

Data collection notice for
The Recontextualization of Feminine Language Features Across Speech Settings in
RuPaul's Drag Race

This data is collected in the public interest as part of the research project “The Recontextualization of Feminine Language Features Across Speech Settings in *RuPaul's Drag Race*,” conducted by Merve V. Kaya under supervision of Dr. Julia Bacskai-Atkari at the University of Amsterdam, English Language and Culture.

Purpose of the research project

This thesis project explores the role of linguistic features marking femininity in the construction of drag personas as prior research on drag discourse has described a tendency for drag queens to draw on lexical features which are associated with stereotypical femininity to engage with gender-bending at the linguistic level. For this reason, the current project sets out to investigate whether this phenomenon also occurs in the speech of the drag queens on *RuPaul's Drag Race* and relies on quantitative evidence in the process.

What data is collected?

The dataset comprises subtitle transcripts from the fifteenth season of the competitive reality tv series *RuPaul's Drag Race* (2009 – present). The data were collected from <https://www.opensubtitles.org/en/search/sublanguageid-all/pimdbid-1353056/season-15>, and they were used to compile the *RuPaul's Drag Race* corpus (RPDRC) consisting of 71,664 tokens in total.

Discomfort, Risks & Insurance

The risks of participating in this research project are minimal given that no or hardly any discomfort is to be expected for participants.

For all research at the University of Amsterdam, a standard liability insurance applies.

Confidential treatment of personal data

The information gathered over the course of this research will be used for the purpose of this research project. No personal details other than those disclosed on the tv series are used or stored, and the data are only accessible to members of the research staff.

Data will be stored for a period of 10 years. The personal data will only be stored as long as is necessary for the research and will be deleted as soon as possible.

Further information

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If you have any complaints regarding this research project, you can contact the secretary of the Ethics Committee of the Faculty of Humanities of the University of Amsterdam, commissie-ethiek-fgw@uva.nl; Binnengasthuisstraat 9, 1012 ZA Amsterdam, The Netherlands.