XPhi Replication Project
Open call for participation

As part of a special issue at the Review of Philosophy and Psychology, we plan to conduct a large-scale collaborative project aiming to assess the replicability of results in experimental philosophy, and invite researchers to join us in this project (there is also an open call for other paper submissions to this special issue accessible here). To assess the replicability of results in experimental philosophy, 24 experimental philosophy papers will be selected from journals on the basis of a blind procedure (12 papers among the most cited, 12 papers selected at random). For each paper, only the first study will be the target of replication.

The replication teams will assume half of the effect size reported in the target paper. It would also be good (though optional) for replication team to contact authors of the original study to make sure the replication follows as closely as possible the original methods (e.g. control questions and comprehension checks on the basis of which participants are excluded from the study are not always thoroughly reported).

All results will be presented in a single paper, to be published in the aforementioned special issue. All researchers who participated in the project will be counted as authors for this paper.

Unfortunately, we do not have funding for this project. Thus, each replication team would pay for the experiment(s) they replicate (though we will be selecting primarily Internet based studies which are generally inexpensive).

If you are willing to participate in this project, send a mail with “XPhi Replication” to this address: xphi.replication@gmail.com. Please indicate in the mail the maximum number of experiments you or your team (in the case of a PI response) would be able to run. We will then follow-up with more information about which specific study/studies you will be assigned to replicate.

The replication attempts will begin as of November 1st, with the expectation that these should be completed within 6 months. A manuscript will be written (led by Florian Cova), and all experimenters involved in the project will be included as a co-author on the final paper (a first draft of which we expect to be produced and available for peer-review by November 1st, 2017.