

Outcome: Autismus und Wohlbefinden

Autismus und Glück: über die Lebensspanne

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Einige einfache Fragen

Wollen Sie....

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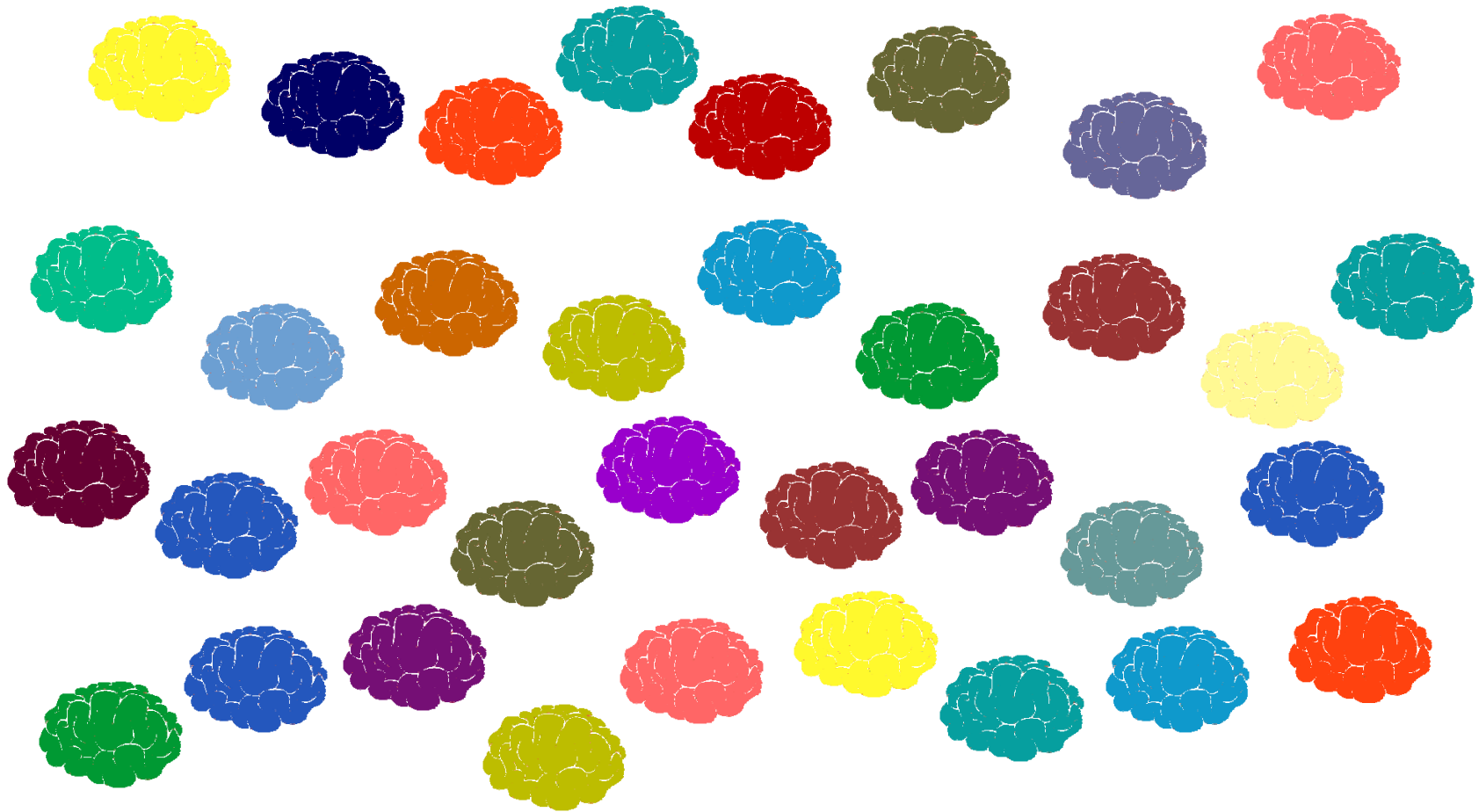
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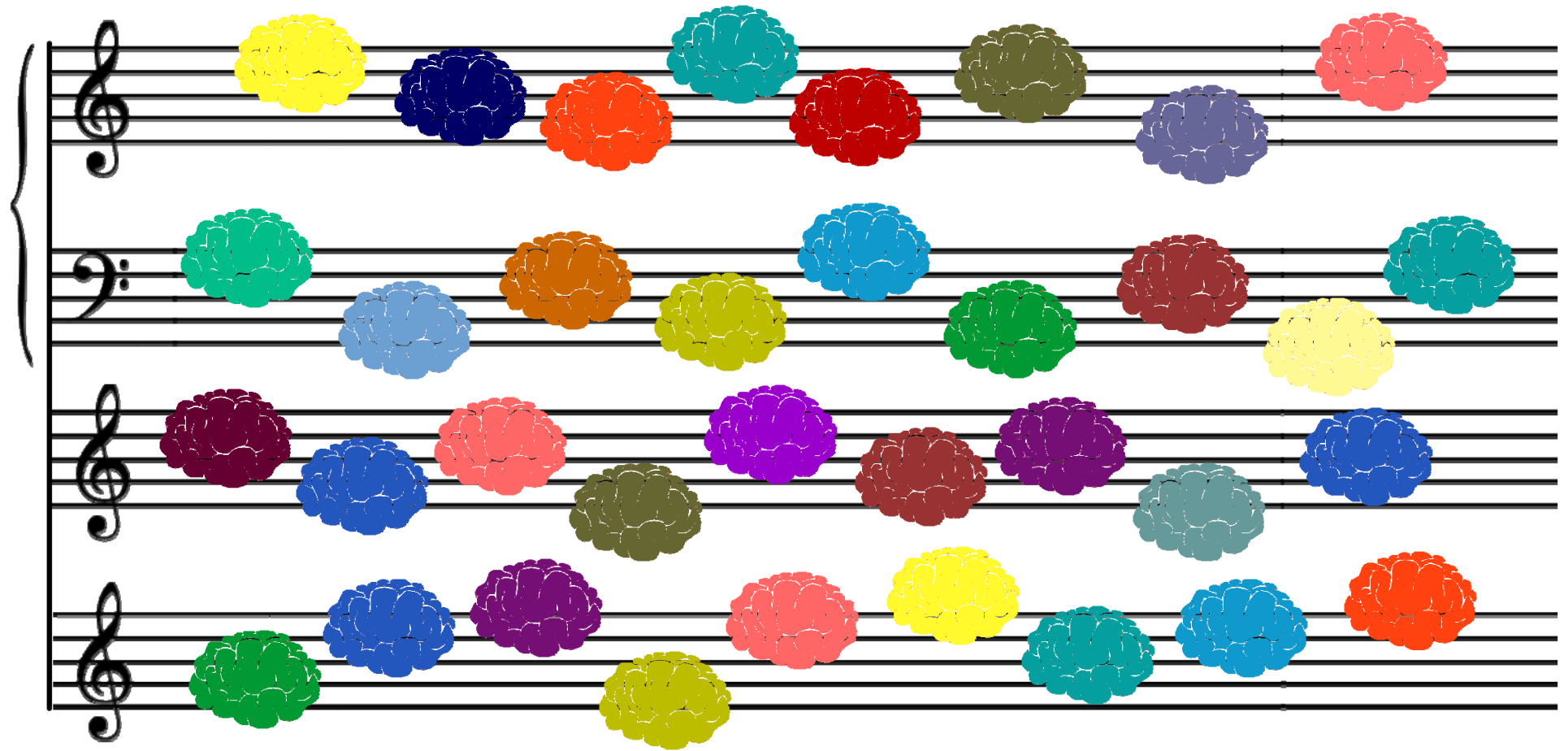
Glücklich
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Es wird Zeit, sich auf die Ähnlichkeiten anstatt auf
die Unterschiede zu konzentrieren

Neurodiversität



Neuroharmonie



Menschliche Bedürfnisse: Maslows Hierarchie

Abraham Maslow



HAPPINESS

Outcome studien

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Cognitive, language, social and behavioural outcomes in adults with autism spectrum disorders: A systematic review of longitudinal follow-up studies in adulthood

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Aber was sind die Kriterien?



