Reducing Dyskinesia in Parkinson’s Disease with Omega 3 Fatty Acids (RLID-PD)

Objective
Measure the safety of Omega 3 Fatty Acids on Dyskinesia (Abnormal Involuntary Movements)
Measure the effect of Omega 3 Fatty Acids on the development of Dyskinesia

Eligibility
Diagnosis of Parkinson’s Disease
About to begin Carbodopa/Levodopa (Sinemet) Treatment
No prior exposure to Levodopa
Able to stand upright for 1 minute without assistance

Compensation
$ 50.00 for each completed overnight visit for a total of $ 250.00.

This is a research study and not part of treatment or diagnosis of Parkinson’s disease. You will not benefit by participating in this study but you may learn more about your disease and will have a no cost neurological exam.

Procedures
1 Screening Visit (2 hours)
5 Overnight Visits (8 hour testing sessions the next day)
  — occur at OHSU/OCTRI
  — IV infusion of Levodopa (similar to oral levodopa but considered experimental)
  — Perform simple mental tests while standing on a balance platform
1.5 years of study medication (Omega 3 Fatty Acid) or placebo (sugar pill)

Length of Study: 1.5 (one and a half) years

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