

Information Sheet and Consent Form in Qualtrics

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Q1 1 . Background

The University of Kent would like to invite you to take part in the following research project, which will be conducted over Zoom. Before agreeing to take part, please read this information sheet carefully and let us know if anything is unclear or you would like further information.

2. What is the purpose of the study? The study is designed to explore the ability of people to identify unfamiliar faces. The experiment will be conducted via a Zoom meeting in which the experimenter will share their screen. The experiment comprises a computer-based face matching task. In this task, you will see two faces on the screen and you will be asked to decide whether they show the same person or two different people. You will respond verbally. This experiment consists of two sessions which will take place approximately 7 days apart. For each session, the researcher will send you a reminder and a link to a zoom session via Prolific's instant messenger service.

3. How long will the experiment take? Both experimental sessions will last approximately 15-20 minutes.

4. Do I have to take part? No, participation is optional. If you do decide to take part, you will be asked to accept the terms and conditions below. If you change your mind at any point during the study, you will be able to withdraw your participation without having to provide a reason.

5. Will you share my data with third parties? No. Data will be accessible to the project team only. However, anonymized data may be reused by the research team or other third parties for secondary research and/or teaching purposes.

6. Will you transfer my data internationally? Anonymized data might be made freely available through research platforms, such as the Open Science Framework. No personal data will be transferred internationally.

7. Will I be identified in any research output? No. All data will remain confidential, and only broad trends will be reported.

8. Will audio/video recordings be made? Yes, we will record the zoom call in the case of potential data losses. Prior to recording zoom calls, we will alter the participant's name to reflect a subject ID code, and the participant's webcam will be disabled, to help preserve their anonymity. As such, the recording will feature 1) the participant's voice, 2) the experimenter's voice, and 3) the onscreen experiment.

9. Who will have access to the recordings? Members of the research team.

10. Will the recordings be shared with others outside of the research team? No.

11. Questions or concerns If you have any questions about this participant information sheet or concerns about how your data is being processed, please

contact Dr Matt Fysh or Professor Markus Bindemann in the first instance. If you are still dissatisfied, please contact the University of Kent's School of Psychology department. Research Contact Details: Dr Matt Fysh, School of Psychology, University of Kent (m.c.fysh@kent.ac.uk) Principal Investigator: Professor Markus Bindemann, School of Psychology, University of Kent (m.bindemann@kent.ac.uk)

- ☐ I confirm that I have read and understood the Participant Information for "Identification of Avatars" (4)
- ☐ I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw from the study at any time without giving a reason. (5)
- ☐ I consent for my experiment session to be recorded and analyzed in accordance with the objectives of the study. (6)
- ☐ I understand that my data will be treated confidentially and any publication resulting from this work will report only data that does not identify me. (7)
- ☐ If I have any questions or concerns about the research, I know that I can contact Dr Matt Fysh (m.c.fysh@kent.ac.uk) or Professor Markus Bindemann (m.bindemann@kent.ac.uk). (9)
- ☐ I freely agree to participate in this study. (8)

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Q4 First, please provide some basic details about yourself.

Q11 What is your prolific ID?

Q6 Please indicate your gender

▼ Female (1) ... Prefer not to say (4)

Q5 What is your age?

Q12 Please indicate your race

☐ White (1)

☐ Black (2)

☐ Asian (3)

☐ Middle-Eastern (4)

☐ Other (please specify) (13) _____

☐ Decline to answer (14)

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Q9 Please confirm that you understand the importance of using your prolific ID when signing up to the Doodle Poll.

If you sign up using your name, then the experimenter will not know which participant to send the Zoom link to when your timeslot is available, and you will therefore miss out on your timeslot.

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I understand that I should use my Prolific ID to choose a timeslot i the Doodle Poll. (1)

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I understand that if I sign up using my name, then I may not be able to participate in the study. (2)

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Q7 [Step 2: Click here to return to Prolific](#)

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