



# Reproducibility Project: Psychology

## Design

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# **Two Major Design Challenges**

**1. Generalizability of Results**

**2. Ensuring High-Quality Replications**

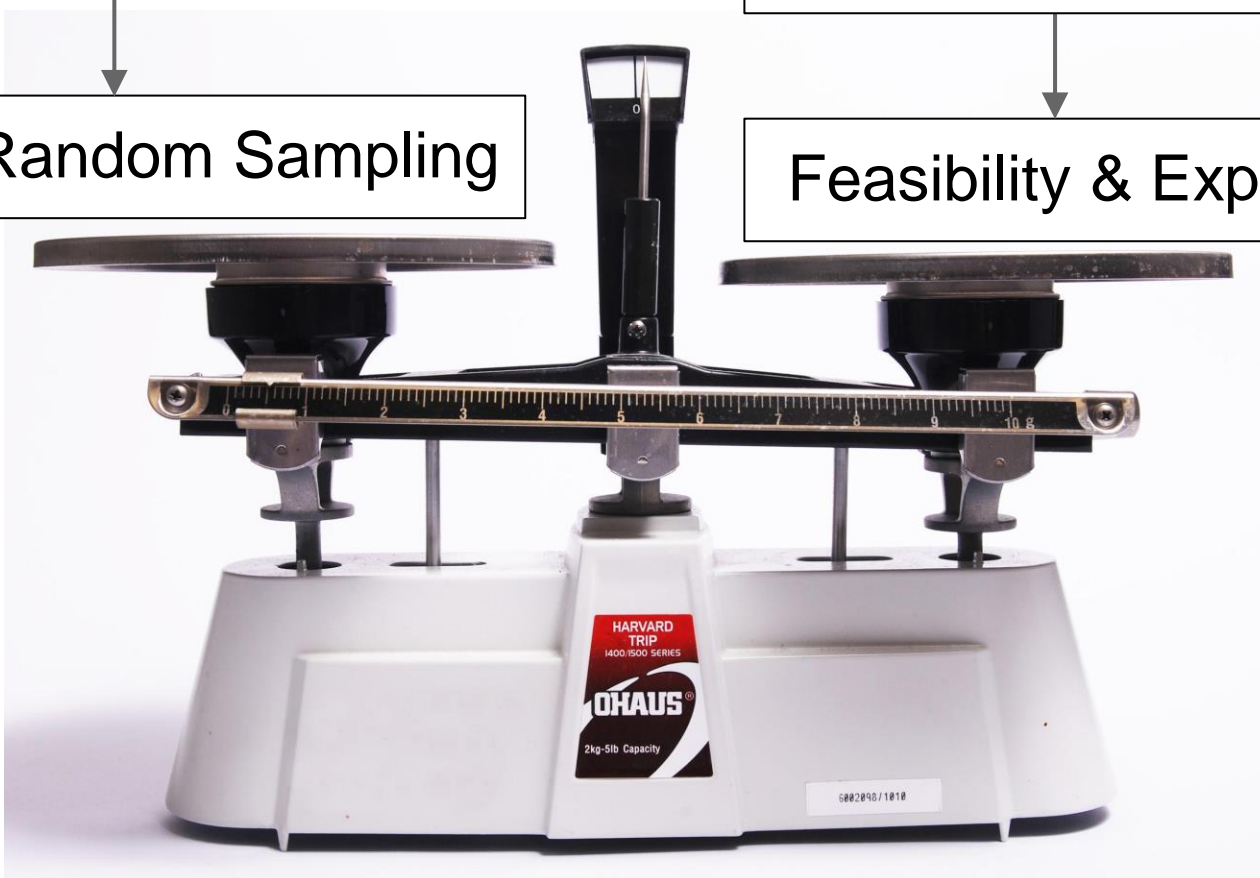
# 1. Generalizability of Results

Maximally Representative

Maximize Participation

Fully Random Sampling

Feasibility & Expertise



# Selection of Replication Studies

Studies for Replication ☆

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BC Storm, EL Bjork, RA Bjork

