

From womb to world Study Summary



What is the study about?

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Why has my baby been invited?

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What happens if we take part?

At home



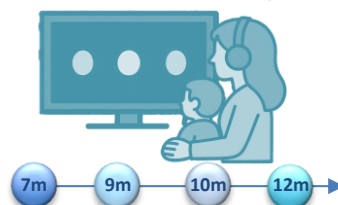
You wear a small audio recorder for 4 days.

In hospital



A small speaker outside the incubator plays gentle womb-like sounds and your filtered recordings to your baby.

Visits to the BabyLab



4 visits over 6 months, where your baby looks at images on a screen while hearing sounds.

Do we have to take part?



No, taking part is completely voluntary.

Are there any risks?



No known risks. The main inconvenience is the time commitment.

Will I receive any incentives?



As a thank you, you will receive a £20 voucher per BabyLab visit and a small gift for your child.



My data



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We will also follow all privacy rules. At the end of the study, we will save some of the data in case we need to check it and for future research. We will make sure no one can work out who you are from the reports we write.

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Any questions? Would you like to know more?

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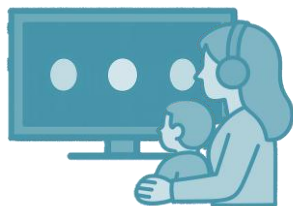


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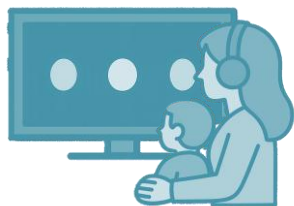


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