ICSA How-to Guide

Submitting Blood Samples to 23mofang



International Child Search Alliance

23mofang only sells their saliva-based DNA kits within mainland China, but they'll perform DNA tests on blood samples mailed to them! Some adoptees have found closer matches by doing a direct test than by uploading their 23andMe DNA file. 23mofang will analyze the DNA sample from the blood card just as they would a saliva-based DNA kit. You can do this additional test even if you have already uploaded from 23andMe. This makes 23mofang DNA testing available to transnational adoptees.



Tip: Read through ALL instructions fully before starting!

Instructions

If you already have an existing account, you can use the same account. If not, follow these instructions.

Use Google Chrome to open the website <u>23mofang.com</u>. The website will translate into English (or your native language). Sometimes you need to switch back to Chinese, or some options don't work. Use this icon for switching back and forth between Chinese and English.

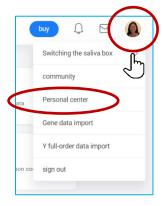


- Choose *Register*
- Choose your country code.
- Fill in your mobile number and click on Send verification code
- There might be a captcha to complete first by clicking three characters in the right order. When you miss two attempts, there will be a puzzle piece to drag into place. Make sure you're in Chinese mode for the captcha so you can match symbols... Or wait for the puzzle.
- You will receive an SMS with the verification code on your mobile.
- Type in the code and click on *Register*
- Set name of the account (English is ok)

Setting up a Password

- Go to the Personal Center
- Choose Set up
- Choose Change password
- You will need to confirm with a verification code sent by SMS

You can now login with mobile number and your password (choose 'password login'). You might need to pass the captcha before logging in.





Order an FTA Card

An FTA card is a specialized type of paper used to collect DNA. It's the only type of card that can be used.

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You can purchase a testing kit that includes an FTA card, lancet, and alcohol wipe from two adoptive moms for a small fee of \$5-\$8 USD, depending on your location, to cover the costs of shipping and the supplies:

Stacie Morgan (Ships to the USA and Canada)

WeChat ID: stacie0428

Facebook: facebook.com/stacie.morgan.35

Instagram: staciemorgan31

Email: Stacemorgan31@hotmail.com

Jolanda Blaauw (Ships to Europe) WeChat ID: JolandaBlaauwNL

Facebook: <u>facebook.com/blaauw.jolanda</u>

Email: Blaauw.Jolanda@gmail.com

Collect and Mail Your Blood Sample

Step 1: Wash your hands in warm water to get blood flowing. Dry your hands.

Step 2: Sterilize the fingertip you want to puncture with the alcohol swab or a cotton ball/swab and rubbing alcohol.

Step 2: Firmly prick your finger with the lancet and wipe away the first drop of blood with a piece of gauze. Squeeze finger for enough blood drops to make a good-sized blot inside the circle on the card. If your card has more than one circle, you only need to fill one of them.

Step 4: You can ignore the text on the card and just add the following information wherever it fits:

- Adoptee's name
- Phone number contact
- Adoptee's birth date
- Email contact

Step 5: Take a picture of the FTA card with your information. You will need this later to send to the 23mofang employee.

Step 6: Due to strict customs, 23mofang has instructed adoptees to mail their sample to someone in Mainland China, and then that person can mail it to 23mofang. You can mail your card to an adoptee who may be traveling to China or to someone you know in China. 23mofang doesn't charge for shipping to their company's location once the blood sample is in Mainland China.

If you don't know anyone in Mainland China, Sissi Liu, a birth family searcher, can help you. She will receive your package and mail it to 23mofang for a fee of \$4 USD.

Contact Sissi

WeChat: jxprincess Email: sissilqp@qq.com

WhatsApp: Sissi (cell# +008613970015500)

Facebook: Sissi Liu

Mail the envelope in a way that is trackable using your country's standard postal service, such as United States Postal Service (USPS) in the USA or PostNL in The Netherlands. UPS, FEDEX, or similar shipping companies have been unreliable. Put a value of zero on the customs form and mark it as "DOCUMENTS." Do NOT include "DNA," "genealogy," "genetics," or any words related to DNA.

Do not select anything requiring a signature. Take a picture of the package and tracking information to share with Sissi or your friend.

Contact <u>mikaylabell1989@gmail.com</u> if you need assistance with shipping or finding someone to bring your DNA card to China.

Contact 23mofang

Contact the 23mofang helpdesk one of these ways:

- Through their app, which will open a chat on WeChat.
- By email at fuxiaoling@23mofang.com

Mention you will be sending a blood sample. The 23mofang employee will give you the address where the sample needs to be sent. Have Sissi or your friend in China mail your sample to the address they give you and also send you a photo of the tracking number as you need to share this with the 23mofang helpdesk. Send the helpdesk your photos of the FTA card and of the Chinese tracking code of your package.

