

Attachment Development through Unconscious Social Emotion Regulation (USER)

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Ethical review	Approved WMO
Status	Pending
Health condition type	Family issues
Study type	Observational non invasive

Summary

ID

NL-OMON44489

Source

ToetsingOnline

Brief title

The USER Project

Condition

- Family issues

Synonym

N/A

Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Vrije Universiteit

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: veni beurs

Intervention

Keyword: attachment, embodiment, emotion regulation, skin temperature

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

The study's main endpoints are the skin-warming response of the child to parents' sad faces, and the child's generosity in warm (vs. cold) conditions (with several predictors, such as attachment of the parents, skin-warming of the parents to the child, etc.).

Secondary outcome

N/A

Study description

Background summary

The line of research we propose here thus seeks to address how some children build dependable associations through thermal cues (i.e., securely attached), whereas others do not (i.e., insecurely attached). This research is based on a recent line of research by the PI that shows that warm cues are related to relationship cognitions. The prediction is that contingent skin-warming responding of the parent(s) leads to secure attachment for the infant at a later age, and that this secure attachment is best predicted by the infant's own skin-warming responding.

Study objective

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Study design

The first part of the proposed project is a prospective longitudinal study in which a sample of young parents will be followed (from the child's birth until it is 6 months old). This longitudinal study is complemented by several within-participant studies, which will use the longitudinal study's

measurements as continuous predictors.

Study burden and risks

This study involves minimal risk.

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Trial sites

Listed location countries

Netherlands

Eligibility criteria

Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Children (2-11 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

Inclusion criteria

- Mother is a first time mother
- Age between 25-45
- Mother is planning to breastfed

- Native Dutch
- Mothers do not suffer from depression

Exclusion criteria

see inclusion criteria

Study design

Design

Study type: Observational non invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Other

Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 01-08-2014

Enrollment: 100

Type: Anticipated

Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 23-07-2014

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Brabant (Tilburg)

Approved WMO

Date: 14-03-2016

Application type: Amendment

Review commission: METC Brabant (Tilburg)

Study registrations

Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

In other registers

Register	ID
CCMO	NL49978.028.14