

WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

Institutional Review Board

Worcester Polytechnic Institute IRB
HHS IRB # 00007374

20 September 2016
IRB File: 16-189

**RE: IRB Application for Exemption # 16-189 "Supporting Data
Visualization Discovery and Reflection"**

Dear Prof. Harrison,

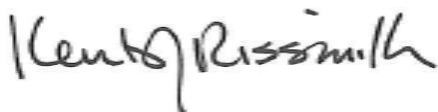
The WPI Institutional Review Committee (IRB) has reviewed the materials submitted in regards to the above mentioned study and has determined that this research is exempt from further IRB review and supervision under 45 CFR 46.101(b): (2) Research involving the use of educational tests (cognitive, diagnostic, aptitude, achievement), survey procedures, interview procedures or observation of public behavior, unless: (i) information obtained is recorded in such a manner that human subjects can be identified, directly or through identifiers linked to the subjects; and (ii) any disclosure of the human subjects' responses outside the research could reasonably place the subjects at risk of criminal or civil liability or be damaging to the subjects' financial standing, employability, or reputation.

This exemption covers any research and data collected under your protocol from 20 September 2016 until 19 September 2017, unless terminated sooner (in writing) by yourself or the WPI IRB. Amendments or changes to the research that might alter this specific exemption must be submitted to the WPI IRB for review and may require a full IRB application in order for the research to continue.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions about the terms of this exemption.

Thank you for your cooperation with the WPI IRB.

Sincerely,



Kent Rissmiller
WPI IRB Chair

WPI Institutional Review Board

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