

**The YODA Project**  
**Research Proposal Review - Final**  
**(Protocol #: 2019-3995 )**

**Reviewers:**

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**Review Questions:**

**Decision:**

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| 1. Is the scientific purpose of the research proposal clearly described?  | Yes                        |
| 2. Will request create or materially enhance generalizable scientific and/or medical knowledge to inform science and public health? | Yes                        |
| 3. Can the proposed research be reasonably addressed using the requested data?  | Yes, or it's highly likely |
| 4. Recommendation for this data request:  | Approve                    |

**Comments:**

I raise caution about some of the racial categories proposed. For example, Asian in most US studies implies Far East Asian, whereas in British studies it is often used to mean people from the Indian subcontinent, who are ethnically more related to Europeans. Any differences found can only be extrapolated with great care and will need independent confirmation.