

Errata

The pathogenesis of autism in relation to maternal antibodies: from molecule to connectome

Patogenéza autismu vo vzťahu k materským protilátkam: od molekuly až po konektom

Lívia Rusková

Titulná strana

UNIVERZITA KARLOVA

Obsah a číslovanie capitol

Contents

Introduction.....	1
1. Autism spectrum disorder.....	2
1.2. Brain connectivity in autism	2
2. Maternal immune system	3
3.1 Role of maternal immune system in pregnancy.....	3
3.2 Maternal immune system dysregulation and autism	4
3.3. Autoimmunity.....	5
3. Antibodies.....	6
3.1. Earlier findings.....	6
3.2. Animal model studies.....	8
4. Identified Proteins.....	10
4.1. Cypin.....	11
4.2. CRMP1/2.....	12
4.3. STIP1	13
4.4. LDH	15
5. Networks (connectome).....	15
5.1. Hippocampus and amygdala	17
5.2. Dendrite and spine modifications	18
6. Conclusion	20
Bibliography.....	21

Doplňenie zoznamu skratiek

BBB – blood-brain barrier

HC – hippocampus

HSP 70/90 – heat shock protein 70/90

ICD-10 - International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems

IgG – immunoglobulins of the G subclass

MAP2 - microtubule-associated protein 2

MAU - maternal autoantibodies specific of autism

PSD-95 – postsynaptic density 95 protein

RG – radial glial cells

Oprava citácii

Str. 1

While some studies have found over-connected neural systems (*Belmonte & Yurgelun-Todd, 2003*) other studies demonstrated deficit in connections between multiple areas in the brain (*Just et al., 2004*).

Str. 2

The difference between them is the onset time of symptoms and the amount of them presented (*World Health Institution, 2016, accessed 11.7.2019*).

Str. 3

. The results have been inconsistent, but largely agree that patients with autism have a high local connectivity and low long-range one. It is believed that the decreased long-range connectivity limits effective information integration between multiple brain areas of both hemispheres which is essential for higher cognitive functions. What are the exact mechanisms responsible for abnormal axonal connectivity remains an enigma. We can speculate that abnormal connectivity may be a consequence of a pathological process that interfere with axonal growth, sprouting and pruning during brain development. The presence of maternal anti-bodies against the fetal brain during pregnancy can represents one of the pathological processes. (reviewed in Belmonte, 2004)

Str. 5

Specific autoimmune diseases that have shown a correlation with autism include: eczema/psoriasis, rheumatoid arthritis, hypothyroidism, type 1 diabetes and systemic lupus erythematosus (*Atladóttir et al., 2009; Chen et al., 2016; Vinet et al., 2015; Wu et al., 2015*).

Str. 6

One of the first studies to connect maternal antibodies with autism was done by Warren et al. in 1990. In a sample of 11 children with ASD, their siblings and 20 controls they have

found significantly higher reactivity of peripheral maternal blood against lymphocytes of the autistic children (Warren et al.,1990).

Str. 9

The IgG-ASD primates have exhibited differences in social behaviour and males have had an enlarged brain volume with biggest difference being in the white matter in the frontal lobes (*Bauman et al., 2013*).

Str. 11

Thanks to spectrometry peptide sequencing, the proteins corresponding to the identified bands 37-,39-, and 73-kDa were identified as: cypin, stress-induced phosphoprotein 1 (STIP1), collapsin response mediator proteins 1 & 2 (CRMP1 & 2), lactate dehydrogenase A & B (LHD), and Y-box-binding protein (YBX-1). Reactivity to a combination of specific antigens was shown in 23% mothers of children with ASD as opposed to 1% in control group. (*Braunschweig et al., 2013*).

Mice injected with a series of peptide epitope sequences of LDH, STIP1 and CRMP1 have demonstrated stereotypical self-grooming behaviour, avoiding social interactions with failure at reciprocating juvenile play with peers (*Bauman et al., 2018*).

This has been shown by knock-out model in which cypin mRNA was prevented from maturation using mutated U1 small nuclear RNA (snRNA). The neurons that had this mutant snRNA indicated small or non-existent levels of cypin and fewer dendrites than normal. (Akum et al., 2004)

Str. 12

If cypin expression is inhibited, there is a decrease in dendrite number of hippocampal neurons (*Chen & Firestein, 2007*).

Str. 14

Figure 5 – (taken from Ariza et al.,2017)

Str. 15

Mitochondrial dysfunction has been linked to ASD by several studies (Frye & Rossignol, 2011; Goh et al., 2014; Weissman et al., 2008).

Connectivity is a major organizing principle of the nervous system and conceptualizing the brain as a network (the 'connectome') represents fundamental and innovative framework for understanding clinical brain disorders (Bullmore & Sporns., 2009).

Str. 16

Hub damage will have a disproportionate impact on the network's global efficiency of information processing; and thus be more likely to result to clinical symptoms such as

impairment of cognitive functions, that depend on integrative network processes (Honey & Sporns., 2008).

Connectivity in ASD has been discussed for a long time. Some people have argued that there is a surfeit of connectivity (Rubenstein & Merzenich., 2003), while other studies have shown examples of underconnectivity (Jakab et al., 2013). It seems as though both sides of the argument are right, high-local connectivity with a lot of cross-talk has emerged from abnormal neuronal and synaptic development and thereby causing hyper-arousal and potentially causing a weak central coherence – decreased long-range connectivity (Belmonte & Yurgelun-Todd, 2003).

Str. 17

This alternation has caused loss of social memory, indicating that these neurons have a role in sociocognitive memory processing which has also one of the areas ASD patients differ to controls. (Hitti & Siegelbaum, 2014)

Str. 18

They form during development with at first slow dendrite growth, rapid period of dendritic extension and then a period of stabilization of dendritic arbour (Williams & Truman, 2004).