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1	To Be Vetted		
2	Author	Title	Status
3	ST Wolf, CA Insko, JL Kirchner,	Interindividual-intergroup discontinuity in the domain of correspondent outcomes: The ro	claimed
4	J Förster, N Liberman, S Kusch	The effect of global versus local processing styles on assimilation versus contrast in so	
5	V Purdie-Vaughns, CM Steele, F	Social identity contingencies: How diversity cues signal threat or safety for African Ame	
6	K Fiedler	The ultimate sampling dilemma in experience-based decision making.	one attempt made, a
7	CP Beaman, I Neath, AM Surpre	Modeling distributions of immediate memory effects: No strategies needed?	claimed
8	T Meiser, C Sattler, K Weisser	Binding of multidimensional context information as a distinctive characteristic of< em>	
9	CJ Berry, DR Shanks, RN Hens	A single-system account of the relationship between priming, recognition, and fluency.	
10	CT Weidemann, DE Huber, RM	Prime diagnosticity in short-term repetition priming: Is primed evidence discounted, even	
11	K Dent, RA Johnston, GW Hum	Age of acquisition and word frequency effects in picture naming: A dual-task investigati	

Replicators chose study from list of feasible studies from articles from 2008 issues of:

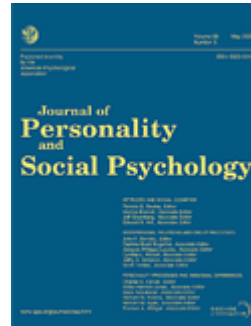
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*JEPLMC*



*JPSP*



**160** studies available

**80**  
studies  
claimed

**80**  
studies  
unclaimed

**31**  
replications  
fully done

**14**  
replications  
done w/  
data  
collection

**40**  
replications  
started &  
ongoing

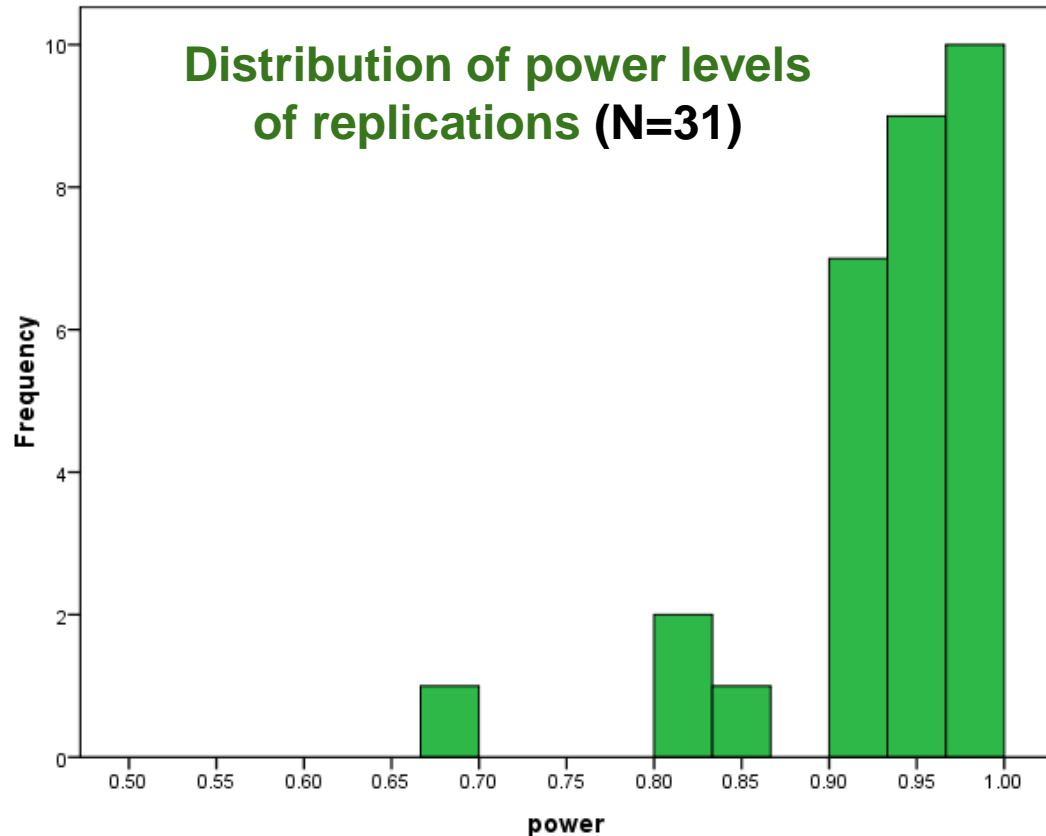


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## **2. Ensuring High-Quality Replications**

# 2.1 High Statistical Power

Large sample sizes that achieved minimum statistical power of 80%



87% of replications achieved >90% power  
Median power level = 95%!



