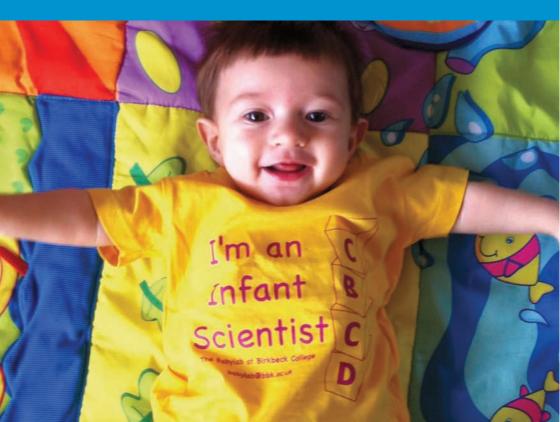




Infant scientists wanted!



Are you pregnant, or do you have a baby between the ages of 0–10 months who has an older sibling with autism and/or ADHD?

The Studying Autism and ADHD Risk in Siblings (STAARS) project is part of the British Autism Study of Infant Siblings (BASIS), a UK wide network of researchers. Our aim is to learn more about the early development of baby brothers and sisters of children with autism and/or ADHD. We hope our studies will in the long-term help to improve early detection and diagnosis of children with autism and ADHD.

If you are pregnant, or have a baby between the age of 0–10 months who has a full sibling diagnosed with an Autism Spectrum Disorder and/or an Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, please contact us for more details.

Travel costs to central London (WC1) are reimbursed and special arrangements are made for families who live further away.

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ASD/ADHD Facts

- Autism affects more than 1 in 100 (over 700,000) people in the UK.
- Autism costs the UK £28 billion per year.
- Autism is a lifelong condition.
- ADHD affects 3–5% of children in the UK.
- Studies suggest that between 25–83% of people with autism also show symptoms of ADHD.

STAARS AIMS

- To identify the earliest signs of ASD/ADHD.
- To lower the age of diagnosis.
- To make it possible to design earlier and more effective interventions.
- To improve the quality of life for individuals with ASD/ADHD and their families.

