

Volunteers needed for a Research Study on Tinnitus (ringing-in-the-ears)

Wayne State University is conducting a clinical research study for people who have constant tinnitus (ringing or other sounds in the ears/head). The purpose of this study is to determine if a medication called Etanercept is effective for reducing the loudness or severity of tinnitus.

Who is Eligible?

You may be eligible if you:

- Have constant tinnitus associated with blast or noise exposure or associated with traumatic brain injury (TBI) and/or concussion
- Are at least 18 years of age
- Are able to receive injections of Etanercept

This is a research study, not treatment.

- Compensation is provided for this research study. You will receive \$25 for each visit you complete for the study. There are approximately 17 study visits, therefore the total amount of compensation you may receive if you complete all study visits is \$425. If you should leave the study early for any reason, you will be paid for the appointments you complete.
- Study participation includes questionnaires, hearing tests, a medical exam, tinnitus evaluations, and weekly injections of either Etanercept (study drug) or saline solution (placebo).
- Durations of appointments will vary between 1-3 hours each and will occur over a 9-month period. You may stop at any time.
- You may benefit by learning the results of your hearing tests and learning about your tinnitus.

If you would like to participate, please contact the research team by telephone at 313-577-5495 or by email at tinnitustrial@wayne.edu