Various dendrite number abnormalities have been reported in patients with ASD (Hutsler & Zhang, 2010; Mukaetova-Ladinska et al., 2004), which correlates with the fact that cypin and CRMP have functions that modify it and therefore they can be associated with this pathological observation.

Str. 19

(Frye & Rossignol,2011)

(Lopes et al.,2005)

List of figures

Table 1 - summary of identified protein bands against which the antibodies were reactive and associations to specific behaviour or deficit. 7

Figure 1 – Scheme showing the impact of maternal antibodies on precursol cell function. (A) – Mouse, Pax6+ (mice with maternal antibodies) RG (radial glial) cells begin moving from the VZ (ventricular lumen) later in neurogenesis (B) – In rhesus monkey they translocate very soon after the start of neurogenesis (C) – the neocortex of prenatal mouse that has been exposed to maternal antibodies, where the RG cells move into the SVZ (subventricular zone) much sooner than they should (Taken from Martínez-Cerdeño et al., 2016) 9

Figure 2 - Specific proteins identified by maternal antibodies and their functions. (Taken from: Edmiston et al. 2017) 10

Figure 3 - Expression of cypin in developing hippocampal neurons. Cypin is expressed as early as 4 days (d.i.v. – days in vitro) and continues to be until the neurons mature. It is also expressed in dendrites (MAP2 - positive) and axons (MAP2 negative - white arrows in Merge). (Taken from: Akum et al. 2004) 11

Figure 4 – This image shows the morphology of CA1 pyramidal neurons. It is evident that proper phosphorylation of CRMP2 is vital for proper bifurcation of these neurons and that together with CRMP4 they regulate dendritic development. (Taken from Niisato et al. 2013) 13

Figure 5 - Reconstruction of representative pyramidal neurons in infragranular layers of the cortex of mice treated with normal IgG antibodies (MTDab) and with maternal autoimmune antibodies (MAUab). A-F: Frontal cortex, G-L: Occipital cortex. Apical dendrites are in yellow, axonal initial segments in green and basal dendrites in other colors. Asterisks show basal dendrites with significantly less mature spines. (Taken from: Akum et al., 2017) 14

Figure 6 - Network on the left is of a healthy brain, a combination of strong-local connectivity along with selective long-range one. Inputs (two arrows) are easily differentiated from noise (single arrow) and can be easily linked across regions. The network on the right is of an ASD patient, local-connections are too strong and not efficiently developed and therefore a long-distance connection couldn't be established. (Taken from: Belmonte 2004) 16

Figure 7 – On the left is ramification pattern of pyramidal neurons in PFC (pre-frontal cortex), on the right in the hippocampus (HC). C58/J is a mutant strain of mice with autistic-like behaviour. What can be observed is that the dendrites in this strain are shorter in the PFC and less branched in the hippocampus. (Taken from Barón-Mendoza et al., 2019) 18

Figure 8 – These graphs show the total length of dendritic arbor in both PFC (pre-frontal cortex) and HC (hippocampus). The lengths in the autistic-like mutant mice are significantly lower than in WT (wild-type). (Taken from Barón-Mendoza et al., 2019) 19

Table 2- summary of functions of proteins that have been associated with MAU (maternal antibodies specific of autism) and possible pathologies in the ASD connectome. PSD – 95 (postsynaptic density 95 protein), RG (radial glial), VZ (ventricular lumen/zone), SVZ (subventricular zone) 19

Bibliography

- Abdallah, M. W., Larsen, N., Grove, J., Nørgaard-Pedersen, B., Thorsen, P., Mortensen, E. L., & Hougaard, D. M. (2012). Amniotic fluid chemokines and autism spectrum disorders: An exploratory study utilizing a Danish Historic Birth Cohort. *Brain, Behavior, and Immunity*, *26*(1), 170–176. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbi.2011.09.003>
- Adinolfi, M., Beck, Susan E., Haddard, S. A., & Seller, M. J. (1976). Permeability of the blood-cerebrospinal fluid barrier to plasma proteins during foetal and perinatal life. *Nature*, *259*(5539), 140–141. <https://doi.org/10.1038/259140a0>
- Akum, B. F., Chen, M., Gunderson, S. I., Riefler, G. M., Scerri-Hansen, M. M., & Firestein, B. L. (2004). Cypin regulates dendrite patterning in hippocampal neurons by promoting microtubule assembly. *Nature Neuroscience*, *7*(2), 145–152. <https://doi.org/10.1038/nn1179>
- American Psychiatric Association. (2013). *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-IV-TR)*. *The Corsini Encyclopedia of Psychology*. Washington, DC.
- Arantes, C., Nomizo, R., Lopes, M. H., Hajj, G. N. M., Lima, F. R. S., & Martins, V. R. (2009). Prion protein and its ligand stress inducible protein 1 regulate astrocyte development. *GLIA*, *57*(13), 1439–1449. <https://doi.org/10.1002/glia.20861>
- Ariza, J., Hurtado, J., Rogers, H., Ikeda, R., Dill, M., Steward, C., Creary, D., & Van de Water, J., Martínez-Cerdeño, V. (2017). Maternal autoimmune antibodies alter the dendritic arbor and spine numbers in the infragranular layers of the cortex. *PLoS ONE*, *12*(8). <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0183443>
- Ashwood, P., Krakowiak, P., Hertz-Picciotto, I., Hansen, R., Pessah, I. N., & Van de Water, J. (2011a). Associations of impaired behaviors with elevated plasma chemokines in autism spectrum disorders. *Journal of Neuroimmunology*, *232*(1–2), 196–199. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jneuroim.2010.10.025>
- Ashwood, P., Krakowiak, P., Hertz-Picciotto, I., Hansen, R., Pessah, I., & Van de Water, J. (2011b). Elevated plasma cytokines in autism spectrum disorders provide evidence of immune dysfunction and are associated with impaired behavioral outcome. *Brain, Behavior, and Immunity*, *25*(1), 40–45. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbi.2010.08.003>
- Assaf, M., Jagannathan, K., Calhoun, V. D., Miller, L., Stevens, M. C., Sahl, R., O'Boyle J.G., Schultz, R.T., & Pearlson, G. D. (2010). Abnormal functional connectivity of default mode sub-networks in autism spectrum disorder patients. *NeuroImage*, *53*(1), 247–256. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuroimage.2010.05.067>
- Atladóttir, H. Ó., Pedersen, M. G., Thorsen, P., Mortensen, P. B., Deleuran, B., Eaton, W. W., & Parner, E. T. (2009). Association of family history of autoimmune diseases and autism spectrum disorders. *Pediatrics*, *124*(2), 687–694. <https://doi.org/10.1542/peds.2008-2445>
- Bailey, A., Bolton, P., Le Couteur, A., Gottesman, I., Rutter, M., Yuzda, E., & Simonoff, E. (1995). Autism as a strongly genetic disorder: evidence from a British twin study. *Psychological Medicine*, *25*(01), 63–77. <https://doi.org/10.1017/s0033291700028099>
- Barón-Mendoza, I., Del Moral-Sánchez, I., Martínez-Marcial, M., García, O., Garzón-Cortés, D., & González-Arenas, A. (2019). Dendritic complexity in prefrontal cortex and

