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GRANT FUNDING AND HONORS

Scholarships and Grant Funding

Brown UniversityPredoctoral Seed Money Research Grant (\$2215)

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- Levine, J. A., Noyes, E. T., Gius, B. K., Ahlich, E., Rancourt, D., Houston, R. J., & Schlauch, R. C. (2018). Development and psychometric evaluation of a brief approach and avoidance of alcohol questionnaire. Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Bearch, 43(2)353-366. doi: 10.1111/acer.13939.
- Ahlich, E., Lang, B., Choquette, E., & Rancourt, D. (2018). Body talk, athletic identity, and eating disorder symptoms in men. Psychology of Men and Masculinit Q(3), 347-355. doi: 10.1037/men0000168.
- Verzijl, C. L., Ahlich, E., Lang, B., & Rancourt, D. (2018). Body mass index as a moderator of the association between weight Status misperception and disordered eating behaviors. Eating Behaviors, 30, 98-103. doi:10.1016/j.eatbeh.2018.06.008.
- 15. Verzijl, C. L., Ahlich, E., Schlauch, R. C., & Rancourt, D. (2017). The role of craving in emotional and uncontrolled eating. Appetite, 123146-151. doi: 10.1016/j.appet.2017.12.014.

Book Chapters

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Published Abstracts (reverse chronological order)

1. Verzijl, C., Ahlich, E., Rancourt, D., Hagerman, J. R., & Weiss, A. (2019). 143. Medical and mental health predictors of pre-operative BMI in an adolescent sample seeking bariatric surgery. Journal of Adolescent Healtb4(2), S74.

Manuscripts in Progress

- 1. Ahlich, E., Wooten, M., Thomas, J.G. (Under Review). The relation of emotion regulation and impulsivity to weight loss and weight loss maintenance. Obesity Science & Practice.
- 2. Ahlich, E., Poovey, K., & Rancourt, D. (Writing in Progress). Examination of the Water Load Task as a Measure of Gastric Interoception and Associations with Disordered Eating.

PRESENTATIONS

<u>Symposia</u>

 Ahlich, E., Beekman, M., & Rancourt, D. (2019, November). The Impact of Idealized Media Images on Body Checking: An Examination Utilizing Behavioral Observation. In L. D. Sarfan (Chair), Am I good enough? The role of selfaluation in the context of body image and disordered eating Symposium presented at the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Atlanta, GA. Sponsored by Eating Disorder and Obesity Special Interest Group.

- 2. Verzijl, C.L., Ahlich, E., Lang, B., Choquette, E.M., & Rancourt, D. (2018, November). Psychiatric symptom contributors to weight loss after bariatric surgesymposium presented at the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Washington, DC.
- 3. Ahlich, E., & Carlson, J. (2009, March). Shyness and feelings of inadequatymposium presented at the Michigan Undergraduate Psychology Research Conference, Hillsdale College MI.

Posters

- 1. Ahlich, E. & Rancourt, D. (2022, November). Boredom and Interoceptive Ability as Predictors of Emotional EatingPoster accepted for presentation at The Obesity Society Annual Meeting.
- 2. Verzijl, C., Ahlich, E., Staples, C., Cunning, A., Weiss, A., Chermak, R., & Rancourt, D. (2020, November). Disorderedeating behaviorvariability and weight bias of adolescent seeking bariatric surgery. Poster presented at The Obesity Society Annual Meeting.
- Verzijl, C., Ahlich, E., Nadeau, J., Farrell, N., Cook, J., & Rancourt, D. (2020, November). Avoidance food craving: How does the dimension of craving relate to mealtime anxiety in an eating disorder treatment sample? Description of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies.
- 4. Ahlich, E., Attaway, S., & Rancourt, D. (2020, November). General versus hunger/satiespecific interoceptive awareness in predicting disordered eathogter accepted for presentation at the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies.
- 5. Ahlich, E., Verzijl, C.L., & Rancourt, D. (2020, June). Boredomproneness antbod craving: The moderatingrole of r

Consumption Scale (CEBRAC**B**) ster presented at the International Conference on Eating Disorders, Chicago, IL.

- 15. Choquette, E.M., Verzijl, C.L., **Ahlich**, E., Lang, B., Thompson, J.K., & Rodgers., R. F. (2018, April). *Could pressure from medical professionals to maintain a "healthy weight" increase eating* disorder symptoms? oster presented at the International Conference on Eating Disorders, Chicago, IL.
- 16. Ahlich, E., Levine, J., Schlauch, R. C, & Rancourt, D. (2017, November). A multidimensional model of craving: Development and psychometric evaluation of the Approach and Avoidance of Food QuestionnairePoster presented at the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, San Diego, CA.
- 17. Verzijl, C.L., Ahlich, E., Lang, B., Schlauch, R., & Rancourt, D. (2017, November). Inaccurate weight perception and the role of directionality: Does this protective resent in adolescents translate to young adults over presented at the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, San Diego, CA.
- 18. Ahlich, E., Verzijl, C.L., Lang, B., & Rancourt, D. (2017, October). Inaccurate weight perception and disorderd eating behavior in adults of overweight or obese statuser presented at The Obesity Society Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.
- 19. Verzijl, C.L., Lang, B., Ahlich, E., Schlauch, R., & Rancourt, D. (2017, May). The role of craving in emotional and uncontried eating: A test and extension of cognitive processing model of alcohol craving. Poster presented at the International Conference on Eating Disorders, Prague, Czech Republic.
- 20. Ahlich, E., Lang, B, & Rancourt, D. (2017, May). Drives for muscularity and thness: Associations with age and gendePoster presented at the International Conference on Eating Disorders, Prague, Czech Republic.
- 21. Rancourt, D., Lee, M., Ahlich, E., & Schlauch, R. C. (2016, November). Applying a multidimensional model of craving tosdirdered eating behaviorBoster presented at the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New York NY.
- 22. Lang, B., Ahlich, E., Choquette, E., & Rancourt, D. (2016, May). Possible mechanisms of the association between men's selfrveillance andbody talk.Poster presented at the International Conference on Eating Disorders, San Francisco CA.
- 23. Ahlich, E., Lang, B., Choquette, E., & Rancourt, D. (2016, May). Body talk, sport participation, and dating disorder symptoms in metaster presented at the International Conference on Eating Disorders, San Francisco CA.
- 24. Ahlich, E., Carlson, J., Christopher, A., & Keyes, B. (2011, May). Emotional intelligence as a moderator of the relationship between shyness and feelings of inadepusacypresented at the Association for Psychological Science, Washington DC.

Invited Presentations & Community Outreach

- 1. Ahlich, E. & Rancourt, D. (2022, March). Boredom, Interoceptive Ability, and Emotional Eating Presented at the Carney Institute for Brain Science and the Department of Psychiatry and Human Behavior 24th Annual Mind Brain Research Day (Virtual).
- Ahlich, E., Verzijl, C., & Rancourt, D. (2019). Foodcraving: Theoreticalunderpinnings, measurement, and elation to disordered eating among those with ype 1 diabetes Presen 0544 at 01997 msent0 TJt,0912 0 Clinical Psychology Department Colloquium.
- 3. Ahlich

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