

Information Sheet for Participants in Research Studies

You will be given a copy of this information sheet.

Title of Project: **The hearing body**

This study has been approved by the UCL Research Ethics Committee as Project ID Number: **Staff/1213/003**

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We would like to invite you to participate in this research project. You should only participate if you want to; choosing not to take part will not disadvantage you in any way. Before you decide whether you want to take part, please read the following information carefully and discuss it with others if you wish. Ask us if there is anything that is not clear or you would like more information.

Our purpose of the study is to investigate how sensory stimulation affects the way we perceive bodies. During the experimental session, you will be blindfolded and the position of your hands and arms will be monitored by attaching small markers to them. You will be required to tap on a surface, whilst listening to tapping sounds through headphones, for several stimulation periods lasting for about 1 minute each. You will pace the rhythm of your taps, one per second. Before and after each of these stimulation periods, you will be asked to perform the following behavioural task. You will wait for the go-signal by resting your index finger in a starting position, and then reach and touch with your right index finger a target object. You must start the action as rapidly and accurately as possible upon hearing the acoustic go-signal.

You will also be asked to fill in two questionnaires related to your experience during the experiment. You may omit questions that you do not wish to answer.

This experiment does not involve any risk for you. In total this session consists of 2 blocks composed of several trials and will last about 1 hour 15minutes. You will be fully debriefed. You will be paid £10.00 for taking part.

All data will be collected and stored in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and will be kept anonymous. Researchers working with me will analyze the data collected.

It is up to you to decide whether or not to take part. If you choose not to participate, you won't incur any penalties or lose any benefits to which you might have been entitled. However, if you do decide to take part, you will be given this information sheet to keep and asked to sign a consent form. Even after agreeing to take part, you can still withdraw at any time and without giving a reason.