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Participants from the CARE Consortium study who have graduated are now invited to participate in a follow up study exploring whether exposure to concussions and/or head impacts results in long term changes in neurological health well after college. As of June 1, 2019, nearly 48,000 participants have been enrolled from 30 CARE sites, including cadets (40% of the sample) and NCAA athletes (60% of the sample) from a diverse sample of contact, limited contact, and non-contact sports. Up to 15,000 former military service academy cadets and student athletes who graduated during the initial (2014-2017) and current CARE studies (2018-2020) will be contacted by email, text, and/or the Survey Research Operations team at the University of Michigan to complete a customized set of online or telephone assessments to measure Participant Reported Outcomes (PROs), and/or Military Relevant Outcomes (MROs) in the domains of General Health, Cognitive Health, Psychological Health, Life Function and Intervening Life Events. These domains were selected based on the interest in understanding the overall health and well being of former student athletes and cadets.

The CARE Consortium represents an unprecedented opportunity to advance concussion science in all

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at-risk populations. This study addresses escalating concerns about cadet and athlete safety and will provide answers to important questions about training techniques and sport participation. Data from this study will not only advance our scientific understanding of concussion and head impact exposure, but also inform the public and federal and private institutions. If you were a participant in the CARE Consortium study as an undergraduate, we would like to thank you for your contribution to this important work and we hope that you will consider continuing your participation in the post-graduation study. If you have any questions about CARE post-graduation study participation, please contact carealumni@umich.edu.



Findings from CARE Consortium added to global repository for brain injury data

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The U.S. Department of Defense announced recently that data from the NCAA-DoD Concussion Assessment, Research and Education (CARE) Consortium is now available through the Federal Interagency Traumatic Brain Injury Research (FITBIR) informatics system.

Developed by the National Institutes of Health and the Department of Defense, the goal of the FITBIR informatics system is to help share data across the entire traumatic brain injury research field, and to make collaboration between laboratories easier than before. With this addition, data from the CARE Consortium comprises nearly two-thirds of the entire FITBIR informatics system.

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CARE in Action

We are in need of new pictures for our CARE website and social media sites. Please share and submit ideas/post/tweets/pictures of CARE in action from your site with the CARE AOC careaoc@iupui.edu.

Thank You!

CARE Connect

If you would like to collaborate with the CARE Consortium, please complete a Research Collaboration form. Collaboration Requests are reviewed monthly by the CARE Consortium Operating Committee.

CARE Research Collaboration



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