

Preparing for your functional MRI:

- What to wear:
 - Jeans, sweats, t-shirts, and other comfortable clothing are permitted to be worn during the scan
 - Please avoid shirts that have metallic buttons, eyelets, or zippers on them
 - Do not wear clothing labeled as “antimicrobial”, “anti-odor”, or that have metallic fibers
 - No hooded sweatshirts or ‘hoodies’
 - Sports or over the shoulder bras can be worn. Please avoid those that ‘criss-cross’ behind your neck or contain other metal
 - Nothing should be worn above the neck area. This includes anything on the head, including artificial hair, wigs, hats, scarves, etc
 - Please note that if you require a covering for religious or other personal reasons, we can provide a bonnet or attempt to make other accommodations if possible
 - All jewelry and piercings must be removed
 - Wear as little makeup as possible; none on or around your eyes as it may interfere with the study. Hair should be worn down, no buns or ponytails
 - If you have removable dental work, you will be asked to remove it before scanning
 - Those with tattoos must have had them done by a professional, not contain metallic or shiny ink, and not be in the head/neck area. Any tattoo should be at least 8 weeks old before scanning
- If you require glasses, please be sure to bring your prescription or wear contacts
- Most scans will last an hour or more and will require you to lay flat on your back
- Medical history:
 - You will be required to fill out a safety screening form prior to your scan to ensure that it is safe for you to participate in the study you are volunteering for
 - Those under 18 will need a parent or legal guardian to complete this form
 - Certain implants will require documentation to verify safety. If you have been given an implant card, please bring it with you the day of the scan. Otherwise inform the researcher so that we may try to find any necessary documentation
 - If you have ever had an injury involving metal to your eyes or skin, a radiology report will be required to demonstrate that no foreign bodies are present
 - Those who wear medication patches or insulin pumps will be asked to remove them prior to having an MRI. Please verify with your prescribing physician that it is safe to do so
- Young children are not permitted to be left unattended in the functional MRI lab
- Friends and family of those being scanned will be asked to remain in the waiting area while scanning is taking place
- If you have any questions regarding your MRI, feel free to contact your research associate or the fMRI lab itself at 734-936-8757