Aniseikonia: A potential barrier to neural plasticity

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET FOR PARTICIPANTS UNDER THE AGE OF 16

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To the Participant,

You are invited to participate in a study investigating aniseikonia (a condition which means your eyes have different image sizes). Please take your time to think about this invitation and talk about it with the people who look after you. Taking part is completely up to you and it is fine to say no.

What is the study about?
We are looking into how your eyes work together and measuring your eyes to find out if they are the same size. The aim of this study is to try and find ways to help both eyes to work together as a team.

Can you take part?
You can take part if you have a lazy eye that you can’t see through very well and a good eye that you can see through clearly. If you would like to take part in this study we will also test your eyes if you have not had them tested for a while, to check that you do have a lazy eye and that it is safe for you to take part.

What do you have to do?
We will ask you to read some letter charts and judge the size of some pictures/lines. We will also take some photos of your eyes, check how well your eyes work together and measure how well you see in 3D. If you do not wear glasses/contact lenses we will make some for you to wear while we do these measurements.

Your eyes might feel tired while we do some of these tests and if this happens you can take breaks.

If you decide that you don’t want to continue with the testing you can stop at any time.

If you have any questions about the study please feel free to contact the person leading the study, Joanna Black or ask the people you live with to contact him.
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