

Participate in On-line Studies of Ataxia

The Cognition and Action Lab at the University of California, Berkeley, is recruiting participants with ataxia for an on-line research study. The lab, directed by Professor Rich Ivry, seeks to understand how ataxia impacts motor performance and aspects of cognition such as attention, memory, and language.

The research involves behavioral experiments that are run on your home computer. In the motor experiments, we test how well you can control your computer mouse or trackpad to move the cursor around the computer screen. In the cognitive experiments, we test your short- and long-term memory, or how well you can change your focus of attention. The experiments are not physically demanding and last between 40 minutes and an hour. You can choose to participate in just one experiment or sign up for additional experiments. This program is supported by the National Institute of Health and approved by the Institutional Review Board at the University of California, Berkeley. You receive payment of \$20/hour for your participation.

This research is NOT a clinical trial and will not impact your medical treatment. Rather, as a basic research program, we seek to understand how the cerebellum works with the rest of the brain to produce coordinated movement and thought. We do expect that this work will, in the long run, prove beneficial to physicians as they develop novel interventions to assist individuals with ataxia. There are no risks associated with the study.

You can watch a video describing the mission of the Cognition and Action lab by clicking here:

<http://ivrylab.berkeley.edu/participate.html>

To sign up, please click here:

tinyurl.com/Ataxia-Study-Info

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