Beschäftigung



Beziehungen/Freunde



Gesundheit



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Fähigkeiten



Lebensort



Autismus-
Symptome

Mängel von Studien

Objektive Kriterien sagen nicht viel über die
Lebensqualität aus...

Autism after Adolescence: Population-based 13- to 22-year Follow-up Study of 120 Individuals with Autism Diagnosed in Childhood

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Table I. Outcome in 120 Individuals with Autistic Disorder or Atypical Autism

Outcome variable	Autistic disorder N = 78	Atypical autism N = 42
Attrition	2 (3%)	4(10%)
Dead at follow-up	3 (4%)	3 (7%)
Very poor outcome	38/73 (52%)	24/35 (69%)
Poor outcome	17/73 (23%)	6/35 (17%)
Restricted but acceptable outcome	12/73 (16%)	2/35 (6%)
Fair outcome	6/73 (8%)	3/35 (9%)
Good outcome	0	0
Independence	3/73 (4%)	1/35 (3%)



Aspects of quality of life in adults diagnosed with autism in childhood

A population-based study

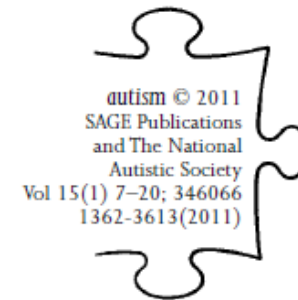


Table 2 Parent's/carer's estimation of the situation for their daughter/son/relative with **ASD** in aspects of quality of life/residential well being

Category	N = 100 ^a
Very high residential well being	61
High residential well being	30
Average residential well being	5
Poor residential well being	2
Very poor residential well being	2

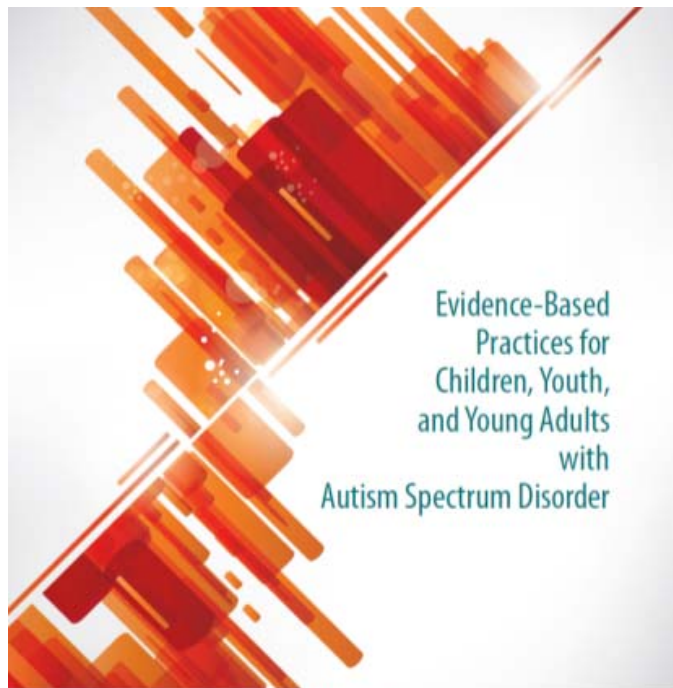
a. Missing information in 8 cases.



Messung die “outcomes” im Autismus



Zu wenig Aufmerksamkeit für das Wohlbefinden



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Behandlungsziele

Ergebnisse bezogen auf	Studien (N = 456)
Kommunikation Fähigkeit, Wünsche, Bedürfnisse, Gefühle oder Ideen auszudrücken und Auswahlen zu treffen	182 (39,9%)
Soziale Kompetenz Fähigkeiten, mit anderen zu interagieren	165 (36,2%)
Herausforderndes/störendes Verhalten Abbau oder Beseitigung von Verhaltensweisen, die andere stören	158 (34,6%)
Spielmaterialien Verwendung von Spielzeug oder Freizeitmaterialien	77 (16,9%)
Schulbereitschaftsfähigkeiten Leistung während einer Aufgabe, die nicht im unmittelbaren Zusammenhang mit dem eigentlichen Aufgabeninhalt stehen	67 (14,7%)
Vor-schulisch/schulische Leistungen Leistung bei Aufgaben, die typischerweise im schulischen Umfeld gelehrt und angewendet werden	58 (12,7%)
Adaptive Fähigkeiten/Selbsthilfe Fähigkeiten für ein unabhängiges Leben und persönliche Hygiene	57 (12,5%)
Geteilte Aufmerksamkeit Erforderliche Verhaltensweisen für gemeinsame Interessen und/oder Erfahrungen	39 (8,6%)
Motorik Bewegung oder Motorik, umfassend fein- und grobmotorische Fähigkeiten oder damit zusammenhängendes sensorisches System/sensorische Funktionen	18 (3,9%)
Kognitive Leistungen Leistungen bei Intelligenztests, Tests zu Exekutivfunktionen, Problemlösung, Gedächtnis, Argumentation, Theory of Mind, Kreativität, Aufmerksamkeit	15 (3,3%)
Ausbildungsbezogene Aspekte Beschäftigung oder Vorbereitung auf das Arbeitsleben oder auf technische Fähigkeiten, die für eine bestimmte Arbeit erforderlich sind	12 (2,6%)
Psychische Gesundheit Emotionales Wohlbefinden	1 (0,2%)

Parents Suggest Which Indicators of Progress and Outcomes Should be Measured in Young Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder

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Abstract Evaluation of interventions for children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is hampered by the multitude of outcomes measured and tools used. Measurement in research with young children tends to focus on core impairments in ASD. We conducted a systematic review of qualitative studies of what matters to parents. Parent advisory groups completed structured activities to explore their perceptions of the relative importance of a wide range of outcome constructs. Their highest ranked outcomes impacted directly on everyday life and functioning (anxiety, distress, hypersensitivity, sleep problems, happiness, relationships

with brothers and sisters, and parent stress). Collaboration between professionals, researchers and parents/carers is required to determine an agreed core set of outcomes to use across evaluation research.