hippocampus of the autistic-like mice C58/J. *Neuroscience Letters*, 703, 149–155.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neulet.2019.03.018>

Bauman, M. D., Iosif, A.-M., Ashwood, P., Braunschweig, D., Lee, A., Schumann, C. M., Van de Water, J., & Amaral, D. G. (2013). Maternal antibodies from mothers of children with autism alter brain growth and social behavior development in the rhesus monkey. *Translational Psychiatry*, 3(7), e278. <https://doi.org/10.1038/tp.2013.47>

Bauman, M., Meltzer, A., Jones, K., Bruce, M., Berman, R., & Van de Water, J. (2018). T52. Autism-Relevant Behavioral Outcomes in an Antigen-Driven Rat Model of Maternal Autoantibody Related Autism. *Biological Psychiatry*, 83(9), S149.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biopsych.2018.02.388>

* Belmonte, M. K. (2004). Autism and Abnormal Development of Brain Connectivity. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 24(42), 9228–9231. <https://doi.org/10.1523/JNEUROSCI.3340-04.2004>

Belmonte, M. K., & Yurgelun-Todd, D. A. (2003). Functional anatomy of impaired selective attention and compensatory processing in autism. *Cognitive Brain Research*, 17(3), 651–664. [https://doi.org/10.1016/S0926-6410\(03\)00189-7](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0926-6410(03)00189-7)

Beraldo, F. H., Thomas, A., Kolisnyk, B., Hirata, P. H., De Jaeger, X., Martyn, A. C., Fan, J., Goncalves, D.F., Conwan, M.F., Masood, T., Martins, V.R., Gros, R., Prado, V.F., & Prado, M. A. M. (2015). Hyperactivity and attention deficits in mice with decreased levels of stress-inducible phosphoprotein 1 (STIP1). *Disease Models & Mechanisms*, 8(11), 1457–1466. <https://doi.org/10.1242/dmm.022525>

Beversdorf, D. Q., Manning, S. E., Hillier, A., Anderson, S. L., Nordgren, R. E., Walters, S. E., Nagaraja, H.N., Cooley, W.C., Gaelic, S.E., & Bauman, M. L. (2005). Timing of prenatal stressors and autism. *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*, 35(4), 471–478.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s10803-005-5037-8>

Borish, L. C., & Steinke, J. W. (2003, February 1). 2. Cytokines and chemokines. *Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology*. Mosby Inc. <https://doi.org/10.1067/mai.2003.108>

Braunschweig, D., Krakowiak, P., Duncanson, P., Boyce, R., Hansen, R. L., Ashwood, P., Hertz-Picciotto, I., Pessah, I.N., & Van de Water, J. (2013). Autism-specific maternal autoantibodies recognize critical proteins in developing brain. *Translational Psychiatry*, 3(7), e277. <https://doi.org/10.1038/tp.2013.50>

Braunschweig, D., Ashwood, P., Krakowiak, P., Hertz-Picciotto, I., Hansen, R., Croen, L. A., Pessah, I.N., & Van de Water, J. (2008). Autism: Maternally derived antibodies specific for fetal brain proteins. *NeuroToxicology*, 29(2), 226–231.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuro.2007.10.010>

Braunschweig, D., Duncanson, P., Boyce, R., Hansen, R., Ashwood, P., Pessah, I. N., Hertz-Picciotto, I., & Van De Water, J. (2012a). Behavioral correlates of maternal antibody status among children with autism. *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*, 42(7), 1435–1445. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10803-011-1378-7>

