

Review examines functioning, disability, and health in autistic patients

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The results will provide clarity as investigators conduct basic and applied research and as clinicians diagnose and treat affected patients.

"This research is part of a larger in collaboration with the World Health Organization, and it will yield a new gold standard to assess functional abilities and disabilities in autism," said Dr. Sven Bölte, senior author of the *Autism Research* analysis.

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More information: Elles de Schipper et al. Ability and Disability in Autism Spectrum Disorder: A Systematic Literature Review Employing the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health-Children and Youth Version, *Autism Research* (2015). [DOI: 10.1002/aur.1485](#)

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