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Lying can be felt on your face

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DidUhear - GRANADA - University of Granada researchers have confirmed Pinocchio isn't the only one whose nose changes when he lies.

Using thermography, psychology researchers found the "Pinocchio effect" does exist: when a person lies, the temperature around the nose and in the orbital muscle in the inner corner of the eye rise, ScienceDaily reports. Their work also revealed when we perform a task that requires considerable mental effort, our face temperature drops, and when we have an anxiety attack, our facial temperature rises.

Emilio Gomez and Elvira Lopez also studied sexual excitement and desire and found that the patterns are the same in men and women - increased chest and genital temperatures. However, they found women may be lying about when they're getting interested.

In physiological terms, men and women get turned on about the same time, although women say they're not excited or only slightly so.



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