- Braunschweig, Daniel, Golub, M. S., Koenig, C. M., Qi, L., Pessah, I. N., Van De Water, J., & Berman, R. F. (2012b). Maternal autism-associated IgG antibodies delay development and produce anxiety in a mouse gestational transfer model. *Journal of Neuroimmunology*, *252*, 56–65. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jneuroim.2012.08.002>
- Bullmore, E., & Sporns, O. (2009, March). Complex brain networks: Graph theoretical analysis of structural and functional systems. *Nature Reviews Neuroscience*. <https://doi.org/10.1038/nrn2575>
- Camacho, J., Jones, K., Miller, E., Ariza, J., Noctor, S., de Water, J. Van, & Martínez-Cerdeño, V. (2014). Embryonic intraventricular exposure to autism-specific maternal autoantibodies produces alterations in autistic-like stereotypical behaviors in offspring mice. *Behavioural Brain Research*, *266*, 46–51. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbr.2014.02.045>
- Chen, H., & Firestein, B. L. (2007). RhoA regulates dendrite branching in hippocampal neurons by decreasing cypin protein levels. *Journal of Neuroscience*, *27*(31), 8378–8386. <https://doi.org/10.1523/JNEUROSCI.0872-07.2007>
- Chen, M., Lucas, K. G., Akum, B. F., Balasingam, G., Stawicki, T. M., Provost, J. M., Riefler, G.M., Jornsten, R.J., & Firestein, B. L. (2005). A novel role for snapin in dendrite patterning: Interaction with cypin. *Molecular Biology of the Cell*, *16*(11), 5103–5114. <https://doi.org/10.1091/mbc.E05-02-0165>
- Chen, S.-W., Zhong, X.-S., Jiang, L.-N., Zheng, X.-Y., Xiong, Y.-Q., Ma, S.-J., Qiu, M., Huo, S., Ge, J., & Chen, Q. (2016). Maternal autoimmune diseases and the risk of autism spectrum disorders in offspring: A systematic review and meta-analysis. *Behavioural Brain Research*, *296*, 61–69. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbr.2015.08.035>
- Chen, S., Prapapanich, V., Rimerman, R. A., Honoré, B., & Smith, D. F. (1996). Interactions of p60, a mediator of progesterone receptor assembly, with heat shock proteins hsp90 and hsp70. *Molecular Endocrinology (Baltimore, Md.)*, *10*(6), 682–693. <https://doi.org/10.1210/mend.10.6.8776728>
- Chiarini, L. B., Freitas, A. R. O., Zanata, S. M., Brentani, R. R., Martins, V. R., & Linden, R. (2002). Cellular prion protein transduces neuroprotective signals. *EMBO Journal*, *21*(13), 3317–3326. <https://doi.org/10.1093/emboj/cdf324>
- Coitinho, A. S., Lopes, M. H., Hajj, G. N. M., Rossato, J. I., Freitas, A. R., Castro, C. C., Cammarota, M., Brentani, R.R., Izquierdo, I., & Martins, V. R. (2007). Short-term memory formation and long-term memory consolidation are enhanced by cellular prion association to stress-inducible protein 1. *Neurobiology of Disease*, *26*(1), 282–290. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nbd.2007.01.005>
- Comi, A. M., Zimmerman, A. W., Frye, V. H., Law, P. A., & Peeden, J. N. (1999). Familial clustering of autoimmune disorders and evaluation of medical risk factors in autism. *Journal of Child Neurology*, *14*(6), 388–394. <https://doi.org/10.1177/088307389901400608>
- Connolly, A. M., Chez, M. G., Pestronk, A., Arnold, S. T., Mehta, S., & Deul, R. K. (1999). Serum autoantibodies to brain in Landau-Kleffner variant, autism, and other neurologic disorders. *Journal of Pediatrics*. [https://doi.org/10.1016/S0022-3476\(99\)70248-9](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0022-3476(99)70248-9)

- Cooper, R. A., Richter, F. R., Bays, P. M., Plaisted-Grant, K. C., Baron-Cohen, S., & Simons, J. S. (2017). Reduced Hippocampal Functional Connectivity During Episodic Memory Retrieval in Autism. *Cerebral Cortex (New York, N.Y. : 1991)*, *27*(2), 888–902. <https://doi.org/10.1093/cercor/bhw417>
- Croen, L. A., Braunschweig, D., Haapanen, L., Yoshida, C. K., Fireman, B., Grether, J. K., Kharrazi, M., Hansen, R.L., Ashwood, P., & Van de Water, J. (2008). Maternal Mid-Pregnancy Autoantibodies to Fetal Brain Protein: The Early Markers for Autism Study. *Biological Psychiatry*, *64*(7), 583–588. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biopsych.2008.05.006>
- Croen, L. A., Grether, J. K., & Selvin, S. (2002). Descriptive Epidemiology of Autism in a California Population: Who Is at Risk? *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*, *32*(3), 217–224. <https://doi.org/10.1023/A:1015405914950>
- Croen, L. A., Qian, Y., Ashwood, P., Daniels, J. L., Fallin, D., Schendel, D., Singer, A.B., & Zerbo, O. (2018). Family history of immune conditions and autism spectrum and developmental disorders: Findings from the study to explore early development. *Autism Research*, *12*(1), 123–135. <https://doi.org/10.1002/aur.1979>
- Crossley, N. A., Mechelli, A., Scott, J., Carletti, F., Fox, P. T., McGuire, P., & Bullmore, E. T. (2014). The hubs of the human connectome are generally implicated in the anatomy of brain disorders. *Brain : A Journal of Neurology*, *137*(Pt 8), 2382–2395. <https://doi.org/10.1093/brain/awu132>
- Dager, S. R., Wang, L., Friedman, S. D., Shaw, D. W., Constantino, J. N., Artru, A. A., Dawson, G., & Csernansky, J. G. (2007). Shape mapping of the hippocampus in young children with autism spectrum disorder. *American Journal of Neuroradiology*, *28*(4), 672–677. [https://doi.org/10.1016/s0098-1672\(08\)79136-7](https://doi.org/10.1016/s0098-1672(08)79136-7)
- Dalton, P., Deacon, R., Blamire, A., Pike, M., McKinlay, I., Stein, J., Styles, P., & Vincent, A. (2003). Maternal neuronal antibodies associated with autism and a language disorder. *Annals of Neurology*. <https://doi.org/10.1002/ana.10557>
- Edmiston, E., Ashwood, P., & Van de Water, J. (2017). Autoimmunity, Autoantibodies, and Autism Spectrum Disorder. *Biological Psychiatry*, *81*(5), 383–390. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biopsych.2016.08.031>
- Edmiston, E., Jones, K. L., Vu, T., Ashwood, P., & Van de Water, J. (2018). Identification of the antigenic epitopes of maternal autoantibodies in autism spectrum disorders. *Brain, Behavior, and Immunity*, *69*, 399–407. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbi.2017.12.014>
- El-Ansary, A., El-Ansary, A., Al-Daihan, S., Al-Dabas, A., & Al-Ayadhi, L. (2010). Activities of key glycolytic enzymes in the plasma of Saudi autistic patients Autism View project Biomarkers of autism spectrum disorder View project Open Access Journal of Clinical Trials Dovepress Activities of key glycolytic enzymes in the plasma of Saudi autistic patients. *Article in Open Access Journal of Clinical Trials*, *2*, 49–57. <https://doi.org/10.2147/OAJCT.S8074>
- Fernández, J. R., Welsh, W. J., & Firestein, B. L. (2007). Structural characterization of the zinc binding domain in cytosolic PSD-95 interactor (cypin): Role of zinc binding in guanine deamination and dendrite branching. *Proteins: Structure, Function, and Bioinformatics*, *70*(3), 873–881. <https://doi.org/10.1002/prot.21683>