Choose a 23mofang Test

The 23mofang employee will help you get the right test. Reminder, these DNA test kits are only sold within mainland China. However, 23mofang can perform the same DNA test on blood samples. Check the 23mofang website for current prices or ask the helpdesk employee. Tests generally cost a little over \$100USD but may be cheaper with sales.

- **Biological Female** adoptees can purchase the <u>23 Cube Personal Genetic Test 4</u>. This test provides ancestry and genetic health information.
- Biological Male adoptees can purchase the <u>23 Cube Personal Genetic Test 4</u> and additionally the <u>Paternal Ancestry Depth Test</u> if desired. Here is <u>additional information</u> about testing available for Biological Male adoptees. You can also contact 23mofang for more information about the paternal ancestry depth test.

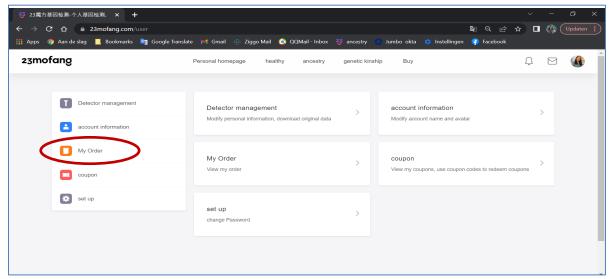
Pay for Your 23mofang Test

23mofang will let you know when the package has been delivered. They will then place the order in your account and ask you to pay for the DNA test via WeChat Pay or PayPal. Pay attention as the order needs to be paid within 30 minutes.

Pay for the order on your computer, not through the 23mofang app. Login to your account on your computer and go to your personal center. You can find your personal center by clicking the icon in the upper right corner. Select 'personal center.'



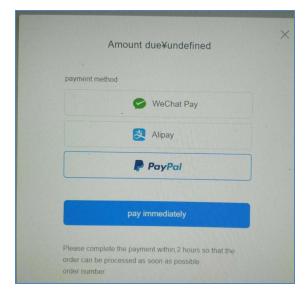
• Select 'My Order.'

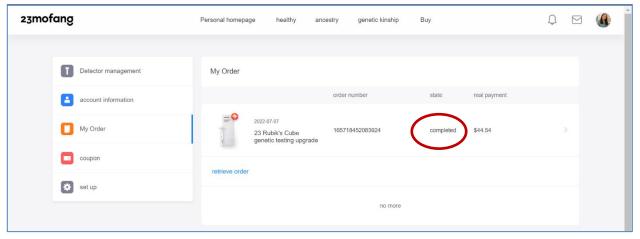


Here you will find the payment the 23mofang employee generated for you. Select payment.



- You will see this screen which includes PayPal.
- Select PayPal and then the 'pay immediately' button.
 Finish the payment. After payment, check the 'My
 Order' page. It will now show 'completed.'





• 23mofang will then provide you with a code (just like the codes on the side of the DNA kits). The adoptee will then be able to register their code in the app. When the test is finished the adoptee will then be able to review their results.

Registering Your 23mofang Kit Code

Download the 23mofang app to your phone:

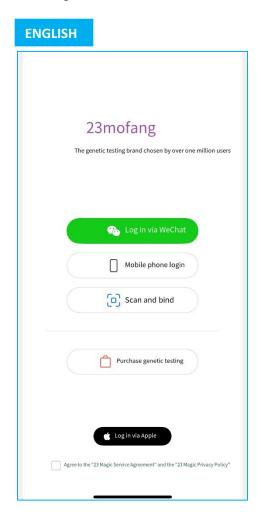
 Use your mobile phone, not your computer. Open the browser on your phone and go to the 23mofang website <u>23mofang.com</u>. Scroll to the bottom of the homepage, and select the option to download the 23mofang app. You can also search for it in the app store.



• Download the app and install it on your mobile. The app is in Chinese only, but the screenshots below will help you navigate. You can also take screenshots of the app and open them in <u>Google Translate</u>.

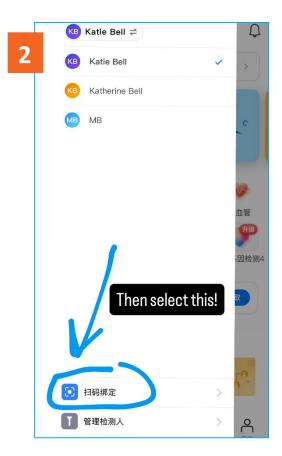
Sign into your account on the app. Use the same login information as for the website.



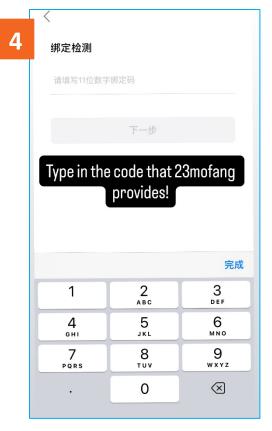


Register the code that 23mofang provides!











