

Name	Nederlands Tweelingen Register/ Netherlands Twin Registry (NTR)				
Description	NTR aims to examine the contribution of genetics on growth and development of children, risk factors of certain diseases and development of behavioral problems. NTR also examines the coherence of living habits (i.e. smoking, drinking, physical activity, etc.) and health and/or disease development.				
Location	National (the entire country of the Netherlands)				
Lead Institute	Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam				
Cohort size	243,646 participants as of 2019				
		0-11 years	12-17 years	18+	Total
	Multiples	27,474	20,949	73,734	122,157
	Siblings	628	2338	11,938	14,904
	Parents	0	0	114,278	114,278
	Spouses	0	0	2,616	2,616
	Offspring	280	28	778	1,086
	Other	1	4	683	688
Start Cohort	1987				
Follow-up	<p>Every two or three years the adult participants get a new questionnaire about their health and living habits. This started in 1991</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1991 - 1993 - 1995 - 1997 - 2000 - 2002 - 2004 - 2008 - 2009 - 2011 - 2013 - 2015 <p>For younger participants surveys were done at age:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Age 1 - Age 2 - Age 3 - Age 5 - Age 6/7 - Age 9/10 - Age 12 - Age 14-18 (pilot) - Age 14 - Age 16 - Age 18 <p>For full overview of number of participants per Survey see design paper</p>				
Variables and Measurement methods	Measurements: questionnaires and Biological samples				
Availability and Type of -omic data	NTR Biobank: Biological sample collection (N = ~10,000) Blood samples Urine samples				

	<p>Stool samples</p> <p>Transcriptomics: Cell counts</p> <p>Biomarkers (All NTR Biobank participants):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - lipids - glucose - insulin - HbA1c - Liver enzymes - C-reactive protein - Fibrinogen - Interleukin (IL)-6 - TNF-α - Soluble IL-6 receptor <p>Other Biomarkers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cotinine in blood - Telomere length - Microbiome datasets <p>DNA samples</p> <p>RNA expression</p>
Design Paper	Willemsen et al., 2013
Website	www.tweelingenregister.org