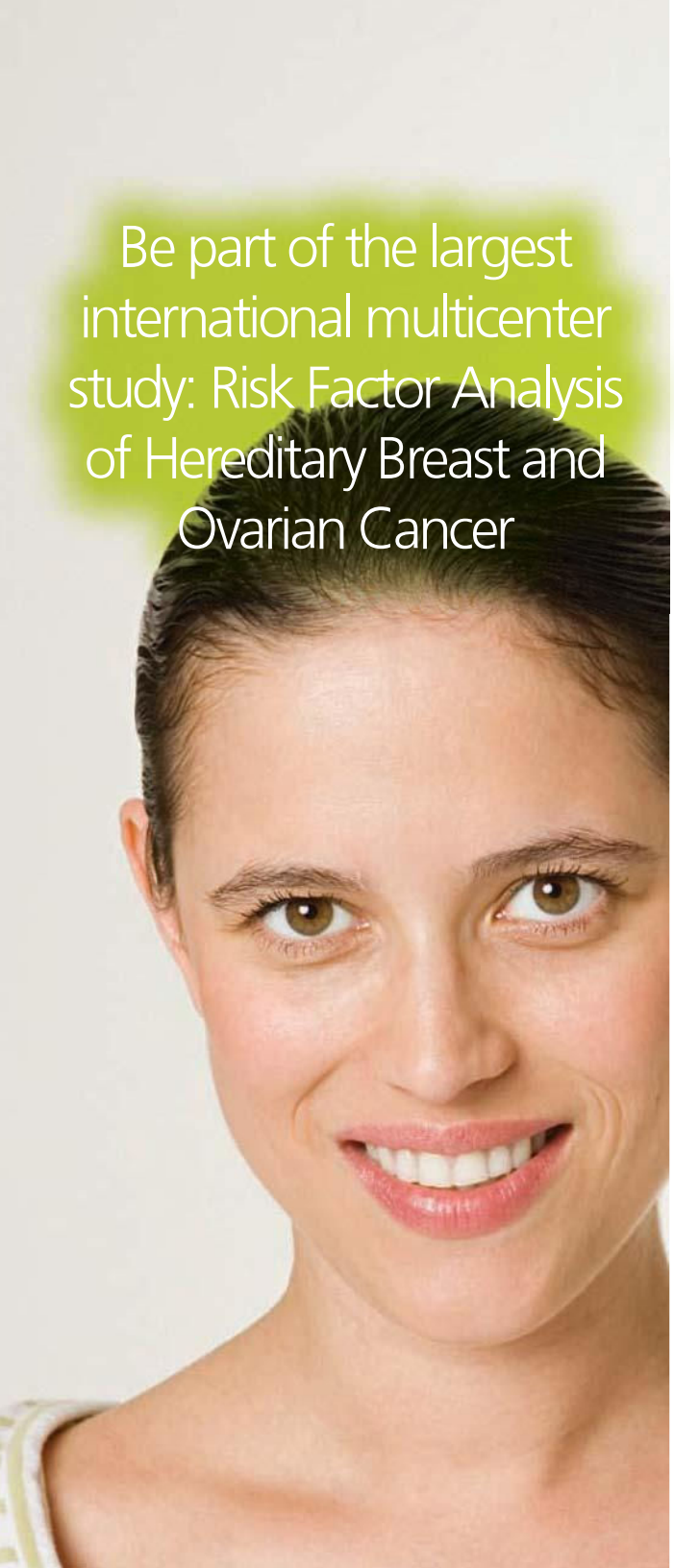

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Purpose:

We are trying to improve our understanding of the prevention and treatment of hereditary breast and ovarian cancer. By involving women such as you, we hope to gain a better understanding of the interaction between various hormonal, reproductive and lifestyle factors that are believed to be associated with the development of breast and ovarian cancer in high-risk families.

Who Can Participate?

Participation in this study is completely voluntary. Women who have learned that they have a mutation in either the BRCA1 or BRCA2 gene are eligible to participate in this study, whether or not they have a personal history of cancer. Participants must be 18 years of age or older.

Why Participate?

The risk of breast and ovarian cancer in carriers of BRCA1 and BRCA2 mutations is believed to be influenced by several genetic and non-genetic factors. The more women who enroll in this study, the more accurate the results will be. These results translate into the ability to make better decisions about your health.

How Can You Participate?

In order to participate, we require you to complete a questionnaire that collects information about your health and lifestyle. You will be asked to update us every two years by completing a new questionnaire.
We estimate that the questionnaires will take about 30 minutes to complete. You may choose to cease your participation at any time.

It is our hope that the information gained from this study will prove useful to you and women in your situation in the future.

About the Study and the Investigator:

This study was started in 1995 by Dr. Steven Narod and now has upwards of 15,000 participants from across Canada, the United States, Europe, and Asia.
Dr. Narod has been working in the field of genetics and epidemiology of breast cancer for over 20 years. In fact, he contributed to the discovery of the BRCA1 gene in 1994.

Dr. Narod heads numerous research studies that investigate breast cancer genes, population-specific incidences, risk factors, management options, and novel therapies. He has published extensively on the subject and is the most cited scientist in the world in the field of breast cancer research. Dr. Narod is also a Professor in the Department of Public Health Sciences at the University of Toronto.