**Deviation from Sampling Strategy**

During the data collection phase of this project we became aware of a preprint by Chatard, Hirschberger, & Pyszczynski (2020: see <https://psyarxiv.com/ejubn/>) that critiqued another large-scale, multi-lab replication effort (Many Labs 4) for deviating from its pre-registered design. Specifically, the authors argued that the Many Labs 4 project deviated from their preregistered plan by including smaller samples than specified in their pre-registration, and when these smaller samples were omitted, an effect emerged (when they were included no effect emerged).

In light of this preprint, and our ongoing experiences with conducting our own replication project, we thought it useful to revisit our own sampling criteria. In our original protocol we stated the following: “Participants will be recruited from twelve labs at ten universities throughout Europe and North America... Each lab will collect data from *at least* 100 participants, and a maximum of 150 participants, on the basis of their local resources.”

At this point the sampling criteria has been met for 11 out of the 12 participating labs (due to misunderstanding, one of these 11 labs collected data from more than the maximum number of participants). We are still waiting on a single lab (one of the original authors’ lab) to provide us with data. However, we are doubtful that between 100 and 150 participants will be recruited from this lab in a reasonable time.

We have a hard deadline for completing this project, and data collection was originally planned to end before Christmas. However, we still want to give the original authors an opportunity to fully participate in the entire process (including data collection). Therefore, we thought we would (a) reexamine our sample size planning decision and (b) clearly explicate that now, we are deviating from our original sampling strategy. Specifically, we have decided that ***all data will be included from all sites, even when the participating lab does not provide the minimum 100 participants*.** We are also now imposing an end date for data collection for practical reasons. ***This date is now 19/02*.**