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如果您对于研究或此知情同意书有其它疑虑,请联系 23魔方客服中心: +86 400-006-2323 (周一至周五 9:00-17:30,节假日除外)。

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Research Informed Consent Form •••

During the research process, 23 Magic and related subsidiary companies may generate research results and related intellectual property rights, including but not limited to patents, services, products, articles, pictures, software, audio, and video. You do not own the ownership of the results or the intellectual property rights, and you will not receive any compensation from it.

V. How to Participate / Exit

Your participation and withdrawal are entirely voluntary. By signing this informed consent form, you will automatically be included in the research. If you choose to participate in the 23M Cube study, you still have the option to not participate in any research that makes you feel uncomfortable. At any time, you can also contact 23M Cube to withdraw from the study. 23M Cube will no longer use your data for research. If before withdrawal your data had been submitted to academic journals for publication or had been used in a certain study or there were other irreversible circumstances, this data will not be withdrawn from the relevant papers or studies. However, your other data will be stopped from being used for research.

If you wish to participate in the research in the future, you can re-enter the research section and sign this

Informed Consent Form.

VI. Other Concerns

If you have any other questions regarding the research or this informed consent form, please contact the 23 Magic Customer Service Center: +86 400-006-2323 (Monday to Friday, 9:00 - 17:30, except holidays).

Agree to authorize

Disagree

Enter the details for the person who got tested.

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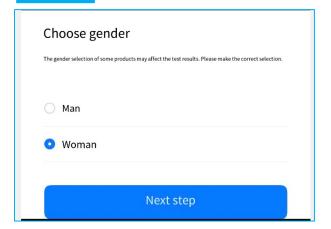


If you select "no", it'll just ask you type the last name in the next step

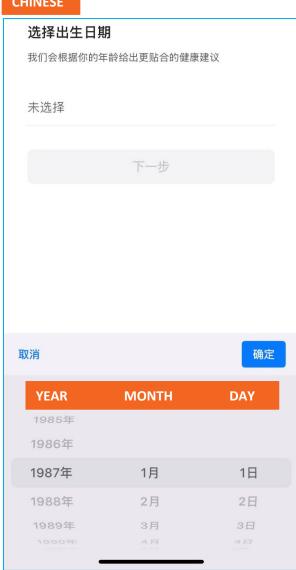
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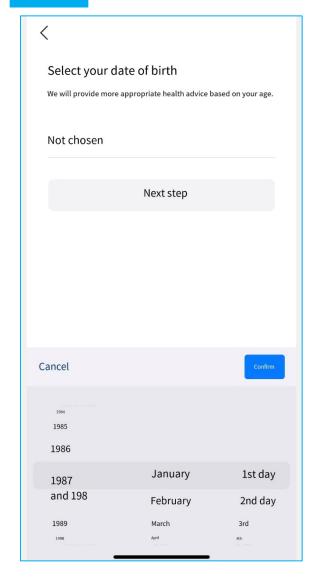
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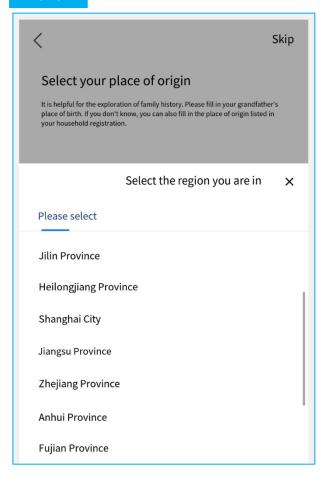


It'll proceed to ask for the city and then lastly for your county or district. (You can also just list your province too if you want or skip this entirely.)

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This is just to review the region information, if you added it. It can be changed later too.

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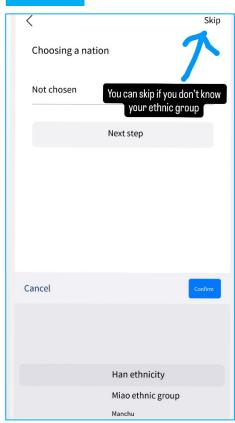
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Select your place of origin It is helpful for the exploration of family history. Please fill in your grandfather's place of birth. If you don't know, you can also fill in the place of origin listed in your household registration. All of Yongfeng County, Ji'an City, Jiangxi Province Next step





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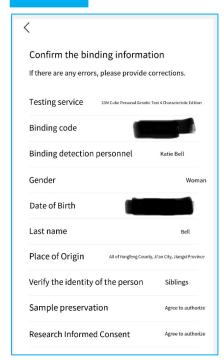


You can review your information and go back to make any changes.

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