

Debriefing

Thank you for participating in our study, "Phishing Email Education." To obtain your unbiased, natural reaction we did not inform you regarding the purpose of the study. Our research focuses on how phishing email educational feedback differs when it is prewritten by humans or generated by an AI model. Additionally, our research compares whether phishing email education could be improved by generating these emails using an AI model compared to using emails that are prewritten by humans. In your case, you observed emails (generated by an AI model OR prewritten by humans) and the feedback you observed was (generated by an AI model OR prewritten by humans). You may have responded unnaturally had you been aware of our true study purpose. To help ensure that other participants also have unbiased responses, we ask that you do not share information about this research project with others.

Although you have already completed your participation in the study, your involvement in the research is still voluntary. Now that you are aware of the true nature of our study, you may choose to have your data removed without penalty. Your choice to remove your data will not negatively affect your relationship with Dr. Gonzalez or Carnegie Mellon University. Because we work quickly to de-identify the study data, you must make your removal request at this time. Please consider carefully. After this point, we will no longer be able to identify your data to remove it.

Questions? Please contact Dr. Gonzalez at 412-268-6242, coty@cmu.edu. If you have questions or concerns about your rights as a research participant, you can contact the Carnegie Mellon IRB at (412) 268-4721, irb-review@andrew.cmu.edu.