

[Debriefing Letter/Script*]

[*Modify this template as best suits your study, deleting all text in square brackets. Depending on the study the Debriefing Letter may be a formal letter, a verbal script, or the final page of an online survey. The purpose is to achieve mutual understanding and provide further resources.]

[Title of Your Study]

[Principal Investigator(s) names and contact information]

[Date]

Thank you for your participation in this study! Your participation is greatly appreciated. The purpose of this study was [briefly indicate the purpose, predicted findings, and methods of the study, and give any other relevant information about the study to achieve participant understanding of your research].

Here are some references if you would like to read more about this area of research.

[List references]

[*If deception has been used,

- It is mandatory that the nature of the deception be carefully explained, together with a reason for using it.
- Suggest where they can get counseling if necessary.
- Inform the participant that if they are uncomfortable with having being deceived that they are free to withdraw their data from the sample.]

[Remind the participant how you will maintain confidentiality (as explained in your LOI), indicate the process by which they can remove their data if they change their mind, and how they can access the final study results, if applicable].

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Chair, Huron Research Ethics Board by emailing <u>huronreb@uwo.ca</u>.

Thank you,

[Insert investigator name]

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