

Scientific Study:

Hearing damage from blast exposure

Have you served in the Armed Forces, are below the age of 50 and were exposed to one or multiple blasts during your military service? If so, we would love to hear from you. We are a scientific team of hearing researchers based at The Royal British Legion's Centre for Blast Injury Studies at Imperial College London. We are currently planning an investigation of the hearing damage that results from blast exposure. Our study will contribute to better aid and compensation for war veterans with hearing impairments.

If you agree to participate, we will ask you to come to our testing facility at Imperial College London on a convenient day that we will schedule together. For testing, you will listen to different sounds such as short tones and speech. We will ask you questions about what you have heard. We will also measure your brain activity from noninvasive electrodes attached to your scalp. The testing will take two hours. You will have your travel expenses (public transportation where possible and taxi) reimbursed, as well as receive an additional compensation of £50 for each individual visit (£150 for three visits). All study results, and in particular all of your results, will remain completely anonymous.

If you are interested in participating we would be glad to hear from you. Please send an email to Tobias Reichenbach (reichenbach@imperial.ac.uk).

