



Information sheet for research project iGEM TU Eindhoven 2025

1. Introduction

You have been invited to take part in the research project iGEM TU Eindhoven 2025, because you have relevant expertise on the iGEM TU Eindhoven 2025 project.

Participation in this research project is voluntary: the decision to take part is up to you. Before you decide to participate, we would like to ask you to read the following information, so that you know what the research project is about, what we expect from you and how we deal with processing your personal data. Based on this information you can indicate via the consent declaration whether you consent to take part in this research project and the processing of your personal data.

You may of course always contact the Human Practices captain Kady Hoogenboom via igem@tue.nl, if you have any questions, or you can discuss this information with people you know.

2. Purpose of the research

This research project will be managed by Kady Hoogenboom as part of team iGEM in collaboration with the TU/e. The purpose of this research project is to collect information from literature and society to develop a project and participate in the iGEM competition.

The project is about engineering a biosensor to indicate the amount of bile acid in stool to diagnose bile acid malabsorption. By means of interviews with different experts, organizations, companies and patients, iGEM will get an impression on how the societal field participates in the project and how the project influences society. All findings from these interviews or surveys are processed and presented on a website, in an article or podcast and shared within the iGEM community in Paris.

3. Controller in the sense of the GDPR

The Eindhoven University of Technology is responsible for processing your personal data within the scope of the research. The contact details of iGEM TU Eindhoven and the TU/e are:

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4. What will taking part in the research project involve?

You will be taking part in a research project in which we will gather information by having an interview with you. For your participation in this research project, you will not be compensated.

5. Potential risks and inconveniences

Your participation in this research project does not involve any physical, legal or economic risks. You do not have to answer questions which you do not wish to answer. Your participation is voluntary. This means that you may end your participation at any moment you choose by letting the researcher know this. You do not have to explain why you decided to end your participation in the research project.

6. Withdrawing your consent and contact details

Participation in this research project is entirely voluntary. You may end your participation in the research project at any moment or withdraw your consent to use your data for the research, without specifying any reason. Ending your participation will have no disadvantageous consequences for you.

If you decide to end your participation during the research, the data which you already provided up to the moment of withdrawal of your consent will be used in the research.

Do you wish to end the research, or do you have any questions and/or complaints? Then please contact the Human Practices Captain Kady Hoogenboom via igem@tue.nl.

If you have specific questions about the handling of personal data, you can direct these to the data protection officer of TU/e by sending a mail to functionarisgegevensbescherming@tue.nl. Furthermore, you have the right to file a complaint with the Dutch data protection authority: the Autoriteit Persoonsgegevens.

Finally, you have the right to request access, rectification, erasure or adaptation of your data. Submit your request via igem@tue.nl.

7. Legal ground for processing your personal data

The legal basis upon which we process your data is consent.

8. What personal data from you do we gather and process?

Within the framework of the research project, we process the following personal data:

Category	Personal data
Contact data	Name, e-mail
Job profile	Job title, years of experience, name and location of employer
Other	Profile picture, photos/videos made during the event that could identify you

Within the framework of the research project **your personal data except your e-mail and phone number** will be shared with the worldwide iGEM community and will be placed on our website and wiki which is necessary in order to participate in the iGEM competition and to add credibility to our research findings. Moreover, **all personal data** will be shared with:

- [Storage solution: Microsoft OneDrive (EU)]
- [Survey tool: MS forms (Microsoft)]

9. Confidentiality of data

We will do everything we can to protect your privacy in the best way possible. The research results that will be published will not in any way contain confidential information or personal data from or about you through which anyone can recognize you, unless in our consent form you have explicitly given your consent for mentioning your name, job description, employer, and profile picture.

The personal data that were gathered via interviews and surveys, and other documents within the framework of this research project, will be stored on Microsoft OneDrive managed and provided by the ICT service of TU/e.

The raw and processed research data will be retained for 5 years. Ultimately, after expiration of this time period, the data will be either deleted or anonymized so that it can no longer be connected to an

individual person. The research data will, if necessary (e.g. for a check on scientific integrity) and only in anonymous form be made available to persons outside the research group.

If you give your consent, your data will be made available for future research of next iGEM TU Eindhoven teams of the next 5 years, for example by sharing those data with fellow researchers or making anonymized/pseudonymized data available via a data archive.

- The processed data and information from the interview and/or survey will be shared with the iGEM community, within the TU/e and with other partners of iGEM TU Eindhoven.
- The name of the participant, photos that include the participant, the employer and job title will be named in the article, on the wiki and on the website. On the wiki we will showcase our partners (including a profile picture) and a summary of the conversation/interview. In every case there will be no other personal data named or spread.
- The cooperation with the participant will be mentioned during presentations for the general audience and the iGEM community. The cooperation with the participant will be named on the iGEM TU Eindhoven website and wiki.

This research project was assessed and approved on 07-05-2025 by the ethical review committee of Eindhoven University of Technology.

***** Scroll down for the consent form *****

Consent form for participation by an adult

By signing this consent form I acknowledge the following:

1. I am sufficiently informed about the research project through a separate information sheet. I have read the information sheet and had the opportunity to ask questions. These questions have been answered satisfactorily.
2. I take part in this research project voluntarily. There is no explicit or implicit pressure for me to take part in this research project. It is clear to me that I can end participation in this research project at any moment, without giving any reason. I do not have to answer a question if I do not wish to do so.

Furthermore, I consent to the following parts of the research project:

3. I consent to processing my personal data gathered during the research in the way described in the information sheet.

YES NO

4. I consent to making notes during the interview and to processing my answers into a report.

YES NO

5. I consent to using my answers for quotes in the research publications (articles on the wiki & website of iGEM TU Eindhoven).

YES NO

6. I consent to using my profile picture/photos taken during the interview (articles on the wiki & website of iGEM TU Eindhoven).

YES NO

7. I consent to using videos taken during the interview (video on the wiki & website of iGEM TU Eindhoven).

YES NO

8. I consent to using photos and videos taken during the interview on social media platforms (e.g. Instagram or LinkedIn of iGEM TU Eindhoven).

YES NO

9. I consent to mentioning my true name in the abovementioned quotes.

YES NO

10. I consent to retaining research data gathered from me and using this for future research in the field of synthetic biology in which recognized ethical standards for scientific research are respected, and for education purposes.

YES NO

Name of Participant:

Signature:

Date:

Name of researcher:

Signature:

Date: