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Social Functioning Determinants of the Clinical Course and Outcomes of Autism Spectrum Disorder

Message from the Guest Editors

Autism is a highly prevalent neurodevelopmental condition that can have profound health implications and associated costs. These challenges are significant not only for individuals with autism but also for their families and the broader healthcare system. This Special Issue aims to offer novel insights into how individual differences in social functioning—such as social communication, understanding, and motivation—act as determinants of clinical outcomes in autism. Original research articles and reviews are welcome. Research areas may include (but are not limited to) the following: characterizing clinically meaningful social functioning subtypes, exploring developmental trajectories, analyzing social functioning in relation to co-occurring conditions and well-being, predicting intervention response, evaluating familial and environmental influences, and validating assessment tools. We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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