



# Imperial College Healthcare

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Dear Sir/Madam,

The Liver Team at Imperial College London (based at St Mary's Hospital) is conducting a study in our diabetes community.

They are offering a free assessment of the liver in patients with Type-2 diabetes within our diabetes community clinic. Their main interest is to find out how many patients have Fatty liver and how advanced this is. Moreover, all other possible causes of liver disease will be tested.

The research team is collecting blood, urine and maybe stool samples (one off) to study other factors and gut bacteria that might associated with the liver health.

If you decide to participate, an appointment will be arranged at your convenience in the Liver Unit at St Mary's Hospital. The visit will last approximately 60 minutes. During the visit, a physical examination, an Ultrasound of the liver and a Fibroscan (special Ultrasound of the liver) will be performed. At the time of this visit, blood tests, urine and stools (if available) could be collected.

If you would like to receive further information about the study, you could get in touch with a member of the research team with a call, a text or an email. If that is the case, please contact:

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Participation in this research is completely voluntary and you may choose to withdraw from the research at any time and without giving any explanation.

**Thank you very much for your time.**