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Language Disorders of Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder and Fragile X-associated Conditions

Message from the Guest Editor

Language and communication challenges are hallmark signs of autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and fragile X syndrome (FXS). In both populations, patterns of overlap and divergence have been noted across social communication, syntax, vocabulary, and language development over time. Nevertheless, the heterogeneity of both conditions complicates approaches to intervention. Within-individual variations in biology, cognition, sensorimotor functioning, and environmental factors can each contribute to these patterns. This Special Issue is seeking submissions pertaining to language in ASD and fragile X-associated conditions, which may include affected individuals, family members, or other caregivers. We aim to develop our understanding of relationships between language, biology, cognition, and environmental variability. The consideration of within-family patterns is encouraged. Submitted manuscripts need not include both diagnostic groups to be considered. By identifying language patterns associated with ASD, FXS, other FXassociated conditions, and family members, we can continue to improve approaches to intervention and family-related supports across the lifespan.

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