

The BIOCARD Study

Biomarkers of Cognitive Decline Among Normal Individuals

MRI
Cross Sectional Free Surfer
Limited Dataset
May 2020

Glossary of Terms

Term	Description	
Allowable Codes	codes (and their meanings) allowed to be values for that variable	
Audit Findings	error rates based on BIOCARD or NIH phase audits	
	error rates are calculated as number of errors / total number of variables examined	
Baseline visit	date admitted to NIH phase of BIOCARD study [Note: some data may have been collected prior to this date]	
Collection	when the variable information was collected (i.e., Baseline, Follow-up)	
Comments	further information about the variable not covered in the above fields	
Data Type	numeric or character [Note: Dates are numeric data] numeric or character classifications are strictly related to how the data are stored and not how the data should be analyzed	
JHU phase	the study phase at JHU from 2009 - present	
Missing OK If	instances (such as skips) or reasons why a blank or missing value is acceptable	
NA	not applicable for this variable	
NIH / NIH phase	the study phase that was performed at the NIH from 1995-2005	
Question Text	the question as it appears on the NACC or BIOCARD data collection forms	
Short Description	a short explanation of what the variable means	
Source	the name of the NACC form, BIOCARD form, or NIH dataset containing the variable information (or "DERIVED" if the variable was derived) and the variable question number located on the form or in the dataset, if applicable	
Unknown Code	the codes for the "unknown", "don't know", or missing values for the variable	
Variable Name	the name of the variable in the provided dataset [Note: Variables will follow the NACC naming scheme as closely as possible]	

Acronyms and Definitions

AD	Alzheimer's Disease	
CDR	Clinical Dementia Rating	
CERAD	Consortium to Establish a Registry for Alzheimer's Disease	
CNS	Central Nervous System	
CSF	Cerebrospinal Fluid	
CVD	Cardiovascular Disease	
CVLT	California Verbal Learning Test	
FAQ	Functional Assessment Questionnaire	
FTD	Frontotemporal Degenerations	
GDS Geriatric Depression Scale		

JHU	The Johns Hopkins University
MCI	Mild Cognitive Impairment
MMSE	Mini-Mental State Examination
NACC	National Alzheimer's Coordinating Center
NIA	National Institute on Aging
NINDS	National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke
NPI-Q	Neuropsychiatric Inventory Questionnaire
UPDRS	Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale
WAIS	Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale
WMS	Wechsler Memory Scale

MRI Cross-Sectional Free-Surfer Data Limited Dataset Characteristics

Number of variables: 27

Order of variables:

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JHUANONID	Participant ID Anonymized by JHU			
VISITNO	MRI visit number			
MRIMOBL	Months from baseline			
INFPARLEFTT	MRI: Left inferior parietal thickness (millimeters)			
INFPARRIGHTT	MRI: Right inferior parietal thickness (millimeters)			
INFTEMPLEFTT	MRI: Left inferior temporal thickness (millimeters)			
INFTEMPRIGHTT	MRI: Right inferior temporal thickness (millimeters)			
MIDTEMPLEFTT	MRI: Left middle temporal thickness (millimeters)			
MIDTEMPRIGHTT	MRI: Right middle temporal thickness (millimeters)			
POSTCINGLEFTT	MRI: Left posterior cingulate thickness (millimeters)			
POSTCINGRIGHTT	MRI: Right posterior cingulate thickness (millimeters)			
PRECUNELEFTT	MRI: Left precuneus thickness (millimeters)			
PRECUNERIGHTT	MRI: Right precuneus thickness (millimeters)			
SUPPARLEFTT	MRI: Left superior parietal thickness (millimeters)			
SUPPARRIGHTT	MRI: Right superior parietal thickness (millimeters)			
TEMPPOLELEFTT	MRI: Left temporal pole thickness (millimeters)			
TEMPPOLERIGHTT	MRI: Right temporal pole thickness (millimeters)			
ENTCLEFTT	MRI: Left entorhinal cortex thickness (millimeters)			
ENTCRIGHTT	MRI: Right entorhinal cortex thickness (millimeters)			
CUNEUSLEFTT	MRI: Left cuneus thickness (millimeters)			
CUNEUSRIGHTT	MRI: Right cuneus thickness (millimeters)			
LATOCCLEFTT	MRI: Left lateral occipital thickness (millimeters)			
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1) Variable Name JHUANONID

Short Description Participant ID Anonymized by JHU

Source NA

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline

Data Type Character

Allowable Codes JHU + 6 numbers

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments None

2) Variable Name VISITNO

Short Description MRI visit number

Source MRI

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Integers and decimals from 1 to 10

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings No NIH or JHU audit

Comments Visit when MRI was completed

3) Variable Name MRIMOBL

Short Description Months from baseline

Source DERIVED

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 0

Max = 999

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Calculated as months between the baseline start date and the recorded MRI date.

