

# MILITARY MYOSITIS STUDY

## Have you served in the military and been diagnosed with Myositis (Polymyositis, Dermatomyositis or Inclusion Body Myositis)?

Researchers at the National Institutes of Health (NIH), in cooperation with physicians at Military and Veterans Affairs treatment facilities, are conducting a study of persons who developed myositis during active duty compared to military personnel without autoimmune or muscle diseases to assess risk factors for myositis.

The study (13-E-0015, "Environmental Risk Factors for the Development of Myositis in Military Personnel") involves a medical history, physical exam, completing questionnaires and donating blood. There is no charge for evaluations and medical tests associated with this study. Compensation is provided for both participants and their enrolling physician.

### You may qualify for this study if:

1. You have been diagnosed with polymyositis, dermatomyositis or inclusion body myositis during military service, **OR**,  
You **do not** have myositis or another autoimmune or muscle disease and are able to be matched with a myositis patient.
2. You are able and willing to give an informed consent, complete questionnaires and donate blood samples.

### The study is being conducted at the following locations:

- NIH Clinical Center, Bethesda, MD
- NIEHS Clinical Research Unit, Research Triangle Park, NC
- Participating military and VA treatment facilities
- Your local doctor's office

### For more information about this study call:

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