

Research Study: Understanding the Brain in Autism Spectrum Disorders

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At Boston University Medical Center, we are studying brain processing of emotions in Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) in males between the ages of 14 and 28. In collaboration with Children's Hospital, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Massachusetts General Hospital and the BROAD Institute, we will investigate the interconnections between genes, brain activity, and behavior in ASD. If selected for the study, the individual will participate in different kinds of brain imaging while looking at faces and houses. All brain imaging techniques used are safe and non-invasive.

Participants Needed:

- Males aged 14 to 28 with an autism spectrum disorder (autism, Asperger syndrome, PDD).

Visits:

- 3 visits (one at Children's Hospital, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Massachusetts General Hospital)

Compensation:

- \$20 dollar payments per visit and up to \$165 over the course of the study.
- Travel and parking

Subjects will read and sign an informed consent form. Any questions or concerns will be addressed immediately by the experimenter, and subjects will be reminded of the voluntary nature of their participation verbally. Identity of the subject will be kept as confidential as possible as required by law. The subject is allowed to withdraw from the study at any time without any penalty.

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