Review of: "Food Intolerance and Sensitivity Are Associated With Chronic Musculoskeletal Pain in a Self-Selected Community Population"

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What do you mean by self-selected community population? whether the population is just ADHD/Autism, or just fibromyalgia, or just hypermobility, or mixed, needs to be clarified. So that it can be displayed in the title so that it is clear.

What problems do you think are important, so you decided to conduct research on this? Is it related to treatment failure? diagnostic failure? prognosis? Do you have any urgent interests or problems?

Why is there a difference between food sensitivity and food allergy? Isn't allergy a type of hypersensitivity reaction?

Why are you looking for the subject of fibromyalgia in ADHD/Autism patients? Isn't fibromyalgia not only experienced by patients with ADHD/Autism?

Why did you include hypermobility in this study? what is the relation with the title of this research, would the title be better to be "Fibromyalgia and hypermobility condition that is related to food intolerance or sensitivity in ADHD/Autism patient”

How do you give a self-assessment questionnaire to patients with ADHD/Autism for them to fill out? Likewise with giving informed consent to be filled in with ADHD/Autism patients? Even online? Likewise, giving a video explaining the purpose and procedure of the study? Can a subject with ADHD/Autism go through all of these procedures by self-assessment?

Has the food related symptoms questionnaire been validated? How to do it in patients with ADHD/Autism? There is ambiguity between the terms food allergy and food sensitivity (allergy is part of sensitivity).

Why not include in vivo evidence such as skin prick tests or in vitro IgE RAST for food allergy sensitivity?
Why don't you compare ADHD/Autism patients with fibromyalgia with ADHD/Autism patients without fibromyalgia in terms of food intolerance/sensitivity?

From the results, is it valid to ask about symptoms in ADHD/Autism patients?

Does the output you get represent the title of this research? Without including ADHD/Autism as well as Hypermobility in the title?