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Effects of Age: Detection of Emotion

Frequently, people encounter situations in their environment in which it is impossible to attend to all available stimuli. It is therefore of great importance for one's attentional processes to select only the most salient information in the environment to which one should attend. Previous research has suggested that emotional information is priority to attentional selection in young adults (Jones, 2003; Strenhoff, 2007), an obvious service to evolutionary drives to approach rewarding situations and to avoid threat and danger (Wickitt, 2010).



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