- Firestein, B. L., Brenman, J. E., Aoki, C., Sanchez-Perez, A. M., El-Husseini, A. E.-D., & Bredt, D. S. (1999). Cypin: A Cytosolic Regulator of PSD-95 Postsynaptic Targeting. *Neuron*, 24(3), 659–672. [https://doi.org/10.1016/s0896-6273\(00\)81120-4](https://doi.org/10.1016/s0896-6273(00)81120-4)
- Frye, R. E., & Rossignol, D. A. (2011). Mitochondrial dysfunction can connect the diverse medical symptoms associated with autism spectrum disorders. *Pediatric Research*, 69(5 PART 2). <https://doi.org/10.1203/PDR.0b013e318212f16b>
- Garty, B. Z., Ludomirsky, A., Danon, Y. L., Peter, J. B., & Douglas, S. D. (1994). Placental transfer of immunoglobulin G subclasses. *Clinical and Diagnostic Laboratory Immunology*, 1(6), 667–669. Retrieved from <http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov/articlerender.fcgi?artid=368387&tool=pmcentrez&rendertype=abstract>
- Goh, S., Dong, Z., Zhang, Y., DiMauro, S., & Peterson, B. S. (2014). Mitochondrial dysfunction as a neurobiological subtype of autism spectrum disorder: Evidence from brain imaging. *JAMA Psychiatry*, 71(6), 665–671. <https://doi.org/10.1001/jamapsychiatry.2014.179>
- Goines, P., Haapanen, L., Boyce, R., Duncanson, P., Braunschweig, D., Delwiche, L., Hansen, R., Hertz-Picciotto, I., Ashwood, P., & Van De Water, J. (2011). Autoantibodies to cerebellum in children with autism associate with behavior. *Brain Behavior and Immunity*, 25, 514–523. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbi.2010.11.017>
- Groen, W., Teluij, M., Buitelaar, J., & Tendolkar, I. (2010). Amygdala and Hippocampus Enlargement During Adolescence in Autism. *Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry*, 49(6), 552–560. <https://doi.org/10.1097/00004583-201006000-00004>
- Hagihara, H., Catts, V. S., Katayama, Y., Shoji, H., Takagi, T., Huang, F. L., Nakao, A., Mori, Y., Huang, K., Ishii, S., Graef, I.A., Nakayama, K.I., Weickert, C.S., & Miyakawa, T. (2018). Decreased Brain pH as a Shared Endophenotype of Psychiatric Disorders. *Neuropsychopharmacology*, 43(3), 459–468. <https://doi.org/10.1038/npp.2017.167>
- Hashimoto, T., Hussien, R., Cho, H.-S., Kaufer, D., & Brooks, G. A. (2008). Evidence for the mitochondrial lactate oxidation complex in rat neurons: demonstration of an essential component of brain lactate shuttles. *PLoS One*, 3(8), e2915. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0002915>
- Heininger, U., Desgrandchamps, D., & Schaad, U. B. (2006). Seroprevalence of Varicella-Zoster virus IgG antibodies in Swiss children during the first 16 months of age. *Vaccine*, 24(16), 3258–3260. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.vaccine.2006.01.026>
- Hitchings, G. H., & Falco, E. A. (1944). The Identification of Guanine in Extracts of *Girella Nigricans*: The Specificity of Guanase. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 30(10), 294–297. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.30.10.294>
- Hitti, F. L., & Siegelbaum, S. A. (2014). The hippocampal CA2 region is essential for social memory. *Nature*, 508(1), 88–92. <https://doi.org/10.1038/nature13028>
- Honey, C. J., & Sporns, O. (2008). Dynamical consequences of lesions in cortical networks. *Human Brain Mapping*, 29(7), 802–809. <https://doi.org/10.1002/hbm.20579>
- Hong, S. J., de Wael, R. V., Bethlehem, R. A. I., Larivière, S., Paquola, C., Valk, S. L., Milham,

