Participant Privacy policy

The purpose of this document is to explain the ways in which we store and use your data. Our primary aim is to ensure that any personal data you give us is stored securely and used only for the purposes of scientific research. Your data are not made available to unauthorised third parties and, should you request it, we will remove your data from this system.

This website complies with European Union regulations covering human subject research and data privacy, the OECD Guidelines on the Protection of Privacy, and the European Union Directive on Data Protection. Personal data is held on Servers in The Netherlands and Canada. These countries meet the European Commission's adequate protection level for personal data. Please read the information below carefully, and contact the person listed in the Contact Information of this notice if you require more information.

Data Controller

Under the terms of the Data Protection Act 1998 the Data Controller responsible for holding the personally identifiable data you have provided when registering as a volunteer with the MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit is the University of Cambridge.

Use and disclosure of information

Your name, email address, and phone number may be used to identify you on this website. We restrict access to information that identifies you to those who need it to conduct their research (for example to contact you). This information will not be disclosed to third parties, or outside of the organization for which the information is being gathered.
Retention of personally identifiable data (e.g.: name and address)

Should you decide that you no longer wish to be a member of the volunteer panel please inform us at this address: panel.office@mrc-cbu.cam.ac.uk.

Should you no longer wish to participate, all personally identifiable information held about you will be immediately deleted from the research panel database and this system.

In addition, if 5 years have elapsed since you last took part in a study it will be assumed that you no longer wish to participate and your personal information will be deleted.

If you take part in an MRI study, the radiographers will retain a copy of the safety screening form that includes your name, address and date of birth. This is kept securely and destroyed after 10 years.

Cookies

Like most websites, this site uses cookies which track the IP address of the computer being used (not the details of the person using it) to keep users logged in and to record which pages of the site have been visited.

Children's privacy

This site is not open to children. This site does not knowingly collect personal data from children.

Confidentiality / Security

This site has implemented security policies and technical measures to protect the personal data under its control from unauthorised access, improper use or disclosure, unauthorised modification, and unlawful destruction or accidental loss.

All employees and data processors, who have access to, and are associated with the processing of personal data, are obliged to respect the confidentiality of visitors' personal data.

This site ensures that your personal data will not be disclosed to State institutions and authorities except if required by law, or when necessary for ethical reasons.
Access to the personal data this site may hold about you

All data collected by this system is solely for research purposes and is collected by you volunteering the data. This may include name, gender, email address, telephone number, family characteristics, education and skills, health/medical data.

Under section 33 of the Data Protection Act any data held only for research purposes is exempt from the right of access to personal data specified in section 7 of the Act.

You may request that the data held about you is erased, rectified or amended.

Contact information

You must acknowledge and agree to these terms before you may use the system. If you have any questions you should contact the Volunteer Panel Manager at the address below before you acknowledge the agreement: panel.office@mrc-cbu.cam.ac.uk

More information about our current research is available on our website: http://www.mrc-cbu.cam.ac.uk/