

Link between child prodigies and autism

While child prodigies have been recognized throughout history, a new study has found a possible link between those we would deem prodigies and a relatively new mental health condition, [autism](#). The study, out of the [Ohio State University](#) in Columbus, Ohio, did a comparative study of eight child prodigies.

Three of the eight subjects, it was found, had a diagnosis of autism spectrum disorders. Add to that the fact that the group, on the whole, tended to have slightly elevated scores on a test of autistic traits, when held in comparison to a control group. But what was also very interesting to note was that half of the prodigies, it was found, had a family member or a first- or second-degree relative who had received an autism diagnosis.

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