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**The effect of genital warts on psychosocial well-being
(Oriola study number 1180)**

PRIVACY NOTICE

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This is a privacy notice consistent with the Finnish Data Protection Act and the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) concerning a personal data register formed in connection with a survey. The study is funded by MSD Finland Oy and carried out by Oriola Finland Oy.

1. Data controller of the study

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2. Parties involved in the joint study project and division of responsibilities

Recipients and processors of personal data

National coordinator of the study: Tuire Prami (Ph.D., ERT)

Other researchers at Oriola, who have signed a non-disclosure agreement.

Study sponsor

MSD Finland Oy
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Division of responsibilities

Oriola is the controller of the study register and the processor of the register data. The sponsor of the study does not have access to the study register and only receives the study results in anonymous form.

The study is carried out by Oriola at clinics for sexually transmitted diseases in Finland.

3. Contact person in study-related matters

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4. Data protection officer's contact details

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5. Name, type and duration of the study

The effect of genital warts (condyloma) on psychosocial well-being

A one-time study carried out from 1.12.2024-31.12.2025. We aim to recruit 300 respondents for the study.

The study register is anonymous and contains no direct identifiers or other data that would allow linking the collected data to individual subjects.

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6. Description of the study project and the purpose of processing personal data

The purpose of the survey is to assess the potential effects of genital warts on the mental and social well-being, sexual health and quality of life of respondents. Persons over 18 years of age who have genital warts diagnosed by their doctor can participate in the study. A scientific publication will be written on the basis of the study results.

The survey is carried out electronically and respondents can answer the survey on a website, which can also be accessed through a QR code. Invitations to the study are distributed in Finnish clinics for sexually transmitted diseases where genital warts are treated.

7. Legal basis for the processing of personal data

In accordance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 and the Finnish Data Protection Act (1050/2018), the legal basis for the processing of the personal data is as follows:

Article 6.1a (consent given by the data subject), and in processing of special categories of personal data, GDPR, Article 9.2a (explicit consent given by the data subject).

8. Personal data contained in the study material

Sensitive personal data:

General background information on sexuality and condyloma, location of the treating unit (city), psychosocial disease burden experienced by respondents due to condyloma.

Other study data:

Age, gender, level of education, quality of life. The data content is based on questions designed for this study and on the 15D instrument for measuring quality of life previously developed in Finland.

9. Sources for personal data collection

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This is a survey in which participants respond electronically by means of a questionnaire. In addition, the results of the 15D component of the survey (survey on quality of life) will be compared with corresponding data previously collected from the Finnish population.

10. Transfer or disclosure of data outside the study team

Personal data will not be transferred or disclosed outside the study team.

11. Transfer or disclosure of data outside the EU or the European Economic Area

Data will not be transferred or disclosed outside the EU or the European Economic Area.

12. Automated decision-making

No automated decisions are made.

13. Principles for the protection of personal data

The data are confidential. The data will only be processed by persons who have the right to process the data because of their work duties.

Protection of manual material:

The survey involves no manual material; data are collected digitally.

Data processed by information systems:

username, password, logging of use, access control.

14. Processing of personal data after the end of the study

After the end of the study, the personal data register will be archived without direct identifiers at Oriola for a maximum of five years. After the archiving period, the personal data register of the study will be destroyed.

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15. The rights of the data subject and their potential limitations

This register does not collect any data that would identify a person and allow the recognition of an individual respondent. The right to erasure, rectification and portability of data, as mentioned in the EU GDPR, thus does not apply in this survey or in the register formed based on it.

Subjects who have any other questions related to the rights of the data subject are requested to contact the data controller, see Sections 1A and 11.

Right of appeal

If the data subject considers that the processing of their personal data has violated current data protection legislation, the data subject has the right to lodge a complaint with the Office of the Data Protection Ombudsman.

Contact details of the Data Protection Ombudsman:

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