Keywords Young children · Outcomes · Measurement · Parents · Consultation

Interventionen für Erwachsene

Review



Support for adults with autism spectrum disorder without intellectual impairment: Systematic review

Autism
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Die meisten Interventionen konzentrierten sich auf die Abschwächung spezifischer Defizite ... / ... Nur wenige Studien konzentrieren sich auf Ergebnisse, die die Auswirkungen von Interventionen auf das Leben von Menschen mit ASD, wie psychische Gesundheit, Wohlbefinden, Lebensqualität, belegen würden



Psychische Probleme bei Autismus



Angststörung

Autismus



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Depression



Lebenszeitprävalenz

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Psychiatric and psychosocial problems in adults with normal-intelligence autism spectrum disorders

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Wir konzentrieren uns hauptsächlich auf negative Gefühle

The Development of a Stress Survey Schedule for Persons with Autism and Other Developmental Disabilities

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The Stress Survey Schedule is an instrument for measuring stress in the lives of persons with autism and other developmental disabilities. Development of the survey and analysis of the underlying measurement structure of the instrument is reported in three studies. Through the use of exploratory and confirmatory analysis procedures, eight dimensions of stress were identified: Anticipation/Uncertainty, Changes and Threats, Unpleasant Events, Pleasant Events, Sensory/Personal Contact, Food Related Activity, Social/Environmental Interactions, and Ritual Related Stress. These stress dimensions are highly relevant to the problems of autism and have not been addressed by other stress surveys. The information obtained from the Stress Survey can be used to plan for strategies to reduce the stress before it occurs or results in maladaptive behavior.

KEY WORDS: Autism; stress survey.

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Anxiety in people diagnosed with autism and intellectual disability: Recognition and phenomenology

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ABSTRACT

Anxiety seems to occur frequently in individuals with autism, but varying prevalence estimates indicate uncertainties in identifying anxiety, especially in those with intellectual disability (ID). The present study explores the recognition of anxiety symptoms and aims to provide suggestions for the assessment of anxiety in individuals with autism and ID.

Two separate samples, a community sample of 62 individuals and a clinical sample of 9 individuals, were assessed with anxiety items from a screening checklist. Each item's scores were analyzed. In addition, in the clinical sample, checklist results were compared with clinical assessments.

The results indicate that anxiety can be recognized by symptoms similar to those in non-autistic individuals, but signs of physiological arousal seem difficult to recognize in this population. The results imply inclusion of general adjustment problems in order to identify individuals with anxiety problems by using a checklist. For diagnostic purposes, the use of an individual anxiety assessment seems indicated.

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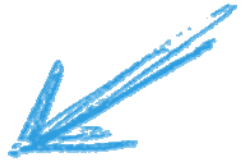
A proposal to classify happiness as a psychiatric disorder

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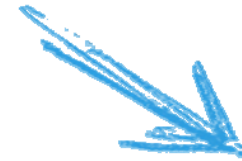


Glück



Angenehmes Leben

Positive Gefühle
Freude - Vergnügen
Schmerzfreiheit
Sicherheit
Lieblingsaktivitäten



Sinnerfülltes Leben

Zufriedenheit
Lebenssinn
Persönliche Entwicklung
Anderen Gutes tun
Lebenszufriedenheit

**Warum den Fokus auf
Wohlbefinden legen?**

***Weil das subjektive
Wohlbefinden bei
autistischen
Menschen geringer
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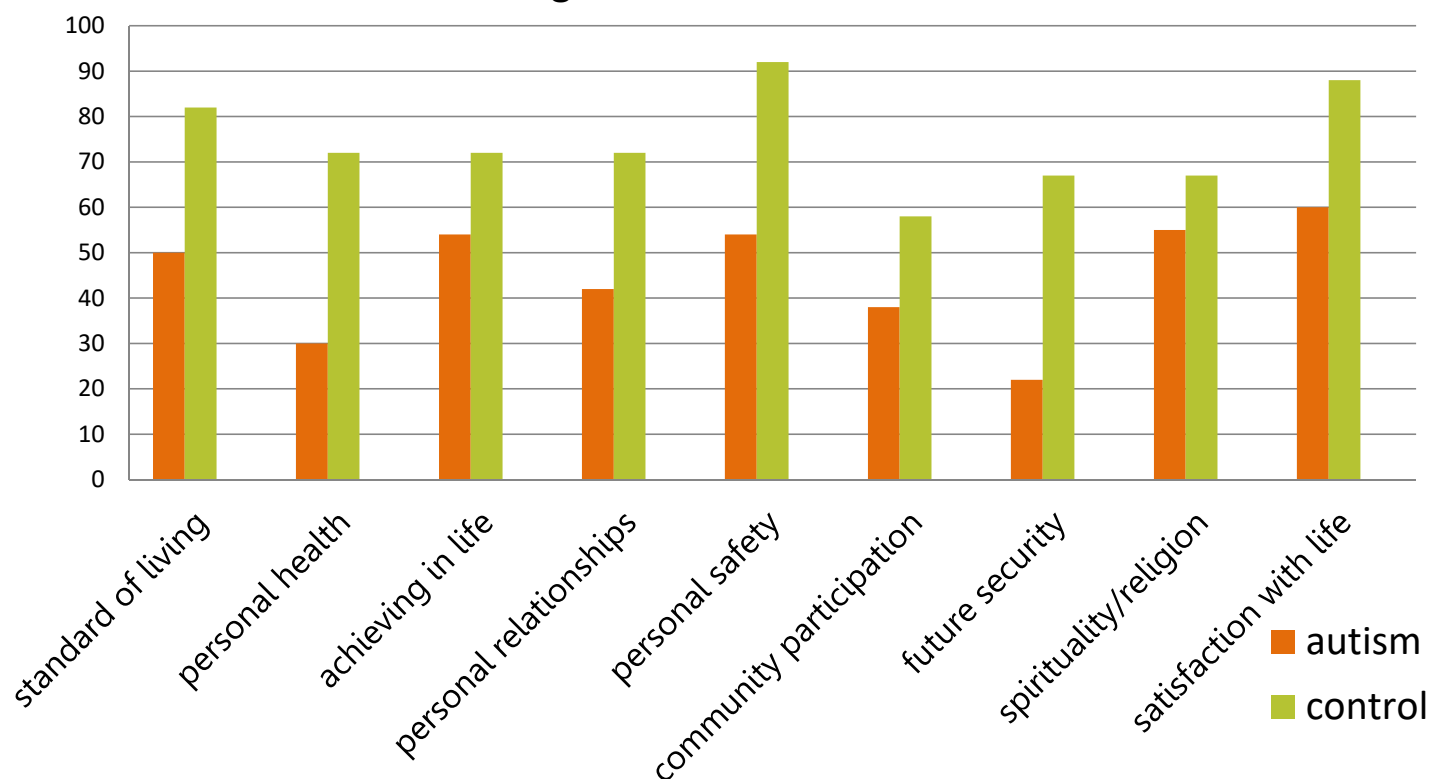
Personal Wellbeing Index (PWI)

(Cummins et al; Deakin 2006)



