

A Family-Genetic Study of Language in Autism

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Help us understand the causes of autism.

This research study explores how key developmental, behavioral, and neural features may relate to skills in autism and be heritable in families. Our goal is to inform the causes of autism, and to understand how the genes involved in autism may play a role in language and other important skills.

STUDY OBJECTIVE:

- ▶ To understand the brain and gene basis of language and related skills in autistic individuals and their family members

IMPORTANCE OF STUDY:

- ▶ Involves the use of exciting and innovative technologies for studying language and social traits
- ▶ Helps us further understand genes related to features of autism

WE ARE LOOKING FOR:

- ▶ Autistic adolescents and adults and their parents
- ▶ Adolescents and adults without autism and their parents

PARTICIPATION INCLUDES:

- ▶ Solving puzzles
- ▶ Completing measures of brain activity
- ▶ Talking about your friendships and the ways that you relate to other people
- ▶ Providing a blood sample

COMPENSATION AND TIME:

- ▶ Participation involves either 1 or 2 visits
- ▶ Participants will be compensated for their time

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