



Alliance Chinese-Canadian Participant Newsletter

Dear Participants, Colleagues and Alliance Chinese-Canadian Study Supporters!

Thanks to your support, recruitment for our study has been very successful! **We anticipate reaching our enrollment targets by the end of October and plan on closing new study enrollment on or before October 31st, 2017.** We will be continuing to conduct MRI study visits for enrolled participants through November and December 2017. Interested participants should sign up soon to secure their spot in the study. Participants who are already enrolled in the study should complete their questionnaires within one month of receiving the link as we close incomplete questionnaires to enable new participants to join the study.

- The Alliance Chinese-Canadian Study Research Team

MRI Souvenir Videos and Risk Reports

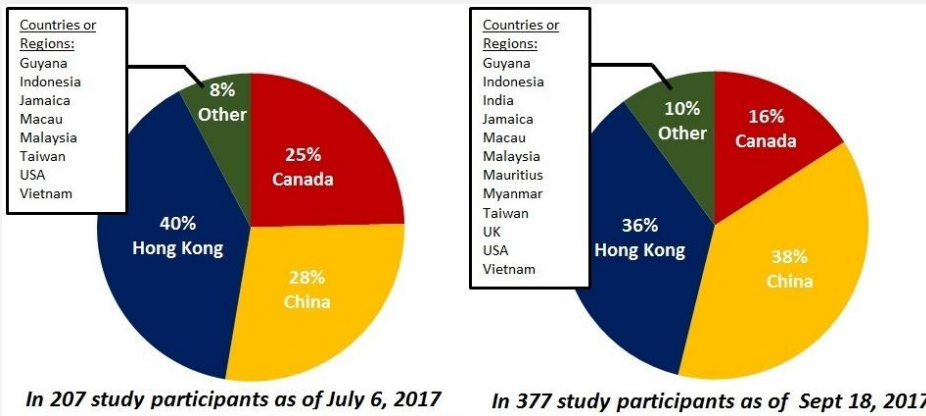
We have completed the souvenir MRI videos of participants scanned prior to July 31st, 2017 and are in the process of sending them out. The heart health risk reports are being issued on an on-going basis as participants complete the questionnaires.

MRI Scan Incidental Findings

We are reporting to those participants who have been identified as having any of 5 severe structural abnormalities (e.g., unexpected potentially malignant mass). Our aim is to report back to all participants with abnormalities within 3 months of having their MRI scan. We have completed initial reading of scans for participants who have completed their MRI visit prior to August 31st, 2017. To date, about 6% of participants have been found to have one of these abnormalities.



We've noticed an interesting shift in the country of birth demographics from our last newsletter. The below graph is a comparison of the country of birth demographics of 207 participants enrolled in the study as of July (left graph) and 377 participants enrolled as of September (right graph).



Approximately 57% of the participants currently enrolled are female and 43% are males. We would especially welcome more male participants to join the study.

Join the Alliance!
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Study enrollment ends **October 31st, 2017!**

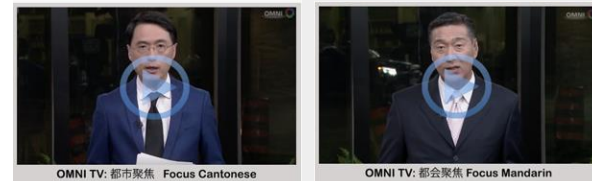
Interested participants should sign up by e-mailing alliance@ices.on.ca

If you are participating in the study and have questions regarding the on-line consent, questionnaires, videos or risk report, please contact us by email or telephone. We're happy to help!

Stay tuned for future newsletters and visit our website for interim updates!

Alliance in the Media

See the recent coverage of our study on [OMNI TV: Focus Cantonese](#) and [OMNI TV: Focus Mandarin](#). For more Alliance in the Media, please visit the "In the News" section of our [website](#).



We will be running print and digital ads in the Toronto Star during October, 2017. To the right is a copy of our digital ad.

Heart disease is rising among Chinese-Canadians.

✓ Are you Chinese-Canadian, aged 35 to 69?

✓ Living in the Greater Toronto Area?

We need your help!



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