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Consent to Participate in Research

You are invited to participate in a Research study that has been approved by the Rensselaer Institutional Review Board (IRB). The IRB reviews and approves all human subject research in accordance with applicable state law and federal law governing Human Subject Research.

RESEARCH STUDY TITLE: The Role of Frequency Context and Transients in the Perception of Warmth by Professional Audio Engineers

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR: AARON WALKER

DESCRIPTION

To discover if the context of the audio stimulus effects the perception of soundstage.

METHODS

- Subjects will listen to audio tracks and answer questions about the perceived soundstage.
- No sensitive information will be collected.

BENEFITS

- There are no benefits to participation in the study.
- No payment or remuneration is being offered.

POSSIBLE RISKS AND DISCOMFORT

- The risks associated with this study are minimal, as your answers are a matter of your own experience or opinion. The interview methods are comparable to those routinely used in non-research settings by media and communications professionals.

EXPECTED DURATION

- About 30 minutes.

PAYMENT AND COMPENSATION

- You will not receive any form of payment or remuneration for your participation in this research study.

PARTICIPANT'S RIGHTS

- Your participation in this research study is voluntary. You may end your participation at any time without penalty.

DATA CONFIDENTIALITY AND SECURITY

- Only the Principal Investigator named above will have access to records associating your name with the research data you have provided. All other members of the research team will work with coded research data that is not associated with your name or other personal information. All coded research data will be stored on a password-protected computer in a locked room, accessible only to the Principal Investigator. All data will be retained for a minimum period of three years after the completion of data collection. The signed Consent Forms will be kept in a locked cabinet accessible only to the Principal Investigator.

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SHARING OF RESEARCH RESULTS

- The results of this study may be presented at scientific or professional meetings, published in scientific journals, or otherwise shared with the general public. *However, no statements will be directly attributed to you, and your name or other identifying information will not be publicly shared or included in published materials.*

CONTACT INFORMATION

For further information or questions about this research, please contact:

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SIGNATURE 1: CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN RESEARCH

By signing below, I confirm that I am at least 18 years of age and that I consent to participation in the research study described above.

Signed _____ Date _____

Printed Name _____

Study Participants: Please keep the second copy of this Consent Form for your records.