PWI results: comparison of UK autism group v controls

degree of satisfaction with



Source: Richard Mills, 2016



Glückliche Menschen sind erfolgreicher im Leben

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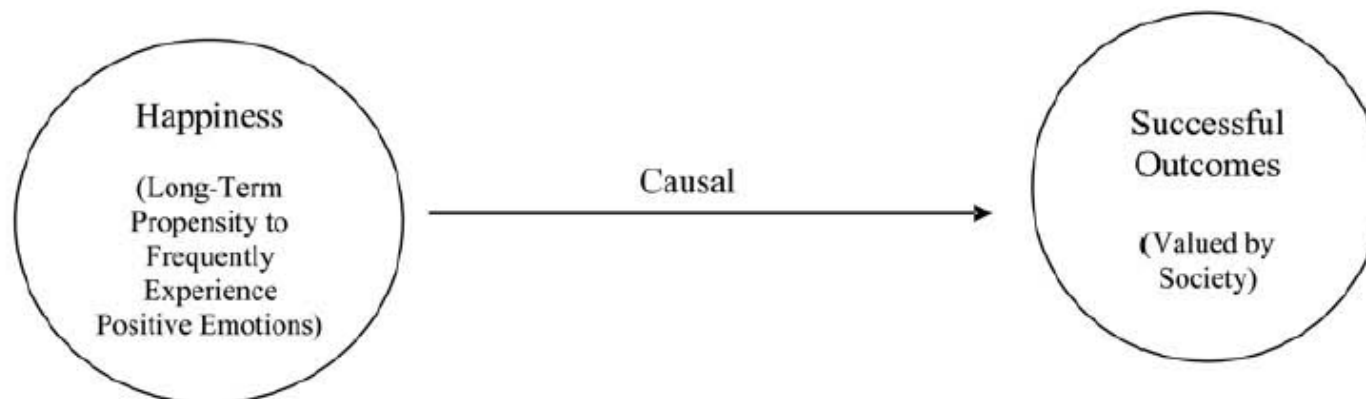
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The Benefits of Frequent Positive Affect: Does Happiness Lead to Success?

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Warum den Fokus auf Wohlbefinden und Glück legen ?

Weil glückliche autistische Menschen bessere Ergebnisse (Outcomes) erzielen im:



Beschäftigung



Beziehungen/Freunde



Gesundheit



kognitive
Fähigkeiten



Lebensort



Autismus-
Symptome

Nicht weniger autistisch,
aber
“autistisch glücklich”

Früherkennung ist sehr wichtig, aber...

Manchmal
wird die
Diagnose
zu groß

Oft einseitiger,
problemorientierter
Zugang

Wie oft lesen Sie diese Wörter in diagnostischen Befunden?

- glücklich
- Wohlbefinden
- Zufriedenheit
- Stolz
- Freude
- Vergnügen
- angenehm
- Spaß
- genießen
- fröhlich
- nett
- gutes Gefühl

Emotionales Wohlbefinden: sehr persönlich!

- Vermeiden Sie, Menschen mit ASD in die **neurotypische** Vorstellungen von Glück zu pressen
- Vermeiden Sie, Menschen mit ASD in **Klischee Vorstellungen** von Autismus zu pressen
- **ALSO, FRAGEN SIE DIE BETROFFENEN!**

There are tools

The Satisfaction with Life Scale

By Ed Diener, Ph.D.

DIRECTIONS: Below are five statements with which you may agree or disagree. Using the 1-7 scale below, indicate your agreement with each item by placing the appropriate number in the line preceding that item. Please be open and honest in your responding.

- 1 = Strongly Disagree
2 = Disagree
3 = Slightly Disagree
4 = Neither Agree or Disagree
5 = Slightly Agree
6 = Agree
7 = Strongly Agree

- _____ 1. In most ways my life is close to my ideal.
- _____ 2. The conditions of my life are excellent.
- _____ 3. I am satisfied with life.
- _____ 4. So far I have gotten the important things I want in life.
- _____ 5. If I could live my life over, I would change almost nothing.

WHO (Five) Well-Being Index (1998 version)

Please indicate for each of the five statements which is closest to how you have been feeling over the last two weeks. Notice that higher numbers mean better well-being.

Example: If you have felt cheerful and in good spirits more than half of the time during the last two weeks, put a tick in the box with the number 3 in the upper right corner.

	<i>Over the last two weeks</i>	All of the time	Most of the time	More than half of the time	Less than half of the time	Some of the time	At no time
1	I have felt cheerful and in good spirits	☐ 5	☐ 4	☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1	☐ 0
2	I have felt calm and relaxed	☐ 5	☐ 4	☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1	☐ 0
3	I have felt active and vigorous	☐ 5	☐ 4	☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1	☐ 0
4	I woke up feeling fresh and rested	☐ 5	☐ 4	☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1	☐ 0
5	My daily life has been filled with things that interest me	☐ 5	☐ 4	☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1	☐ 0

Einschätzung von Wohlbefinden



- Seien Sie vorsichtig mit Selbstberichten/Selbsteinschätzungen
 - Schwierigkeiten mit dem Selbstverständnis
 - Schwierigkeiten mit abstrakten Konzepten
 - **Kontextblindheit**

Einschätzung von Wohlbefinden

- Nicht eindeutige Fragen...
- Abstrakte und vage Begrifflichkeiten...

Einschätzung den positive Gefühlen

TRIAL VERSION - FOR PERSONAL USE ONLY

AUTISM STRESS INVENTORY

PART I: STRESSORS

Judge to what extent the following situations cause stress for the person with autism.

- 1: no stress
- 2: lightly stressful
- 3: moderately stressful
- 4: highly stressful
- 5: severely stressful

Sensory stimuli

	1	2	3	4	5
Certain kinds of light, namely...					
Certain kinds of noises, namely...					
Certain kinds of smell, namely...					
Certain kinds of tactile stimuli, namely...					
Being touched					
Being hugged					
Being kissed					
Certain kinds of food					
Other:					

Autism Good Feeling Questionnaire

The questionnaire contains items referring to all sorts of things that can give a person a good feeling. Obviously, each person is different. What gives a good feeling to one person, can be very unpleasant for another person.

Below, you can indicate the extent to which things or events give you a good feeling. For each category of items, there is place to add things that are not mentioned in the list.

Each 'item' can be scored as follows:

3: This gives me a good feeling - I enjoy this very much

2: This gives me a good feeling - I enjoy this

1: This gives me a little bit of good feeling - I enjoy this a little

0: This does not give me a good feeling - I don't enjoy this in particular (neutral, I feel nothing) or I even find this unpleasant

?: I do not know if this gives me a good feeling

Obviously this list is not exhaustive. Therefore, there is room left to add things that make you feel good or that you enjoy.

Sensory aspects

	3	2	1	0	?
Certain light, namely: ..					
Certain sounds, namely: ..					
A certain kind of voice, namely: ..					
Silence					
Certain smells, namely: ..					
Certain tactile stimuli, namely: ..					
Being touched					
Being cuddled					
Being kissed					
Heat					
Cold					
Certain foods, namely: ..					
Certain beverages, namely:					
Certain items that I like to touch, namely: ..					
Certain weather conditions (please specify:.....)					
A fleece blanket around me					

Die Praxis der Förderung von Glück bei Autismus

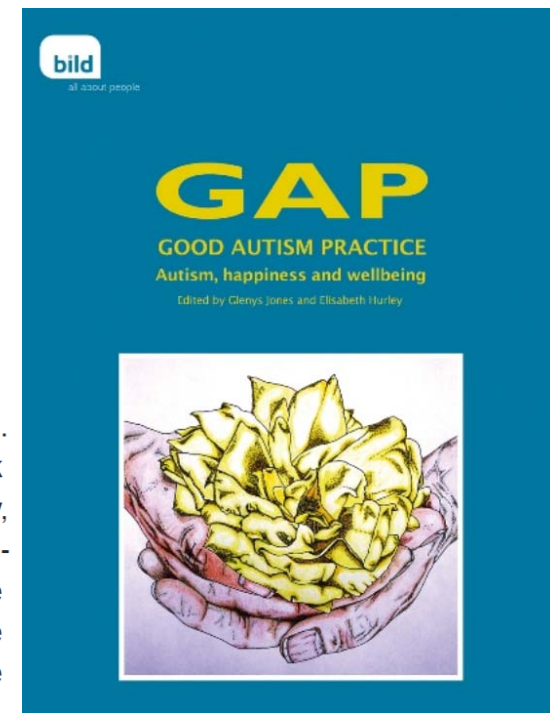
The practice of promoting happiness in autism