## 2.2 Original Materials



**>95% of replications successfully  
acquired original materials**





# 2.3 Standardized Replication Protocol

- Target sample size and sampling procedures
- Exact procedures & task instructions
- Exact materials & measures
- Exact data preparation & analyses

## Replication of Study 2 by Correll (2008, JPSP)

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### Introduction

[No abstract is needed.] Each replication project will have a straightforward, no fluff report of the study and results. These reports will be publicly available as supplementary material for the aggregate report(s) of the project as a whole. Also, to maximize project integrity, the intro and methods will be written and critiqued in advance of data collection. Introductions can be just 1-2 paragraphs clarifying the main idea of the original study, the target finding for replication, and any other essential information. It will NOT have a literature review – that is in the original report.

Reaction times in behavioral tasks are often used to infer psychological processes. Typically, latencies are averaged across different sets of trials, which ignores a great deal of information about trial-by-trial variation in those latencies. Correll (2008) investigated whether such trial-by-trial variability in latencies could shed new light on the psychological processes underlying implicit racial bias. Specifically, Correll aimed to test the possibilities that (a) trial-to-trial fluctuations vary in a non-random fashion and (b) the pattern of variability depends on participants' task-related effort" (p. 49). Overall, Correll found that trial-by-trial variation in latencies in a weapon identification task revealed non-random patterns reflecting 1/f noise. Furthermore, it was found that effort to avoid racial bias modulated such non-random 1/f noise in latency variability of the implicit measure whereby increased effort led to less non-random 1/f noise as compared to a baseline control condition.

The target finding for replication is the main finding of Study 2 where participants were assigned to one of three experimental conditions [1] use race during the weapon identification task, [2] avoid race, or [3] control condition where race went unmentioned. Correll found that participants instructed to use race and avoid race exhibited less 1/f noise than participants in the control condition (planned contrast: average of experimental conditions compared to control condition). 1/f noise was assessed by applying a fast Fourier transform (FFT) to each participant's wave of latency variability data, yielding power spectral density (PSD) slopes which involve plotting the power of the component waves against their frequency (less negative PSD slopes assumed to reflect more effort).

### Methods

#### Power Analysis

[Glick and LeBel \(2015\) provided effect size, power analysis for samples to achieve 80%, 90%, 95% power to detect that effect size.](#) Considerations of feasibility for selecting planned sample size.

The main result that is the target of replication is Correll's (2008) planned contrast showing a statistically significant difference in the magnitude of the PSD slopes between the control condition and the average of the two experimental conditions,  $F(1, 68) = 5.52, p < .02$  (p. 56).

**100% of replications produced protocol prior to data collection**



# 2.4 Vetting of Replication Protocols



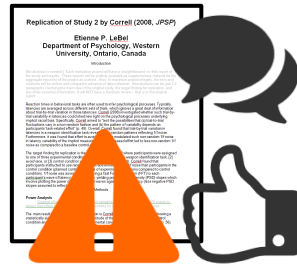
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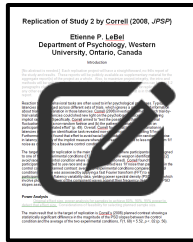
Original author(s)

Vetted  
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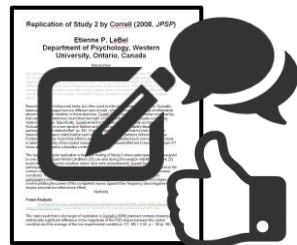


Replicator(s)



RP:P Project  
Member(s)

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# 2.5 Protocols Publicly Posted

To maximize  
transparency &  
accountability



100% of replications publicly posted  
protocols prior to data collection

