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**Folic acid intake determinants in pregnancy**

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This study was conducted according to the guidelines laid down in the Declaration of Helsinki and all procedures involving research study participants were approved by the the ethical committee of the Medical Faculty of Muenster University and the Data Protection Board of Bielefeld University. Written informed consent was obtained from all participants.

## Availability of data and material

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