4) Variable Name INFPARLEFTT

Short Description MRI: Left inferior parietal thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 2.00

Max = 2.87

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

Alzheimer's disease. Brain Imaging and Behavior 2017; 11(2):357-367. doi:

5) Variable Name INFPARRIGHTT

Short Description MRI: Right inferior parietal thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 2.05

Max = 2.92

Missing OK If NA
Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

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6) Variable Name INFTEMPLEFTT

Short Description MRI: Left inferior temporal thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 2.24

Max = 3.08

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

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7) Variable Name INFTEMPRIGHTT

Short Description MRI: Right inferior temporal thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 2.28

Max = 3.16

Missing OK If NA
Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

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8) Variable Name MIDTEMPLEFTT

Short Description MRI: Left middle temporal thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 2.36

Max = 3.39

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

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9) Variable Name **MIDTEMPRIGHTT**

> **Short Description** MRI: Right middle temporal thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

> Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 2.39

Max = 3.45

Missing OK If NA **Audit Findings** NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

> Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

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10) Variable Name **POSTCINGLEFTT**

> **Short Description** MRI: Left posterior cingulate thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

> Data Type Numeric

Min = 2.12Allowable Codes

Max = 3.09

Missing OK If NA **Audit Findings** NA

Measurement information available at: Comments

> Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical Alzheimer's disease. Brain Imaging and Behavior 2017; 11(2):357-367. doi:

11) Variable Name POSTCINGRIGHTT

Short Description MRI: Right posterior cingulate thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 2.19

Max = 3.08

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

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12) Variable Name PRECUNELEFTT

Short Description MRI: Left precuneus thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 1.94

Max = 2.85

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

Alzheimer's disease. Brain Imaging and Behavior 2017; 11(2):357-367. doi:

13) Variable Name PRECUNERIGHTT

Short Description MRI: Right precuneus thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 2.00

Max = 2.79

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

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14) Variable Name SUPPARLEFTT

Short Description MRI: Left superior parietal thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 1.70

Max = 2.51

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

Alzheimer's disease. Brain Imaging and Behavior 2017; 11(2):357-367. doi:

15) Variable Name SUPPARRIGHTT

Short Description MRI: Right superior parietal thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 1.73

Max = 2.49

Missing OK If NA
Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

Alzheimer's disease. Brain Imaging and Behavior 2017; 11(2):357-367. doi:

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16) Variable Name TEMPPOLELEFTT

Short Description MRI: Left temporal pole thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 2.52

Max = 4.56

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

Alzheimer's disease. Brain Imaging and Behavior 2017; 11(2):357-367. doi:

17) Variable Name TEMPPOLERIGHTT

Short Description MRI: Right temporal pole thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 2.74

Max = 4.68

Missing OK If NA
Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

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18) Variable Name ENTCLEFTT

Short Description MRI: Left entorhinal cortex thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 2.29

Max = 4.14

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

Alzheimer's disease. Brain Imaging and Behavior 2017; 11(2):357-367. doi:

19) Variable Name ENTCRIGHTT

Short Description MRI: Right entorhinal cortex thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 2.21

Max = 4.45

Missing OK If NA
Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

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20) Variable Name CUNEUSLEFTT

Short Description MRI: Left cuneus thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 1.45

Max = 2.42

Missing OK If NA
Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

Alzheimer's disease. Brain Imaging and Behavior 2017; 11(2):357-367. doi:

21) Variable Name CUNEUSRIGHTT

Short Description MRI: Right cuneus thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 1.56

Max = 2.70

Missing OK If NA
Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

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22) Variable Name LATOCCLEFTT

Short Description MRI: Left lateral occipital thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 1.88

Max = 2.82

Missing OK If NA
Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

Alzheimer's disease. Brain Imaging and Behavior 2017; 11(2):357-367. doi:

23) Variable Name LATOCCRIGHTT

Short Description MRI: Right lateral occipital thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 1.90

Max = 2.68

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

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24) Variable Name POSTCENTLEFTT

Short Description MRI: Left postcentral thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 1.60

Max = 2.50

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

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25) Variable Name POSTCENTRIGHTT

Short Description MRI: Right postcentral thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 1.58

Max = 2.29

Missing OK If NA
Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

Alzheimer's disease. Brain Imaging and Behavior 2017; 11(2):357-367. doi:

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26) Variable Name PRECENTLEFTT

Short Description MRI: Left precentral thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 1.61

Max = 2.71

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

Alzheimer's disease. Brain Imaging and Behavior 2017; 11(2):357-367. doi:

27) Variable Name PRECENTRIGHTT

Short Description MRI: Right precentral thickness (millimeters)

Question Text NA

Time of Collection Baseline and Follow-up

Data Type Numeric

Allowable Codes Min = 1.50

Max = 2.79

Missing OK If NA

Audit Findings NA

Comments Measurement information available at:

Measure obtained using FreeSurfer version 5.1, cross-sectional pipeline. For more information, see: Pettigrew C, Soldan A, Zhu Y, Wang M-C, Brown T, Miller M, Albert M; BIOCARD Research Team. Cognitive reserve and cortical thickness in preclinical

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