The practice of promoting happiness in autism

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Editorial comment

Emotional wellbeing and happiness have received little attention in the field of autism. When the focus is on wellbeing, it is often from a negative perspective, namely the lack of wellbeing and quality of life in autism. Based on the principles of positive psychology, Peter Vermeulen argues for a change in focus and suggests that instead of concentrating on the lack of emotional wellbeing in people with autism, strategies to facilitate their feeling of happiness should be developed. In this article, the main focus is on the first and most important step in promoting happiness in people with autism, namely the

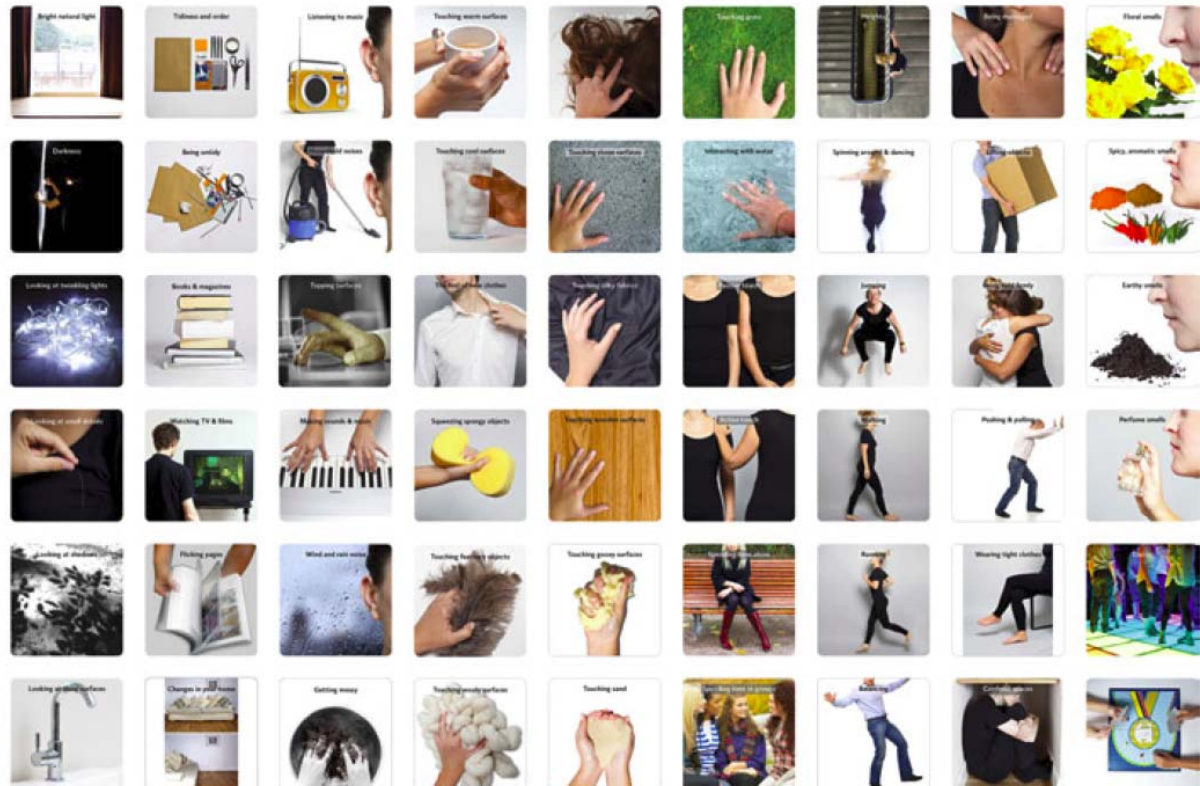


Assessment von sensorischen Vorlieben

This gives me a good feeling

SMELL	
TASTE	
SEE	
TEMPERATURE	
TOUCH	
HEAR	
BODY MOVEMENTS	

Good Feeling Sensory Circuit
(Vermeulen, 2014)



Kingwood Sensory Preference Cards
(Brand & Gaudion, 2012; Gaudion, 2015)

Lebensqualität: keine Verbindung mit dem IQ und dem Schweregrad



Original Article

Quality of life in autism across the lifespan: A meta-analysis

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Abstract

Autism is a lifelong neurodevelopmental disorder, with a known impact on quality of life. Yet the developmental trajectory of quality of life is not well understood. First, the effect of age on quality of life was studied with a meta-analysis. Our meta-analysis included 10 studies (published between 2004 and 2012) with a combined sample size of 486 people with autism and 17,776 controls. Second, as there were no studies on quality of life of the elderly with autism, we conducted an empirical study on quality of life of the elderly (age range 53–83) with autism ($N = 24$) and without autism ($N = 24$). The meta-analysis showed that quality of life is lower for people with autism compared to people without autism, and that the mean effect is large (Cohen's $d = -0.96$). Age did not have an effect on quality of life. The study concerning the elderly with autism showed that the difference in quality of life is similar in the elderly. **Age, IQ and symptom severity did not predict quality of life in this sample.** Across the lifespan, people with autism experience a much lower quality of life compared to people without autism. Hence, the quality of life seemed to be independent of someone's age.



Lebensqualität: keine Verbindung mit adaptivem Funktionsniveau

Focus on Autism and Other
Developmental Disabilities

Youth With Autism Spectrum Disorders Self- and Proxy-Reported Quality of Life and Adaptive Functioning

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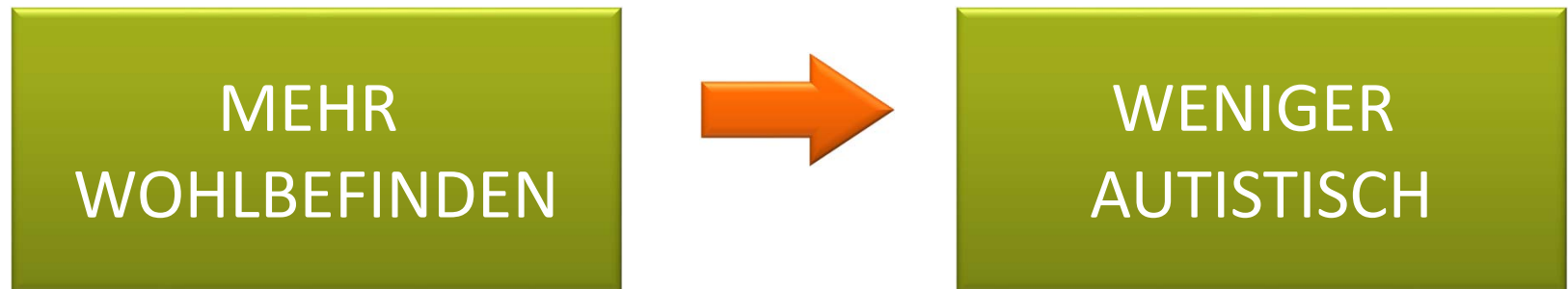
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Geringe Korrelation zwischen Lebensqualität & Allgemeinem Adaptivem Gesamtwert.