- M.P., Di Martino, A., Margulies, D.S., Smallwood, J., & Bernhardt, B. C. (2019). Atypical functional connectome hierarchy in autism. *Nature Communications*, *10*(1).
<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-019-08944-1>
- Hutsler, J. J., & Zhang, H. (2010). Increased dendritic spine densities on cortical projection neurons in autism spectrum disorders. *Brain Research*, *1309*, 83–94.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.brainres.2009.09.120>
- Jakab, A., Emri, M., Spisak, T., Szeman-Nagy, A., Beres, M., Kis, S. A., Molnar, P., & Berenyi, E. (2013). Autistic Traits in Neurotypical Adults: Correlates of Graph Theoretical Functional Network Topology and White Matter Anisotropy Patterns. *PLoS ONE*, *8*(4), e60982.
<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0060982>
- Jones, K. L., Croen, L. A., Yoshida, C. K., Heuer, L., Hansen, R., Zerbo, O., DeLorenze, G.N., & Van De Water, J. (2017). Autism with intellectual disability is associated with increased levels of maternal cytokines and chemokines during gestation. *Molecular Psychiatry*, *22*(2), 273–279. <https://doi.org/10.1038/mp.2016.77>
- Just, M. A., Cherkassky, V. L., Keller, T. A., & Minshew, N. J. (2004). Cortical activation and synchronization during sentence comprehension in high-functioning autism: evidence of underconnectivity. *Brain*, *127*, 1811–1821. <https://doi.org/10.1093/brain/awh199>
- Kanner, L. (1943). Autistic disturbances of affective contact. *Nervous Child*, *2*, 217–250.
- Keil, A., Daniels, J. L., Forssen, U., Hultman, C., Cnattingius, S., Söderberg, K. C., Feychting, & M., Sparen, P. (2010). Parental autoimmune diseases associated with autism spectrum disorders in offspring. *Epidemiology*, *21*(6), 805–808.
<https://doi.org/10.1097/EDE.0b013e3181f26e3f>
- Khemakhem, A. M., Frye, R. E., El-Ansary, A., Al-Ayadhi, L., & Bacha, A. Ben. (2017). Novel biomarkers of metabolic dysfunction in autism spectrum disorder: potential for biological diagnostic markers. *Metabolic Brain Disease*, *32*(6), 1983–1997.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s11011-017-0085-2>
- Kim, S.-N., Jo, G.-H., Kim, H.-A., & Heo, Y. (2016). Aberrant IgG isotype generation in mice with abnormal behaviors. *Journal of Immunotoxicology*, *13*(1), 92–96.
<https://doi.org/10.3109/1547691X.2015.1014581>
- Klei, L., Sanders, S. J., Murtha, M. T., Hus, V., Lowe, J. K., Willsey, A. J., Moreno-De-Luca, D., Yu, T.W., Fombonne, N., Geschwind, D., Grice, D.E., Ledbetter, D.H., Lord, C., Mane, S.M., Martin, C.L., Martin, D.M., Morrow, E.M., Walsh, C.A., Melhem, N.M., Chaste, P., Sutcliffe, J.S., State, M.W., Cook, E.H. Jr, Roeder, K., & Devlin, B. (2012). Common genetic variants, acting additively, are a major source of risk for autism. *Molecular Autism*, *3*(1), 9. <https://doi.org/10.1186/2040-2392-3-9>
- Krakowiak, P., Walker, C. K., Bremer, A. A., Baker, A. S., Ozonoff, S., Hansen, R. L., & Hertz-Picciotto, I. (2012). Maternal Metabolic Conditions and Risk for Autism and Other Neurodevelopmental Disorders. *Pediatrics*, *129*(5), e1121–e1128.
<https://doi.org/10.1542/peds.2011-2583>
- Krakowiak, Paula, Goines, P. E., Tancredi, D. J., Ashwood, P., Hansen, R. L., Hertz-Picciotto, I., & Van de Water, J. (2017). Neonatal Cytokine Profiles Associated With Autism Spectrum

Disorder. *Biological Psychiatry*, 81(5), 442–451.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biopsych.2015.08.007>

Lancaster, K., Dietz, D. M., Moran, T. H., & Pletnikov, M. V. (2007). Abnormal social behaviors in young and adult rats neonatally infected with Borna disease virus. *Behavioural Brain Research*, 176(1), 141–148. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbr.2006.06.013>

Lauritsen, M. B., Pedersen, C. B., & Mortensen, P. B. (2005). Effects of familial risk factors and place of birth on the risk of autism: A nationwide register-based study. *Journal of Child Psychology and Psychiatry and Allied Disciplines*, 46(9), 963–971.
<https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1469-7610.2004.00391.x>

Lee, B. K., Magnusson, C., Gardner, R. M., Blomström, Å., Newschaffer, C. J., Burstyn, I., Karisson, H., & Dalman, C. (2015). Maternal hospitalization with infection during pregnancy and risk of autism spectrum disorders. *Brain, Behavior, and Immunity*, 44, 100–105. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbi.2014.09.001>

Lichtenstein, P., Carlström, E., Råstam, M., Gillberg, C., & Anckarsäter, H. (2010). The genetics of autism spectrum disorders and related neuropsychiatric disorders in childhood. *American Journal of Psychiatry*, 167(11), 1357–1363.
<https://doi.org/10.1176/appi.ajp.2010.10020223>

Lintas, C., Altieri, L., Lombardi, F., Sacco, R., & Persico, A. M. (2010). Association of autism with polyomavirus infection in postmortem brains. *Journal of NeuroVirology*, 16(2), 141–149. <https://doi.org/10.3109/13550281003685839>

Lopes, M. H., Hajj, G. N. M., Muras, A. G., Mancini, G. L., Castro, R. M. P. S., Ribeiro, K. C. B., Brentani, R.R., Linden, R., & Martins, V. R. (2005). Interaction of cellular prion and stress-inducible protein 1 promotes neuritogenesis and neuroprotection by distinct signaling pathways. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 25(49), 11330–11339.
<https://doi.org/10.1523/JNEUROSCI.2313-05.2005>

Maier, S., Tebartz van Elst, L., Beier, D., Ebert, D., Fangmeier, T., Radtke, M., Perlov, E., & Riedel, A. (2015). Increased hippocampal volumes in adults with high functioning autism spectrum disorder and an IQ>100: A manual morphometric study. *Psychiatry Research - Neuroimaging*, 234(1), 152–155. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.psychresns.2015.08.002>

Makihara, H., Nakai, S., Ohkubo, W., Yamashita, N., Nakamura, F., Kiyonari, H., Shioi, G., Jitsuki-Takahashi, A., Nakamura, H., Tanaka, F., Akase, T., Kolattukudy, P., & Goshima, Y. (2016). CRMP1 and CRMP2 have synergistic but distinct roles in dendritic development. *Genes to Cells*, 21(9), 994–1005. <https://doi.org/10.1111/gtc.12399>

Martin, L. A., Ashwood, P., Braunschweig, D., Cabanlit, M., Van de Water, J., & Amaral, D. G. (2008). Stereotypies and hyperactivity in rhesus monkeys exposed to IgG from mothers of children with autism. *Brain, Behavior, and Immunity*, 22(6), 806–816.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbi.2007.12.007>

