

Autism Information Database



The AID – connecting the international autism community to evidence-informed resources

Search the AID at:
www.actcommunity.ca/aid



Members of the AID International Advisory Panel

ACT has enlisted an international panel of autism specialists to provide oversight of resources included in the AID. ACT refers questionable submissions for inclusion to the AID to an appropriate member of the AID International Advisory Panel:

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- » **Mary Ellen Ross**, Phd, former professor of French Literature, University of Victoria; parent of two sons with autism.
- » **Isabel Smith**, PhD, Craig Chair in Autism Research, Dalhousie University, Professor in the Departments of Pediatrics and Psychology & Neuroscience.
- » **Jonathan Weiss** PhD, CPsych, Canadian Institute of Health Research Chair in ASD Treatment and Care Research; Associate Professor, York University.

Submitting AID resources

Individuals, community organizations, researchers and service providers are welcomed to share their resources with AID users around the world by using the AID submission tool:

www.actcommunity.ca/submitir

How Are Potential AID Resources Assessed?

Many factors are considered when assessing an information resource for inclusion in the AID:

- » Is it aimed primarily at community-level users - families, self-advocates and community professionals and service providers?
- » Is it evidence-informed or, at a minimum, not harmful?
- » Is it of practical use to building family awareness, knowledge and skills?
- » Is it a positive resource for adults with autism or those who support them?

Read the FAQ

Access our Frequently Asked Questions page at:
www.actcommunity.ca/information/aid-faqs

Support the AID

ACT – Autism Community Training, a Canadian registered charity, has been developing the Autism Information Database (AID) portal since 2012.

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ACT is actively seeking sponsorship to continue developing the AID. Donate to ACT online:

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ACT is a registered Canadian not-for-profit society, charitable tax number #861691236RR0001.

Questions? Contact info@actcommunity.ca.

What is the AID?

The Autism Information Database (AID) is a free portal linking to over 1300 records created by ACT to provide practical, evidence-informed resources on autism and related disabilities:

- » The AID is key word searchable.
- » Links are provided to full-text guides, articles, videos and websites, internationally.
- » Includes resources in over 36 languages.
- » Oversight is provided by an international panel of autism specialists and advocates.

Search by keyword

Search the AID by keyword, for example:

- » Diagnosis
- » Positive Behavior Support
- » Toilet Training
- » Dental Care
- » Medications
- » Social
- » Mental Health
- » Employment

AID Topics

Search the AID's Subject Listing, including:

- » Adults with ASD
- » Applied Behavior Analysis
- » Education
- » Employment
- » Evaluating Autism Information
- » Health
- » Recreation & Leisure
- » Sensory
- » Sexuality

Sample AID Record

Sex Differences in ASD Girls and Women on the Autism Spectrum

By Mandy, William

Summary


This online video, part of the INSAR Summer Institute 2016 series, describes autism in girls and women. The video outlines differences in autism as it manifests in girls and women, and it discusses the possibility that a gender bias exists in how autism is diagnosed,




The International Society for Autism Research (INSAR) is a global scientific and professional organization dedicated to advancing knowledge about autism. INSAR holds an annual conference, the International Meeting For Autism Research (IMFAR).


For full text or more information
Visit www.autism-insar.org/page/Mandy

Subject(s)

- Autism Spectrum Disorders
- Diagnosis & Assessment

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Why has the AID been developed?

ACT – Autism Community Training, a registered Canadian not-for-profit, has provided reliable information and training resources to the autism community since 2005. In the process we have noted that many excellent, practical resources are buried in websites across the world. ACT has developed the AID to promote access to quality autism resources in the interests of those with autism and related conditions internationally.

The AID Search Tool:

- » Offers an alternative to the over 60 million results generated by a Google search for 'Autism Treatment'.
- » Saves stressed families valuable time and money; protects families from inflated claims and dangerous treatments.
- » Builds parental confidence in assessing the effectiveness and safety of interventions.
- » Provides adults on the spectrum with links to resources on mental health, employment, as well as a host of other relevant topics.
- » Enables researchers to promote knowledge translation by linking information they develop for broader public use to the AID.
- » Supports organizations to share their community-focused resources internationally.
- » Each resource contains an alert button so users can inform ACT of any concern with a resource.

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