Genetic variants lend insight into behavioral traits

Three genetic variants have been found to be significantly associated with educational attainment in certain individuals, according to a recent study involving Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital. The discovery of genetic variants (ways in which people's genomes differ) associated with behavioural traits, gives insight into the biological pathways of human behaviour.

However, most existing studies have methodological limitations; meaning a small sample size and a lack of replication. An international collaboration of 130 institutions conducted the first genome-wide association study (GWAS) of educational attainment in a sufficiently large sample size.

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