Dear Colleague,

Thank you for your interest in the “Bath Emotion and Pain Posture Stimuli” (BEPPS). The BEPPS is a set of dynamic affective body posture stimuli which include pain postures alongside expressions for happiness, sadness, disgust, anger, fear, and surprise. Neutral postures are also included, as are static versions of each stimulus. Standardisation data are provided with the stimuli, which can be used as a whole set or as individual stimuli.

The BEPPS is available without cost to fellow researchers who wish to examine any area of body posture communication. They are intended solely for use in academic, not-for-profit research. Whilst the stimuli are freely available, it is expected that users will not release the stimuli to any profit making organisation or company. Finally, they are not to be released to any media source or outlet; making these stimuli available to the general public may compromise their experimental value.

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Thank you again for your interest.