

Review of: "The Association Between Fibromyalgia, Hypermobility and Neurodivergence Extends to Families: Brief Report"

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This study makes an important novel contribution by showing that fibromyalgia, hypermobility, and neurodivergence not only tend to co-occur within individuals (i.e. comorbidity) but also aggregate within families. This is suggestive of a common genetic denominator to multiple conditions.

I would have expected to see the umbrella term 'neurodivergence' broken down into diagnostic categories (autism, ADHD, etc.). I suspect that was the level of granularity of detail that the participants supplied. I would also have liked to see these broken down in terms of male and female relatives. The fact that fibromyalgia/hypermobility is more common in women but autism/ADHD is more common in men is important for thinking about how these disorders could be derived from the same latent (e.g. genetic) causes.