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Genetics and Genomics of Intellectual Disability

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Intellectual disability (ID) is а common neurodevelopmental disorder characterized bv an intelligence quotient (QI) lower than 70, associated with functional deficit in adaptive behavior. The mechanisms underlying the pathophysiology of this disorder remain elusive and, consequently, effective treatments have not yet been established. Finding a specific cause for ID has the potential to lead to more effective early intervention, targeted treatments, anticipation of comorbidities, and counselling for parents about prognosis and recurrence risk

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