

# VIOME

## Consent form V2.1-G

### Summary

As a Viome customer, you will receive diet and supplement advice. This advice results from our analysis of your samples and other information you provide to us.

### What will happen if I agree to become a Viome customer?

If you become a Viome customer, you will do at least some of the things shown below:

- Create an account on the Viome app and/or the Viome website.
- Answer the questions in the app and/or the Viome website.
- Collect some or all of the following samples: blood and stool. We will provide you with sample collection kits or easy-to-use devices and detailed instructions. You will ship the samples to the Viome labs for analysis. You may collect all samples at home. Follow good hygiene practices when collecting samples. For example, wash your hands with soap and water before and after sample collection. Wipe your finger with an alcohol swab before doing the finger prick. Use the sterile lancets as single use only. Do not touch the stool samples with your bare hands.

### Depending upon what samples you provide, Viome may perform the following types of analyses:

- Gut microbiome analysis – identify and quantify all living organisms (bacteria, viruses, bacteriophages, fungi, parasites, etc.) in your stool sample.
- Gut gene expression analysis – quantify the biological activities of the living organisms in your stool sample.
- Gut metabolite analysis – analyze metabolites in your stool sample.
- Personal genetic analysis – analyze your genomic data to understand potential health and wellness, and lifestyle implications. We will not be analyzing your genetics to look for inherited diseases, and we will not sequence your whole genome.
- Personal gene expression analysis – quantify the expression of thousands of your genes that may affect your overall well-being.
- IgG-mediated food sensitivity analysis – quantify IgGs in your blood that react to specific foods.

### Your data

Your data will be saved on the Viome secure cloud servers. Viome will analyze your data and will provide you with results and personalized recommendations. You may choose to follow this advice as much as you wish. Viome plans to maintain your samples and data for at least 10 years. Viome may use your samples and data for research and development if you sign an additional Research Consent form. All data utilized in research will be de-identified. By signing this consent form you transfer and assign all right and title to the sample(s) you provide to Viome and the information derived from the sample(s) to Viome and its assigns.

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## **What are the possible risks of the Viome service?**

The potential risks as shown below:

- You may feel pain or discomfort from the lancet device used to collect blood from your fingertip. The blood collection may also cause you to bleed; this will likely be minor and should stop with pressure. There is also a chance that you may faint or feel light-headed. The puncture site could become infected.
- You may feel discomfort or embarrassment on collecting samples of stool or blood.
- Nutritional recommendations may be suggested to which you are allergic or sensitive. If you have a known or suspected allergy or sensitivity, you should not follow that recommendation.
- Your condition may not get better or may get worse.
- Some survey questions may make you or your family members uncomfortable.
- A security breach or failure to follow protocol could result in unauthorized disclosure of your data and/or personally identifiable information.
- You may find information about yourself that will require follow-up by a physician. You will be responsible for the costs of this follow-up testing and possible treatment.
- You may find out information about yourself that will cause you to worry or become anxious.
- There may be unknown risks to participation that are not foreseeable at present.
- Viome will not provide any payment or treatment if you have an injury while collecting samples.

## **How will Viome protect and secure my private information?**

- Viome takes privacy very seriously. We keep all personal data and information on secure cloud servers. Only a small group of staff can access information that can be used to identify you. These are people who need that information to complete the testing, analysis, and reporting.
- Your samples and other information you provide will be labeled with a code and not your name. The information that matches the code to your identity will be kept in a protected database at Viome. Only a small group of staff will have access to the protected database.
- We will not include any information in any publications that would make it possible to identify you.
- All Viome employees, consultants, and others who might have access to your private information must sign Confidentiality Agreements that mandate them to keep that information private.
- Your data may be shared with your doctor only with your written permission.
- Your specimens will be analyzed, and remnants will be securely stored with de-identified alphanumeric IDs (no personal information).

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## Informed Consent Signature Page

Your signature below indicates that you have decided to provide Viome with your samples for molecular analyses.

Consent form version (for example "v2.1-G"): \_\_\_\_\_

Customer name: \_\_\_\_\_

Customer signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**If the customer is under 18 years of age, a parent or legal guardian must also sign the Parental Permission Form.**