Clark, Magill-Evans & Koning (2015)



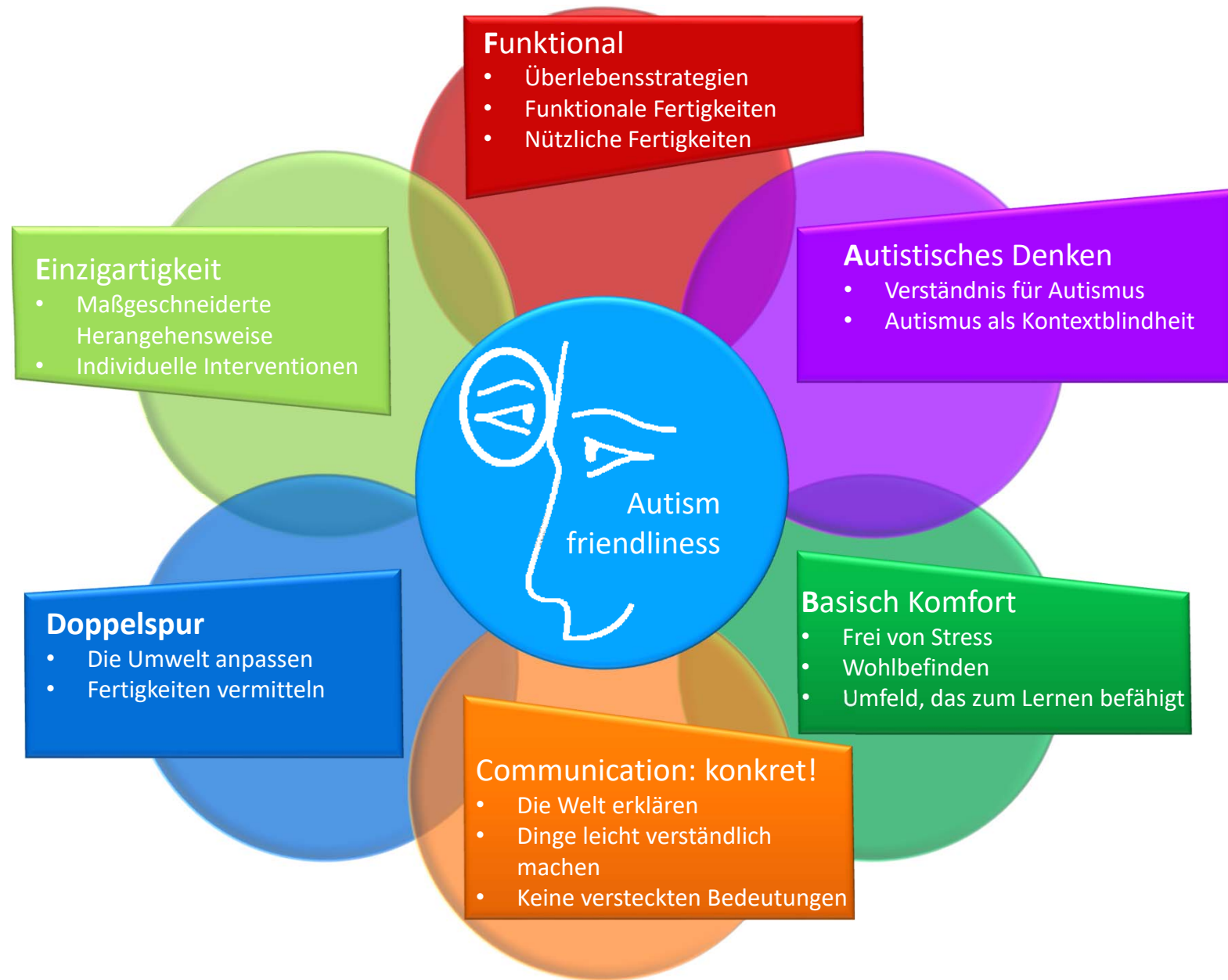
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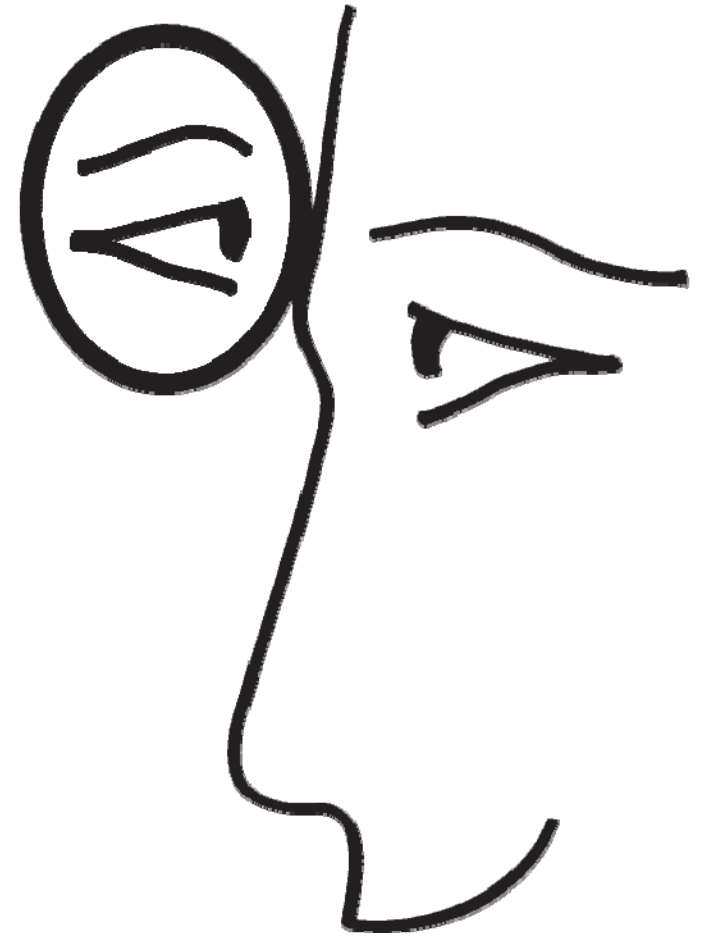


Autismusfreundliches Umfeld

Wohlbefinden



Autismusfreundlichkeit



Autismusfreundliches Umfeld

Nicht Herausforderungen und Hürden vermeiden,
sondern Menschen mit Autismus helfen die
Herausforderungen des Lebens anzunehmen und
Hürden zu überwinden