Martínez-Cerdeño, V., Camacho, J., Fox, E., Miller, E., Ariza, J., Kienzle, D., Plank, K., Noctor, S.C., & Van De Water, J. (2016). Prenatal Exposure to Autism-Specific Maternal

- Autoantibodies Alters Proliferation of Cortical Neural Precursor Cells, Enlarges Brain, and Increases Neuronal Size in Adult Animals. *Cerebral Cortex*, 26(1), 374–383.
<https://doi.org/10.1093/cercor/bhu291>
- Money, J., Bobrow, N. A., & Clarke, F. C. (1971). Autism and autoimmune disease: A family study. *Journal of Autism and Childhood Schizophrenia*, 1(2), 146–160.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/BF01537954>
- * Mor, G., & Cardenas, I. (2010, June). The Immune System in Pregnancy: A Unique Complexity. *American Journal of Reproductive Immunology*.
<https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1600-0897.2010.00836.x>
- Mukaetova-Ladinska, E. B., Arnold, H., Jaros, E., Perry, R., & Perry, E. (2004). Depletion of MAP2 expression and laminar cytoarchitectonic changes in dorsolateral prefrontal cortex in adult autistic individuals. *Neuropathology and Applied Neurobiology*, 30(6), 615–623. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1365-2990.2004.00574.x>
- Nahum Sacks, K., Friger, M., Shoham-Vardi, I., Abokaf, H., Spiegel, E., Sergienko, R., Landau, D., & Sheiner, E. (2016). Prenatal exposure to gestational diabetes mellitus as an independent risk factor for long-term neuropsychiatric morbidity of the offspring. *American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology*, 215(3), 380.e1-380.e7.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ajog.2016.03.030>
- Niisato, E., Nagai, J., Yamashita, N., Nakamura, F., Goshima, Y., & Ohshima, T. (2013). Phosphorylation of CRMP2 is involved in proper bifurcation of the apical dendrite of hippocampal CA1 pyramidal neurons. *Developmental Neurobiology*.
<https://doi.org/10.1002/dneu.22048>
- * Picard, D. (2002). Heat-shock protein 90, a chaperone for folding and regulation. *Cellular and Molecular Life Sciences*, 59(10), 1640–1648. <https://doi.org/10.1007/PL00012491>
- Piras, I. S., Haapanen, L., Napolioni, V., Sacco, R., Van de Water, J., & Persico, A. M. (2014). Anti-brain antibodies are associated with more severe cognitive and behavioral profiles in Italian children with Autism Spectrum Disorder. *Brain, Behavior, and Immunity*, 38, 91–99. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbi.2013.12.020>
- Raymond, G. V., Bauman, M. L., & Kemper, T. L. (1995). Hippocampus in autism: a Golgi analysis. *Acta Neuropathologica*, 91(1), 117–119.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s004010050401>
- Ronald, A., Pennell, C. E., & Whitehouse, A. J. O. (2011). Prenatal maternal stress associated with ADHD and autistic traits in early childhood. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 1(JAN), 223.
<https://doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2010.00223>
- Rosenberg, R. E., Law, J. K., Yenokyan, G., McGready, J., Kaufmann, W. E., & Law, P. A. (2009). Characteristics and concordance of autism spectrum disorders among 277 twin pairs. *Archives of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine*, 163(10), 907–914.
<https://doi.org/10.1001/archpediatrics.2009.98>
- Rubenstein, J. L. R., & Merzenich, M. M. (2003). Model of autism : increased ratio of excitation / inhibition in key neural systems. *Brain*, 2(5), 255–267.
<https://doi.org/10.1046/j.1601-183X.2003.00037.x>

- * Saunders, N. R., Liddelow, S. A., & Dziegielewska, K. M. (2012). Barrier mechanisms in the developing brain. *Frontiers in Pharmacology*, 3 MAR, 1–18.
<https://doi.org/10.3389/fphar.2012.00046>
- Schumann, C. M., Hamstra, J., Goodlin-Jones, B.L., Lotspeich, L.J., Kwon, H., Buonocore, M-H, Lammers, C.R., Reiss, A.L., & Amaral, D.G. (2004). The Amygdala Is Enlarged in Children But Not Adolescents with Autism; the Hippocampus Is Enlarged at All Ages. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 24(28), 6392–6401. <https://doi.org/10.1523/JNEUROSCI.1297-04.2004>
- Schumann, Cynthia Mills, Barnes, C. C., Lord, C., & Courchesne, E. (2009). Amygdala Enlargement in Toddlers with Autism Related to Severity of Social and Communication Impairments. *Biological Psychiatry*, 66(10), 942–949.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biopsych.2009.07.007>
- Shi, L., Fatemi, S. H., Sidwell, R. W., & Patterson, P. H. (2003). Maternal Influenza Infection Causes Marked Behavioral and Pharmacological Changes in the Offspring. *The Journal of Neuroscience*, 23(1), 297–302. <https://doi.org/10.1523/JNEUROSCI.23-01-00297.2003>
- Singer, H. S., Morris, C., Gause, C., Pollard, M., Zimmerman, A. W., & Pletnikov, M. (2009). Prenatal exposure to antibodies from mothers of children with autism produces neurobehavioral alterations: A pregnant dam mouse model. *Journal of Neuroimmunology*, 211(1–2), 39–48. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jneuroim.2009.03.011>
- Singer, H. S., Morris, C. M., Williams, P. N., Yoon, D. Y., Hong, J. J., & Zimmerman, A. W. (2006). Antibrain antibodies in children with autism and their unaffected siblings. *Journal of Neuroimmunology*, 178(1–2), 149–155.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jneuroim.2006.05.025>
- Singh, V.K., Warren, R. P., Odell, J. D., Warren, W. L., & Cole, P. (1993). Antibodies to Myelin Basic Protein in Children with Autistic Behavior. *Brain, Behavior, and Immunity*, 7(1), 97–103. <https://doi.org/10.1006/brbi.1993.1010>
- Singh, Vijendra K., & Rivas, W. H. (2004). Prevalence of serum antibodies to caudate nucleus in autistic children. *Neuroscience Letters*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neulet.2003.10.026>
- Singh, Vijendra K, Lin, S. X., Newell, E., & Nelson, C. (2002). Abnormal measles-mumps-rubella antibodies and CNS autoimmunity in children with autism. *Journal of Biomedical Science*, 9(4), 359–364. <https://doi.org/10.1007/BF02256592>
- * Stolp, H. B. (2013). Neuropoietic cytokines in normal brain development and neurodevelopmental disorders. *Molecular and Cellular Neuroscience*, 53, 63–68.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.mcn.2012.08.009>
- Sun, Y., Fei, T., Yang, T., Zhang, F., Chen, Y. G., Li, H., & Xu, Z. (2010). The suppression of CRMP2 expression by Bone Morphogenetic Protein (BMP)-SMAD gradient signaling controls multiple stages of neuronal development. *Journal of Biological Chemistry*, 285(50), 39039–39050. <https://doi.org/10.1074/jbc.M110.168351>
- Vetter, P., Roth, A., & Häusser, M. (2001). Propagation of action potentials in dendrites depends on dendritic morphology. *Journal of Neurophysiology*, 85(2), 926–937.

