

# The ECZEMA Research Study

## Frequently Asked Questions

If your child is between 3 months - 24 months old and struggles with dry, itchy patches of skin caused by eczema, you may be interested in a new clinical research study. The study is for an investigational, steroid-free topical ointment (applied twice daily) for mild-to-moderate eczema.

### 1. What is the purpose of a clinical study?

Clinical studies (also called clinical trials) are used to learn about the safety and effectiveness of possible new medications, medical devices, and medical procedures. Although there are many types of clinical trials, all must conform to strict rules set by county-specific regulatory authorities. These rules help protect the rights and safety of those who volunteer to take part in clinical trials.

### 2. Will I have to pay for anything if I participate?

If you choose to join the study, your child will receive all study-related care at no cost. This includes the study ointment, as well as any visits to your study doctor's office. You do not need insurance to participate.

### 3. Will I be compensated if I participate?

Yes, you may be reimbursed for your time and travel to attend study visits. Your local study center will be able to discuss these details with you.

### 4. How long does the study last?

If you join the study, your participation will last up to 3 months and require 5 scheduled visits to your local study center.

### 5. What happens during the visits?

At every visit, you will be asked about how your child is feeling, and your study doctor will examine your child's skin. Your study team will also review with you how to apply the study ointment. At 3 of the visits, your child will receive a routine physical exam. In addition, at your first and last visit your child will provide a blood sample for routine safety tests. Before you decide to participate, your study team will provide you with a detailed summary of what will happen at each visit, so that you can make an informed decision about joining the study.

### 6. What happens between the visits?

During the course of the study, your study team will call you a few times to check on how your child is feeling, and whether your child has started taking any new medications. The first phone call will be a few weeks into the study. After your final visit, your study team will call two more times over the next month to check in with you.

### 7. What if I join the study and decide I do not want to participate anymore?

As with all clinical studies, your participation is completely voluntary. You and your child may leave the study at any time without any effect on your future medical care.

### 8. I am interested in possibly moving forward. What is the next step?

Please contact your local study center, and they will work with you to schedule a convenient time for your initial visit.

Thank you once again for your interest in our study. Please do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions!