

Apple Study



Participants are needed to study the effects of eating whole apples on risk factors for obesity-related chronic diseases

<u>Participants must be</u>: 18 - 75 years old

Overweight or obese (BMI \geq 25.0 kg/m²),

or waist circumference of ≥ 40 " for males or ≥ 30 " for females

In generally good health

Able to tolerate acetaminophen-containing products (e.g. Tylenol)

Study participation involves:

- Eat 3 apples per day for 6 weeks, or no apples per day for 6 weeks if randomized to the "control" group
- Depending on your interest:
 - Attend 2, 1-hour study visits: provide blood sample
 OR
 - Attend 2, 7-hour study visits: consume a high-fat dairy drink and provide IV blood samples
 * NOTE: ~ 6 of the 7 hours will be "free time" for you (in the HNRU)
- Attend 2, 15-minute study visits: answer questions about your health and lifestyle
- Collect 6 fecal samples: 3 before, and 3 after the 6-week study
- Record a 3-day food diary on 3 separate occasions: twice before and once during the 6-week study

Total time commitment ≈ 5 or 18 hours over 8 weeks

*Financial Compensation Provided!

Up to \$240

To find out more about the study and your eligibility as a participant, please contact:

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^{*}Participants will be asked to limit consumption of polyphenol-rich foods (e.g. berries, coffee, chocolate, etc.)