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Social Environmental Factors of anti/Prosocial Behaviour Development: Current Knowledge and Future Challenges

Message from the Guest Editor

Research has shown that both anti- and prosocial behavior may be impacted by social and environmental factors that contribute to both as a risk or protective factor. Most research focused on social environmental variables as risk factors, such as family, peers, intimate relationships, and communities, and how they are related to antisocial behavior. Less attention has been paid to the protective role of social environmental factors and their implications for prosocial behavior development. This research area impacts all levels of Bronfenbrenner's biopsychosocial ecological model, with implications for physical and mental health, education/job performance, offending and victimization, and economics. Thus, the aim of this Special Issue is to compile works in the field of social environment factors of social behavior development, allowing for a deeper understanding of the topic. Relying on multidisciplinary perspectives, this Special Issue will enhance the knowledge about challenges, risks, and opportunities for anti/social behavior development, inspiring future studies and providing insights for different professionals and policymakers.

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