STUDY CLOSED
This study is currently closed to enrolling new families. We thank all the patients and families that were so kind to contribute their time to this research project. We do encourage you to contact the study team if you have questions regarding past participation or general questions about familial GIST. We look forward to sharing information gained from the study in the near future.

Why is this study being done?
Project FLAG is a research study to learn more about gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST) that may run in families, also known as hereditary GIST. Since only a small number of families with hereditary GIST have been described in the medical literature, not much is known about hereditary GIST. The study will try to understand which genes cause GISTs to develop in families and look for clues that may be related to hereditary GIST, such as non-cancerous skin growths. In addition, we aim to understand the cancer risk in families with hereditary GIST and gain information that may be useful to provide cancer screening recommendation to those at greater risk of developing GIST.

Who is participating in this study?
Study participants meet the criteria below:

- 18 years or older
- Have been diagnosed with GIST

What is involved in participating?
Participation involves:

- A questionnaire about personal and family cancer and health history
- The option of a consultation with a genetic counselor
- Review of medical records
- The option of genetic testing

How long is the study?
Participation in this research study is for about one year. If participants would like to provide a sample to be stored for future investigational studies, then they will be enrolled in research for as long as their specimen is stored. Participants can withdraw from the research study at any time.

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Project FLAG Video featuring George Demetri, MD and Suzanne George, MD