**Ethical Review Committee Psychology and Neuroscience FPN
Complaints procedure**

The Ethical Review Committee Psychology and Neuroscience (ERCPN) is an advisory committee advising the board of the Faculty of Psychology and Neuroscience on the permissibility of academic research from an ethical perspective.[[1]](#footnote-1) The ERCPN does not have its own complaints procedure.

There are three types of complaints in relation to the ERCPN:

1. complaints made by researchers about the functioning of ERCPN, about individual committee members and/or the nature and content of the advice given;
2. complaints made by test subjects or parents/carers/responsible parties concerning the research design and implementation and/or conduct of the researchers;
3. complaints made by researchers about the conduct of other researchers.

The Faculty Board is the complaints body in the event of the types of complaints listed under 1 and 2, on the understanding that for the complaints under 2 the responsible researcher must first be contacted, who must be listed as such in all information provided to the test subjects. The researcher is required to inform the ERCPN if complaints are submitted.
For the complaints under 3 the chairman of the department or director of the research institute in question is the first point of contact. Specifically responsible for academic integrity is the Maastricht University (UM) confidential adviser on academic integrity.

If you have any questions, please email to: ercpn-fpn@maastrichtuniversity.nl

1. Psychology and neuroscience research that uses test subjects or data which can be traced to individuals and that is submitted to the committee for review (ERCPN Regulations 2016). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)