
Privacy Statement

GenomeScan takes the view that the confidentiality of all personal data that has been provided to the company directly by the data subjects or indirectly via their representatives should always be respected. In processing such personal data GenomeScan acts in accordance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and its internal Data Security Policy. The GenomeScan Data Security Policy Is embedded in the companies' Quality Management System (QMS). The system is demonstrably compliant with the International standards ISO/IEC 17025 and ISO 15189. Furthermore, it is our policy to work in full compliance with the OECD, WHO and EMA guidelines for 'Good Laboratory Practice' (GLP) and 'Good Clinical Laboratory Practice' (GCLP).

Genetic information on patients is generally regarded as sensitive data. GenomeScan therefore prefers to work with fully pseudonymized data and strives to minimize the number of independent data items it stores per data subject. GenomeScan will only process personal data if this is permitted by law (*e.g.* based on informed consent). GenomeScan will restrict data processing to activities directly related to the purpose as specified in the informed consent and/or the Data Processing Agreement. GenomeScan will not share any data with third parties, including subcontractors, unless this has been agreed with the data subject or his/her representative.

Both electronic and physical access to our computer systems are strictly controlled. All employees are well-trained and legally bound to confidentiality rules. Data is securely stored for 15 years and back-ups are made on a regular basis. After the 15-year retention time, both data and back-ups are destroyed. When personal data must be transferred, GenomeScan will encrypt the data before shipment. An incident response plan has been defined to ensure effective and orderly response to incidents (possibly) involving personal data.

Under GDPR, data subjects (*e.g.* patients) have specific rights. The applicable rights are: The right to be informed, the right of access (not always free of charge), the right of rectification, the right to be forgotten (or anonymized), the right to restrict processing, the right to data portability, and the right to object to processing.

If you have a request related to your rights, please send the request together with a proof of your identity to our Data Protection Officer (email: DPO@genomescan.nl). If you have a question or complaint about our data processing, you can also contact the Data Protection Officer. If needed, you can lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority, the Dutch Data Protection Authority ('Autoriteit Persoonsgegevens').