## **MICRO-PD**

Are you someone with Parkinson's Disease (PD) or someone who does not have PD who is willing to participate in a research study?

If so, you may be eligible for a biomarker study that will help us learn more about Parkinson's disease.

Goal of the study: The goal of the study is to identify one or more biomarkers of Parkinson's disease. A biomarker is a substance or characteristic in our bodies that is associated with the presence of disease, or that changes over time in a way that can be linked to the progression of disease. Identifying a biomarker is critical to the development of new and improved treatments for Parkinson's disease, particularly treatments that could slow or stop the progression of the disease.

## **Study Details**

**Who qualifies for the study?** Individuals with PD or control volunteers who do not have PD between 55 and 75 years of age.

What is involved if I participate? Participants for this study will come in for one visit. At this visit, individuals will have several clinical assessments, written surveys, a blood draw, and a lumbar puncture. Participants will be contacted by phone 7-10 days after the visit.

If you are interested in participating or want to learn more, please contact Ray or Christine at Boston University Medical Center:

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