**“Glück ist nicht die
Abwesenheit von
Problemen, sondern
die Fähigkeit, mit
ihnen umzugehen”**

Im Gleichgewicht



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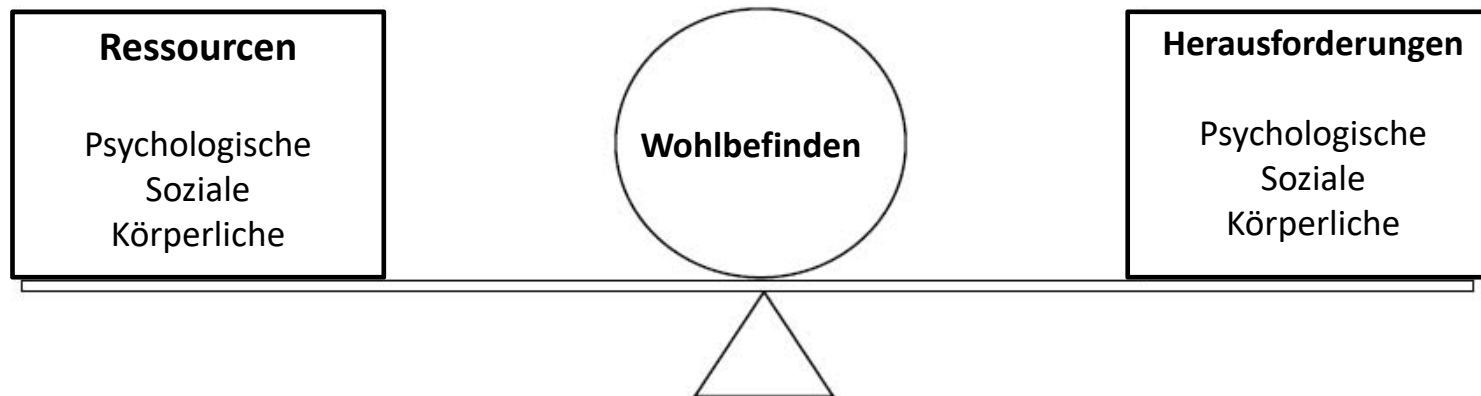
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The challenge of defining wellbeing

Rachel Dodge · Annette P. Daly · Jan Huyton · Lalage D. Sanders

Abb. 4: Definition von Wohlbefinden



Doppelspur: Zweispuriger Ansatz

Gesellschaft



Umfeld verändern

Adaptieren

Autistische Person



Person verändern

Lehren

Autismus ist keine Ausrede

“Ich brauche hohe Erwartungen und ein hohes Unterstützungsniveau”
Ros Blackburn

“Mutter wusste einfach, wie sehr sie mich puschen kann” Temple Grandin

**Vermeiden Sie Herausforderungen nicht,
sondern geben Sie Kontrolle,**

Vermeiden Sie
Herausforderungen
nicht, sondern machen
Sie sie
“autismusfreundlich”

Uncertainty drives anxiety, sensory issues in autism

BY ANN GRISWOLD / 8 APRIL 2016



Sensory overload:
Children with autism may
perceive uncertainty as a
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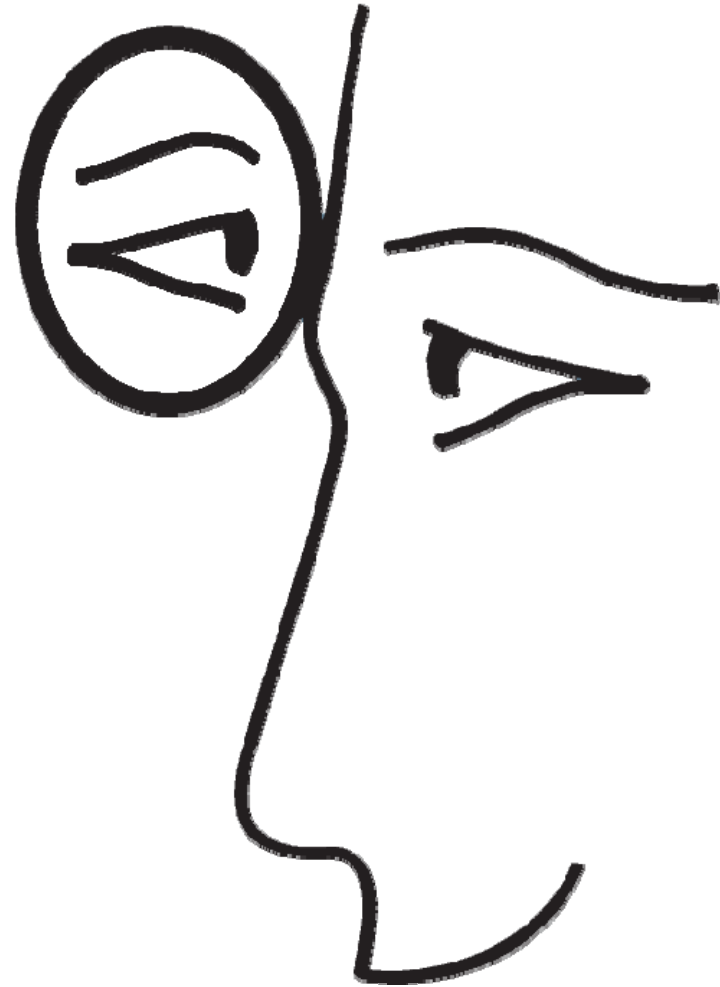
The Relationship Between Intolerance of Uncertainty, Sensory Sensitivities, and Anxiety in Autistic and Typically Developing Children

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Wollen Sie autistische Menschen glücklich machen?

Bieten Sie zuerst
Klarheit und
Vorhersehbarkeit.

Der Rest kommt
später.



An guten Gefühlen arbeiten

- Entspannung
- Kognitive Verhaltenstherapie (CBT) (und andere Therapien)
- Mindfulness

Autismus und physische Gesundheit und Fitness

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Physical Activity and Physical Fitness of School-Aged Children and Youth with Autism Spectrum Disorders

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Beginne zu laufen! (Oder Rad zu fahren
oder zu schwimmen... oder...)

Physische Aktivitäten verringern das Cortisol Level und die Angst bei
autistischen Menschen (Hillier e.a., 2010, Hillier e.a., 2011, Carraro & Gobi, 2012)

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The relationship between Health-Related Quality of Life and sleep problems in children with Autism Spectrum Disorders



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Sleep Issues in Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder

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Difficulties related to sleep are common for many children. However, children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) experience more sleep issues than their neurotypically developing (NTD) counterparts. Liu, Hubbard, Faves, and Adam (2006) found the prevalence of at least one sleep issue in children with ASD was on average 87%. Another study showed that 57.6% of

Sleep issues are more prevalent in children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) than in typically developing children. Parents often seek help from providers to improve their child's ability to fall asleep, stay asleep longer, and decrease awakenings through the night. The pathophysiology of ASD, as well as sleep issues in children with ASD, are not well understood, which poses certain difficulties in choosing the most effective and appropriate treatment options. This article discusses probable causes of sleep problems in children with ASD, existing treatments, and implications for clinical practice and future research.

Lebensqualität von Autisten im Erwachsenenalter



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Quality of life: A case-controlled long-term follow-up study, comparing young high-functioning adults with autism spectrum disorders with adults with other psychiatric disorders diagnosed in childhood

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Objektive und subjektive Lebensqualität von 169
Erwachsenen mit ASS (IQ > 70), Alter 19-30.



Zufriedenheit über:



Wohnverhältnisse: ASD < contr



Arbeit/ Ausbildung: ASD < contr



Physischer Zustand: ASD > contr



Soziale Beziehungen: ASD < contr



Zukunftsperspektiven: ASD < contr

Quelle: Barneveld et al. (2014)

Kontrollgruppe = Erwachsene mit anderen psychiatrischen Erkrankungen im Kindesalter, Zb: ADHS



Sinnvolles und zielbewusstes Leben

Was kann die Gesellschaft
autistischen Menschen
bieten?

Was können autistische
Menschen der
Gesellschaft bieten?

