

Emotions and Attraction

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In this talk we will present the idea behind an ERP study that looks at *Affective Primacy* (Zajonc, 1980, 2000; Delaney-Busch & Kuperberg, 2013) and the *Syntactic Encapsulation Hypothesis* (Ferreira & Clifton, 1986; Friederici & Weissenborn, 2007). Namely, we will examine whether the emotional value of an attractor may modulate attraction effects, a finding that would suggest that affective information processing can impact syntactic processing and shed light on the kind of information that is used in grammatical computations.