

## Hopkins Scientists Seek Religious Leaders

to take part in a research study of psilocybin and mystical experience

Can psilocybin help deepen spiritual lives?

Psilocybin, a substance found in certain "sacred mushrooms," has been reported to occasion unitive and mystical experiences. Researchers at the Johns Hopkins University are studying the effects of psilocybin and wish to do so with the expertise of religious leaders or teachers of congregations and spiritual communities.

Leaders from all traditions are invited to volunteer. Participants will receive psilocybin in day-long contemplative sessions conducted by trained, supportive staff in a comfortable, living-room-like setting.

Volunteers must be between 25 and 80, have no personal or family history of severe psychiatric illness, and have no recent history of alcoholism or other drug addictions. Johns Hopkins maintains confidentiality for all human research.

To inquire about the possibility of participating, please call **410 550–0037** or email **religiousleaderstudy@jhmi.edu** 

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