Beschäftigung kann therapeutisch wirken

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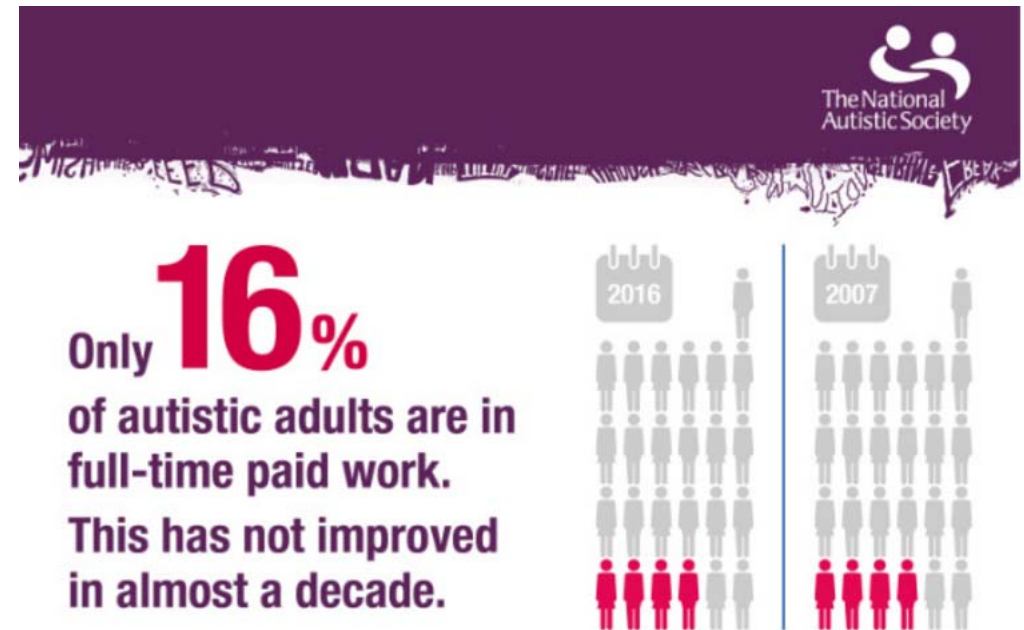
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Engagement in Vocational Activities Promotes Behavioral Development for Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders

**Julie Lounds Taylor • Leann E. Smith •
Marsha R. Mailick**

Beschäftigung kann zur Verbesserung der autistischen Symptome führen und stärkt das Wohlbefinden und die Lebensqualität

We're not there yet!



Nur 16% der autistischen Erwachsenen arbeiten in bezahlten Vollzeitjobs. Dies hat sich in fast einem Jahrzehnt nicht verbessert.

Ein gut gefüllter Tag

...bewahrt vor

- Langeweile
- dem Festfahren in stereotypen Aktivitäten/ Zwängen
- Sorgen und Ängsten
- herausforderndem Verhalten

...schafft Möglichkeiten um neue Fertigkeiten zu erlernen

...ermöglicht ein höheres Funktionsniveau zu erreichen

Sinnvolles und zielbewusstes Leben

Jeder Mensch mit Autismus kann dazu etwas beitragen!

Ein langes aber
auch ein
glückliches
Leben?

Ein gesundes
Leben?

Feldstudie (Vermeulen, 2012)

Geschlecht



3



5

Wohnsituation



6

1

1

Alter

40-52 year

Avg.: 44 year

Befragte Personen



5



2



1

Glück...

“Ich bin glücklich” - “sie sind glücklich”

Stolz auf konkrete Dinge

Weniger Leistungsdruck,
mehr “Spaß am Leben”

Die größte Sorge

*Was ist, wenn meine Eltern
nicht mehr da sind?*

Glücklich altwerden mit Autismus

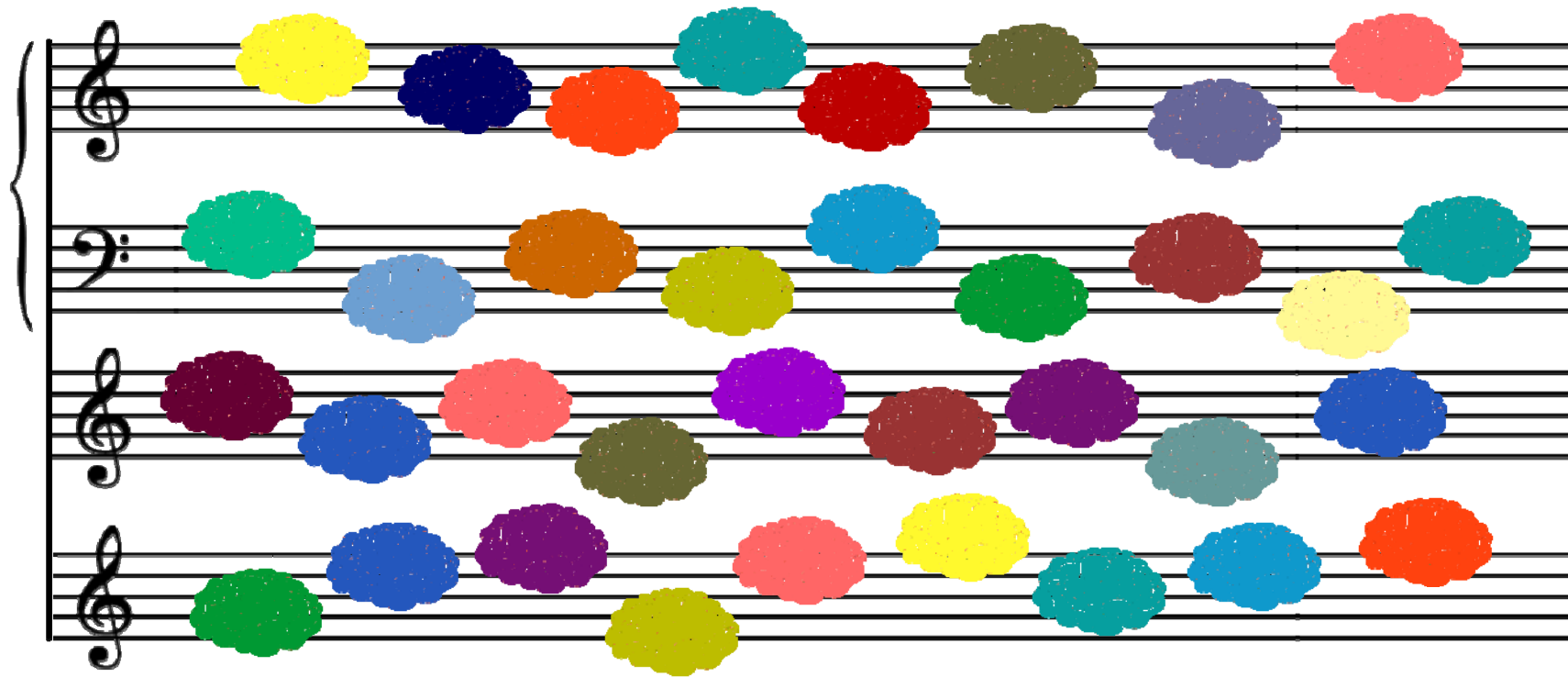
Gesund bleiben

Beschäftigt bleiben

In Verbindung bleiben

Aktiv bleiben

Neuroharmonie



A “Cheers” for every person, autistic or not

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR ATTENTION!



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