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### ***How can you help?***

If you are eligible, participate yourself. Encourage male MacLeods (however spelled) and males with MacLeod Sept names around the world to participate. Offer to help underwrite their cost or contribute to the Group Project General Fund. Inform others of the study. Follow our progress in the *Clan MacLeod Magazine*, on the ACMS Web site and on the Group Projects Public Web sites with FTDNA.

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### **The Clan MacLeod And MacLeod Septs Group Projects**

**Genetic Studies  
sponsored by the  
Associated Clan MacLeod Societies  
and  
FamilyTreeDNA, Ltd.**

### ***What are they?***

They are ongoing projects sponsored by the Associated Clan MacLeod Societies [ACMS] for Clan MacLeod. They evaluate the relationships between Y-DNA patterns of male MacLeods (however spelled) and males of MacLeod Septs from around the world.



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## ***How do they work?***

The Y-chromosome generally is found only in males. It is passed down from father to son and thus can correlate with surname. A number of genes on this chromosome are tested, looking at markers, to determine relationships between tested individuals. The test involves some personal expense and consists of rubbing the inside of the mouth with an applicator stick and submitting the sample to a laboratory for processing. Results are communicated to the participant and to the study administrator, all in complete confidentiality.

## ***Who can participate?***

In the MacLeod study, any male MacLeod (however spelled) may participate and anyone can underwrite the cost for an eligible participant. In the parallel study for MacLeod Sept families, any male of any Sept may participate.

## ***How do you join?***

Contact either FamilyTreeDNA [FTDNA]

or the ACMS. Both can be found online with your search engine or by contacting your own National Society for information. Other contact information for FTDNA is given at the bottom of the next page.

## ***How can you learn more?***

See the following articles in past, present, and future issues of *Clan MacLeod Magazine*:

"The Genetics of Clan MacLeod" (April 2004)

"Clan MacLeod and Genetics: Past, Present and Future" (April 2005)

"McLeod lines: A Genetics Project Case Study" (October 2005)

"Genetics Studies in MacLeod Cadet Families" (April 2006)

"Sandhills Streams and MacLeod Genes" (October 2006)

"Haplogroup Studies in Clan MacLeod" (April 2007)

In addition, more details are available on the FTDNA Web site.