Doctors at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) seek healthy volunteers (with or without a sickle cell trait) and patients with sickle cell for a research study. Sickle cell disease is a genetic blood disorder that occurs mainly in people of African descent. Study participants will have a one-time visit to the NIH to provide blood samples. Researchers hope this study will help us better understand sickle cell disease.

To be eligible for this study, you must:
◊ Be between the ages of 18 to 80 years
◊ Describe yourself as African or African American
◊ Not have had a blood transfusion within the last 8 weeks
◊ Not be pregnant

What is involved?
◊ Blood collection
◊ Genetic and DNA testing
◊ Compensation is provided

Location: The NIH Clinical Center is America’s Research Hospital is located in Bethesda, Maryland, on the Metro red line (Medical Center stop).

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