Late-Life Depression Research Study

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Thank You

We are writing to you as you previously took part in a research study at the University of Oxford investigating late-life depression.

Our study has now finished and we would like to update you on our results and thank-you once again for taking part in our research study and giving up your time to do so. Your help and effort was greatly appreciated and we are grateful for your valuable contribution to our research.

Our Results

Through using cutting-edge brain-imaging techniques, our work showed that differences in the *connections* between different brain regions play a key role in late-life depression.

These results have now been published in leading psychiatric journals and presented at international conferences in New Orleans and the Netherlands, at which Dr Charlotte Allan was awarded a prestigious IPA Research Award. Dr Claire Sexton has also presented results from the study at a national scientific poster exhibition, SET for Britain, at the House of Commons.

Our Current Research

The results of the study have greatly contributed to our current research. In particular, we are examining risk and resilience to depressive symptoms in a study involving 800 participants over the next 5 years.

We are also examining how the brain is able to adapt and change during the ageing process. This involves studies involving physical exercise programmes and 'brain training' techniques.

Find Out More

Charlotte Allan and Claire Sexton will be discussing late-life depression and presenting the results of the study at a 'Health Matters' talk on Tuesday 31st July 2012 7.30pm at Science Oxford. Please ring 01865 ... if you would like to attend this event.

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