

Eyes Without a Face

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Face identification depends on facial features.

Humans rely on faces to identify others. During facial processing, humans visually fixate on the eyes and eyebrows. These facial features provide crucial information for recognizing individuals. They also provide information about a person's disposition and intentions—factors that are key parts of social interactions. Manipulating a facial image via facial inversion or eye and eyebrow removal hinders face recognition. Face identification is essential for developing social relationships.

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