

# Review of: "Novel Method to Assess Group Dynamics in Rats Reveals Deficits in Behavioral Contagion in KM Rats"

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I would like to thank the editor for the kind invitation to review [Novel Method to Assess Group Dynamics in Rats Reveals Deficits in Behavioral Contagion in KM Rats](#)

Some questions need to be answered:

- 1- What is the rationale for enrolling intact adult male rats, aged between 6 and 8 months, and weighing 350-450g to study a model of ASD?
- 2- Why didn't the authors conduct this study on young rats?
- 3- Justify using only the IntelliCage system to assess group dynamics of behavioral contagion and not using any other form of assessment to compare the results.
- 4- Statistics need to be summarized, and provide the name of the test used in the statistical method and the post-hoc test.