

Florida Atlantic University's Infant Emotion Lab is conducting a mother-infant bonding study

We want to invite pregnant moms to join!

In addition to behavioral aspects of bonding, the study will also address physiological aspects of bonding, specifically the oxytocinergic bonding pathway. Oxytocin, often referred to as the “feel good” hormone, has been used as a predictor of mother-infant socio-emotional interactive quality.



Incentives for participation include:

- Free Kangaroo Care Wrap or Infant Support Pillow!
- Free postnatal visit with an infant care specialist for assistance with infant feeding and other infant care topics!
- Age-appropriate toys for your baby at each visit!
- Monetary compensation for travel during lab visits, when appropriate

Kangaroo care is a low-cost technique that has been used with term and premature infants, to promote optimal infant development and bonding. In some cases, this study will utilize kangaroo care to examine the effects of skin-to-skin contact on mother-infant oxytocin levels and their patterns of bonding and emotional synchrony.



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