



Information sheet

Research study: Pleasurable moments in music **information for participants**

We would like to invite you to be part of this research project, if you would like to. You should only agree to take part if you want to, it is entirely up to you. If you choose not to take part there won't be any disadvantages for you and you will hear no more about it.

Please read the following information carefully before you decide to take part; this will tell you why the research is being done and what you will be asked to do if you take part. Please ask if there is anything that is not clear or if you would like more information, by emailing the researcher at r.defleurian@qmul.ac.uk.

If you decide to take part you will be asked to complete a consent form to say that you agree. You are still free to withdraw at any time and without giving a reason.

The purpose of this research is to better understand pleasurable moments in music, what causes them, and what they lead to. We are also interested in the phenomenon of chills, defined as shivers, goosebumps, or a tingling sensation experienced in response to music listening.

In this survey study, you will be asked to indicate pieces of music during which you experience chills, and specific instants for such experiences within individual pieces. You will also be asked about your stylistic preferences and about the extent of your musical training. We anticipate this survey to take about 20 minutes of your time.

Please note that to be eligible as a participant for this study, you need to be able to identify specific instants at which you often experience chills within pieces of music.

It is up to you to decide whether or not to take part. If you do decide to take part you will be given this information sheet to keep and be asked to complete a consent form.

If you have any questions or concerns about the manner in which the study was conducted please, in the first instance, contact the researcher responsible for the study. If this is unsuccessful, or not appropriate, please contact the Secretary at the Queen Mary Ethics of Research Committee, Room W104, Queen's Building, Mile End Campus, Mile End Road, London or research-ethics@qmul.ac.uk.