with explicit consent of the participants involved. Via the forum participants can contact one another, anonymous if they like, by means of a procedure based on the personal code.

<p>The organizer determines the data and places for the DNA-sampling, based on the number of participants in order to allow efficient use of the apparatus in het lab.</p>
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