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## DNA-tests for residence permits and family reunions in Germany

With a DNA-test families can confirm their biological descent – usually their parentage – in order to prove this to public authorities. Even complex relationships can be investigated in a genetic expert's report using today's powerful genetic markers with modern PCR-techniques. Please contact us if you need advice on any investigation of your descent necessary for a family reunion or to confirm your nationality by descent in Germany.

As the DNA-tests need to be accepted by public authorities we recommend to choose a test in accordance with the official german guidelines - our *standard report*. This test combines a high level of security with an reasonable cost-performance ratio. The materials for the laboratory tests can be either blood samples or buccal swabs.

## The standard report has the following key features:

- analysis of 18 (+1) DNA-markers using modern STR-PCR-technique
- proof of identity and all other services meet the criteria of the official german guidelines
- completion within 10 working days after the last sample has arrived in our laboratory

The **documented proof of identity** for the samples meets the stringent criteria of the official german guidelines. In our institute in Hamburg this regularly includes photos. For sample taking in other countries we preferably cooperate with german embassies / consulates or their trusted medical examiners in order to achieve a secure proof of identity for all participants.

## Costs for our standard report for paternity / relationship investigation:

- for child/mother/father, one child/mother-, child/father-pair or two siblings: EUR 560,00
- for any additional ancestry report or any additional investigation per person:
  EUR 280,00

The price includes the DNA-tests, the sample-taking in our institute in Hamburg, the written standard report and taxes. Costs for sample taking outside our institute and for the necessary sample handling / shipping (especially for international express mail services that may be necessary) must be paid by the ordering customer before the written report is handed out. The amount becomes due before the laboratory tests can be performed. Official contracting entities will receive the invoice upon completion of the report.

## For further information or contact please visit our website (german language only): www.ibsg.de