<https://doi.org/10.1152/jn.2001.85.2.926>

- Vinet, É., Pineau, C. A., Clarke, A. E., Scott, S., Fombonne, É., Joseph, L., Platt, R.W., & Bernatsky, S. (2015). Increased Risk of Autism Spectrum Disorders in Children Born to Women With Systemic Lupus Erythematosus: Results From a Large Population-Based Cohort. *Arthritis & Rheumatology (Hoboken, N.J.)*, 67(12), 3201–3208. <https://doi.org/10.1002/art.39320>
- Wang, L. H., & Strittmatter, S. M. (1996). A family of rat CRMP genes is differentially expressed in the nervous system. *The Journal of Neuroscience : The Official Journal of the Society for Neuroscience*, 16(19), 6197–6207.
- Warren, R.P., Cole, P., Odell, J.D., Pingree, C.B., Warren, L., White, E., Yonk, J., & Singh, V.K., (1990). Detection of Maternal Antibodies in Infantile Autism. *Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry*, 29(6), 873–877. <https://doi.org/10.1097/00004583-199011000-00005>
- Weissman, J. R., Kelley, R. I., Bauman, M. L., Cohen, B. H., Murray, K. F., Mitchell, R. L., Kern, R.L., & Natowicz, M. R. (2008). Mitochondrial disease in autism spectrum disorder patients: A cohort analysis. *PLoS ONE*, 3(11). <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0003815>
- Williams, D. W., & Truman, J. W. (2004). Mechanisms of dendritic elaboration of sensory neurons in *Drosophila*: insights from in vivo time lapse. *The Journal of Neuroscience : The Official Journal of the Society for Neuroscience*, 24(7), 1541–1550. <https://doi.org/10.1523/JNEUROSCI.4521-03.2004>
- World Health Institution. (2016). ICD-10. Retrieved from <https://icd.who.int/browse10/2016/en> (11.7.2019)
- Wu, S., Ding, Y., Wu, F., Li, R., Xie, G., Hou, J., & Mao, P. (2015, August 1). Family history of autoimmune diseases is associated with an increased risk of autism in children: A systematic review and meta-analysis. *Neuroscience and Biobehavioral Reviews*. Elsevier Ltd. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neubiorev.2015.05.004>
- Yamashita, N., Ohshima, T., Nakamura, F., Kolattukudy, P., Honnorat, J., Mikoshiba, K., & Goshima, Y. (2012). Phosphorylation of CRMP2 (Collapsin Response Mediator Protein 2) is Involved in Proper Dendritic Field Organization. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 32(4), 1360–1365. <https://doi.org/10.1523/JNEUROSCI.5563-11.2012>
- Yamashita, N., Takahashi, A., Takao, K., Yamamoto, T., Kolattukudy, P., Miyakawa, T., & Goshima, Y. (2013). Mice lacking collapsin response mediator protein 1 manifest hyperactivity, impaired learning and memory, and impaired prepulse inhibition. *Frontiers in Behavioral Neuroscience*, 7(December), 1–10. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fnbeh.2013.00216>
- Yamashita, N., Uchida, Y., Ohshima, T., Hirai, S. I., Nakamura, F., Taniguchi, M., , Mikoshiba, K., Honnorat, J., Kolattukudy, P., Thomasset, N., Takei, K., Takahashi, T., & Goshima, Y. (2006). Collapsin response mediator protein 1 mediates reelin signaling in cortical neuronal migration. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 26(51), 13357–13362. <https://doi.org/10.1523/JNEUROSCI.4276-06.2006>

- Zanata, S. M., Lopes, M. H., Mercadante, A. F., Hajj, G. N. M., Chiarini, L. B., Nomizo, R., Freitas, A.R., Cabral, A.L., Lee, K.S., Juliano, M.A., de Oliveira, E., Jachieri, S.G., Burlingame, A., Huang, L., Linden, R., Brentani, R.R., & Martins, V. R. (2002). Stress-inducible protein 1 is a cell surface ligand for cellular prion that triggers neuroprotection. *EMBO Journal*, *21*(13), 3307–3316.
<https://doi.org/10.1093/emboj/cdf325>
- Zerbo, O., Qian, Y., Yoshida, C., Grether, J. K., Van de Water, J., & Croen, L. A. (2015). Maternal Infection During Pregnancy and Autism Spectrum Disorders. *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*, *45*(12), 4015–4025. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10803-013-2016-3>
- Zhang, J., Zhao, B., Zhu, X., Li, J., Wu, F., Li, S., Gong, X., Cha, C., & Guo, G. (2018). Phosphorylation and SUMOylation of CRMP2 regulate the formation and maturation of dendritic spines. *Brain Research Bulletin*.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.brainresbull.2018.02.004>