

Personal information and privacy

The explanation below is an addition to the [general Maastricht University \(UM\) privacy statement](#).

No more than necessary personal information will be collected for participation in scientific research at the Faculty of Psychology and Neuroscience (FPN). This information will not be used for any other goals than scientific research. The choice will always be made to collect personal information with limited intrusion on your privacy.

To further protect your privacy, all your personal information will be stored confidentially, protected, if possible, by a code or even anonymised to make them untraceable back to you. In the last case, this information is no longer legally classified as personal information. Only FPN employees directly related to the research you are participating in will have access to your personal information. They will not be accessible to unauthorised third parties. Completely anonymous information about you can be used for further scientific research in the Netherlands and abroad. For collecting personal information, you need to give express permission. The personal information will be stored for as long as necessary for the scientific goals for which they were collected. Usually a term of 15 years is applied after the last publication of the concerning research.

Your rights and contact thereabout

According to the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) you have the right to know which personal information the university/faculty collects, with which goal, and from what sources this information is collected. This information is offered in the information letter and consent form belonging to the scientific research you will be taking part in. As a participant in scientific research, you have no right to review or revise your personal information, and no rights to the limitation of its processing.

As a participant in scientific research you can, of course, revoke your permission: before, during or after your participation, without reason. In that case you can indicate whether your personal information must also be deleted. In case the concerning research is not compromised, and it is technically possible, your personal information will be deleted by the faculty.

If you have any questions about the processing of personal information, you can contact the secretariat of the ethical review committee ERCPN via ercpn-fpn@maastrichtuniversity.nl. You can also contact Maastricht University's Data Protection Officer via fg@maastrichtuniversity.nl.