Bare-faced cheat: Women 'better at hiding infidelity'

Notes & Cues: Article: You can't hide your lying eyes: scientists have revealed that women can judge whether a man is likely to be unfaithful just by looking at his face but men are less able to spot a cheating woman. Researchers at the University of Western Australia took a group of 1, 500 people and showed them pictures of 189 Caucasian adults (101 men and 88 women), having first asked them if they had been unfaithful to their partners. Respondents were then asked to rank these faces on a scale of one to 10, where one is "not at all likely to be unfaithful" and 10 is "extremely likely" to play the field. The result, published in the journal Royal Society Open Science, was that "taken together, both men and women showed above-chance accuracy for men's faces but not women's faces. Therefore, perceived unfaithfulness may indeed contain some kernel of truth in male faces". What makes women suspect men might sleep around? According to the survey, it mainly boils down to perceived masculinity, although the researchers came up with another unexpected result, suggesting it's not the best-looking men that play away the most. Despite the findings, one of the scientists involved in the report cautioned against jumping to conclusions on a first date. Although men are marginally more likely to betray infidelity with their features, it is still difficult to spot possible cheats from one individual's face, said Yong Zhi Foo. **Summary:**