Fertile women are more prejudiced against strange men, U.S. study says

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Women are more prejudiced toward male strangers when they are fertile, says a new U.S. study, which suggests bias is partly ingrained in human DNA.

Researchers at Michigan State University asked 252 female university students, both Caucasian and black, to look at photos of men's faces, also both Caucasian and black. The women then had to link each face with either a physical adjective, such as muscular, or a mental one, such as brainy.

The women, who were not pregnant nor on hormonal birth control, also recorded their menstrual cycles.

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