

RAGWEED-INDUCED SEASONAL ALLERGIES.

- Seasonal allergies occur during certain times of the year
- Ragweed pollen can cause allergic reactions; up to half of all cases of pollen-related allergic rhinitis in North America are caused by ragweeds¹
- Symptoms may come on suddenly, start at almost any time during the ragweed season, and include runny nose, stuffy nose, sneezing, itchy nose, itchy eyes, and watery eyes
- Participation in clinical research studies is a way to help researchers develop new medication or therapy

¹ Frenz D, "Volumetric Ragweed Pollen Data for Eight Cities in the Continental United States," *Annals of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology* 82 (Jan 1999): 41-6.

WANT MORE INFORMATION?

Simply ask your doctor for more information or contact our clinic to see if your child may be eligible to participate.

CLINIC NAME:

CONTACT PERSON:

ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE NUMBER:



ARE RAGWEED ALLERGY SYMPTOMS AFFECTING YOUR CHILD?

Your child may be able to participate in a clinical research study for an investigational oral medication that is being studied to see if it may help symptoms of ragweed allergies in children.

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COULD YOUR CHILD BE ELIGIBLE?

We are looking for children ages 5 to 17 to participate in a clinical research study of an investigational medication in the form of a sublingual (under the tongue) tablet. The purpose of this study is to determine if the investigational medication is safe and effective at helping the symptoms of ragweed-induced seasonal allergies in children.

Approximately 1,000 volunteers around the world will participate in this clinical research study. The investigational study medication will be provided to study participants at no charge.

There may be risks associated with participating in this clinical trial. The study doctor will explain these risks to you, and answer any of your questions.

WHAT WILL YOUR CHILD BE ASKED TO DO?

Before enrolling into the study, your child will be asked to attend a screening visit where the study team will explain requirements and answer any questions you may have. The study team will ask you questions about your child's medical history and perform a physical examination and other tests.

If your child qualifies, participation will last at least 6 months, up to 18 months from the time you sign the informed consent form (ICF) through to final contact with the study team. Study participants will receive the investigational medication or a placebo (which does not have any active medication) for a few months before the ragweed allergy season begins and throughout the

season. There is an equal chance of receiving either the investigational medication or the placebo, and you will not know which has been assigned.

Your child will be given an e-diary to complete each day during the trial to monitor your child's allergy severity. Each entry should be completed in the evening before bedtime, preferably. If an entry cannot be completed for the e-diary at the regular time, it can be completed up until 9am the following day. An e-diary will be issued at Visit 2 and collected at Visit 8. Instructions on how to complete entries and e-diary findings will be reviewed with you or your child at all visits. In addition, medication approved for use in children and teens to relieve seasonal allergies (standard medication) will be provided right before the ragweed allergy season begins. If any of these medications are taken to relieve your child's allergy symptoms, this information will be reported on the e-diary. Either you or your child will keep the e-diary up-to-date.

There may be additional requirements that the study doctor will explain to you.

Visit www.msd.com/clinicaltrials to learn more about this study.