PARTICIPANTS NEEDED

Examining the effects of ketamine on learning and memory in heavy drinkers

CLINICAL PSYCHOPHARMACOLOGY UNIT, UCL

We are recruiting heavy drinkers who want to cut down to take part in a study that will help us understand the brain chemistry of learning and memory related to heavy drinking. As part of this study you may be given a dose of intravenous ketamine, which is an anaesthetic drug with strong psychological effects, or a placebo.

To take part in this study you must:

1. Drink 30 units (female) or 40 units (male) or more per week and drink on 4 or more days per week
2. Seriously want to reduce the amount you drink
3. Be an otherwise healthy 18-65 year old
4. Be able to attend three testing sessions at UCL
5. NOT be pregnant or breastfeeding
6. Agree to be given a single dose of intravenous Ketamine or placebo as part of the study

Note that we have other strict inclusion criteria and you will need to complete a telephone screening to check your eligibility for the study.

All drug procedures will take place at UCLH under the supervision of a trained anaesthetist.

You will be reimbursed £80-£100 in total for your time

To request an information sheet and be screened to take part, please email CPUexperiments@gmail.com, with the heading ‘ketamine study’ and provide a contact telephone number so that we can call you to check you are eligible to take part.