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# Risk and Protector Factors, Socioeconomic Status and Neurodevelopment

### Message from the Guest Editors

Neurodevelopment is the result of a multifactorial process and can be defined as the dynamic interrelationship that occurs between genetic, cerebral, cognitive, emotional, and behavioral processes. A whole range of factors have been identified as protectors for an adequate neurodevelopment in children. When these factors do not appear or appear partially, they can become a source of toxic stress for the child, affecting health, learning process, quality of emotional and social relationships. The main risk factors for neurodevelopment relate to prenatal stage conditions; perinatal circumstances; nutritional, infectious, toxic factors; parenting practices, socioeconomic conditions. The effects of toxic stress on early childhood may persist in later stages and have effects on adult health. Early detection of these situations are key elements to protect and optimize their progress and avoid the chronification of problems in the different areas of health.

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