**PleaSe note Before Accessing ICAD**

1. Only pooled data comprising at least three studies (cohorts) can be analysed. That is, data from individual contributing studies cannot be extracted and analysed. However, it is recognised that when using meta-analytical statistical approaches (see: Smith-Warner et al. Methods for Pooling Results of Epidemiologic Studies, Am. J. Epi.163(11) 1053-1064) there is sometimes the need to present individual and pooled effect sizes.
2. If permission is granted it is done so on the understanding that the data are only used to address the research questions outlined in the proposal, which typically will result in one publication. If the applicants wish to address additional questions a separate research proposal should be submitted. For more details please see the[**Data Use Agreement**](file:///C:\Users\pslbs\Desktop\ICAD%20Datasharing%20InstructionsDec.5.2013\Embedded%20Documents\DATA%20USE%20AGREEMENT_Ver%202.0.doc)**.**
3. Upon receipt of the data, you will have **12 months of protected access** after which other investigators will be free to apply to use the unique data set.
4. All publications from the ICAD will adhere to the **ICAD Authorship and Publication Policy.**

**Upon completion, please send this proposal form, together with a variable list, to:** [**datasharing@mrc-epid.cam.ac.uk**](mailto:datasharing@mrc-epid.cam.ac.uk)

**Application to access the ICAD**

1. **Details of the applicant and proposal**

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| **Date of application:** |  |
| **Lead of writing group:** |  |
| **Name** |  |
| **Institutional affiliation** |  |
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**Full Title of proposal:**

**Proposed start date:**

**Proposed end date:**

**Writing Group Members:**

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| **Name** | **Institution** | **Role** |
|  |  | *(e.g. Statistician)* |
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1. **Research Proposal Outline** *(maximum 2 pages)*
   1. **Scientific justification for research proposal (maximum 150 words)**
   2. **Main objective of the research**
   3. **Hypotheses or research question(s)**
   4. **Analysis Plan (***A brief outline of the proposed analysis to test the proposed research questions/ hypothesis).*
   5. **Timeline *(****Include a timeline of research milestones, such as data analysis, and submission for publication)*
2. **Data requested**
   1. Please see <http://www.mrc-epid.cam.ac.uk/research/studies/icad/data-harmonisation/> for an overview of the available data.
   2. Please visit <http://www.epi-meta.medschl.cam.ac.uk/includes/icad/icad.html>, and select the variables you require for the analyses proposed above. Please follow the instructions to generate a variable list to accompany this proposal.
   3. Please tick below if you require secure access to the MRC Epidemiology Unit’s network to conduct further data harmonisation:

□ No, I have identified all the data I need

□ Yes, I would like to harmonise further data (please specify below):

1. **Data contributors**

⁪Please tick the name of the studies that you anticipate will contribute data to your proposed analyses. Please review carefully to avoid unnecessary data transfer.

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| *Study name* | *Data to be used?* | *More than one wave?* |
| ALSPAC |  |  |
| Ballabeina Study |  |  |
| Belgium Pre-School Study (1) |  | NA |
| Belgium Pre-School Study (2) |  | NA |
| Belgium Pre-School Study (3) |  | NA |
| CHAMPS (UK) |  | NA |
| CHAMPS (US) |  |  |
| CLAN |  |  |
| CoSCIS |  |  |
| EYHS (Denmark) |  |  |
| EYHS (Estonia) |  | NA |
| EYHS (Norway) |  |  |
| EYHS (Portugal) |  |  |
| HEAPS |  |  |
| Iowa Bone Development Study |  |  |
| KISS |  |  |
| MAGIC |  |  |
| NHANES 2003-04 |  | NA |
| NHANES 2005-06 |  | NA |
| PEACH |  |  |
| Pelotas 1993 Birth Cohort |  |  |
| Project TAAG |  |  |
| SPEEDY |  |  |