Tulane begins recruiting for Janssen COVID-19 vaccine study

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Tulane University School of Medicine is recruiting up to 1,920 participants throughout New Orleans to participate in a clinical study of Janssen Pharmaceutical Companies' COVID-19 vaccine.

Tulane University School of Medicine is a testing site for the Janssen Pharmaceutical Companies of Johnson & Johnson's Phase III clinical research study of a COVID-19 vaccine known as Ad26.COV2.S. The Phase 3 randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled clinical trial is designed to evaluate the safety and efficacy of a single dose of the Janssen COVID-19 vaccine candidate versus a placebo. Worldwide, the study will recruit approximately 60,000 adults 18 years old and older, including significant representation from those that are over 60.

The trial will include those with and without other conditions associated with an increased risk for progression to severe COVID-19.

Tulane will recruit up to 1,920 participants throughout the New Orleans area. There are two trial sites on campus — downtown at the Tulane <u>Clinical Translational Unit</u>, 1440 Canal St., and uptown in the Claiborne Avenue parking lot near Turchin Stadium. Tulane will partner with <u>LCMC Health</u> to house sites at New Orleans East Hospital and West Jefferson Medical Center.

To sign up for the study, visit <u>vaccine.tulane.edu</u>, email <u>vaccine@tulane.edu</u> or call 833-MY1SHOT.

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More information about the trial is available at: <u>www.ensemblestudy.com</u>