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Dear Friend,

We're writing to invite people with Parkinson's disease (PD), to join a revolutionary new online community that is focused on paving the way to breakthrough discoveries about how our genes and environment influence PD. The National Parkinson Foundation is joining 23andMe, the leading provider of personal genetics services, in enabling access to this exciting new opportunity. The requirements are simple: provide a small saliva sample for genetic analysis and agree to participate in online surveys about your experience with Parkinson's. We hope you will consider joining us.

The 23andMe Parkinson's Disease Community combines the power of the Internet with genetic analysis in an unprecedented manner. As a member, you will be able to:

- **Help transform the way PD research is conducted**
- **Understand and explore your personal genetic information**
- **Engage with the community**

For more information about the community and the 23andMe Personal Genome Service™, please visit www.23andme.com/pd

23andMe is making its Personal Genome Service™ available to friends of the National Parkinson Foundation for \$25 instead of the usual \$399 price, thanks to support from Google co-founder Sergey Brin.

If you decide to join, visit <http://www.parkinson.org/23andMe> and fill out the online form to request a code to use to access the \$25 price.

Historically, it has been a challenge for scientists to assemble and study populations of more than a few thousand individuals. Our aim is to assemble a much larger and diverse patient population -- at least 10,000 individuals -- that is available for ongoing research purposes. This is critical for magnifying the data contributed by each individual into a clear and readable signal that will allow scientists to push PD genetics closer to practical therapeutic relevance in treating the disease.

Best Wishes,

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