AGEING (DIS)GRACEFULLY—Resources (a selected list collated by Christine Jenkins)


**(2018) Risk markers for suicidality in autistic adults, Molecular Autism 9, 42**


**Churchard, A; Ryder, M; Greenhill, A; Mandy, W; (2018) The prevalence of autistic traits in a homeless population. Autism 10.1177/1362361318768484.** (In press)

**Crompton, Dr. Catherine [http://dart.ed.ac.uk/research/ageing-residential-care/](http://dart.ed.ac.uk/research/ageing-residential-care/). Many papers on general ageing under her entry in Google Scholar.**


*Note: their manual discusses a male patient.*


**Griffiths, Sarah et al. The Vulnerability Experiences Quotient (VEQ): A Study of Vulnerability, Mental Health and Life Satisfaction in Autistic Adults. July 2019** [https://doi.org/10.1002/aur.2162](https://doi.org/10.1002/aur.2162)


Kats, D. et al. *Journal of Neurodevelopmental Disorders* 2013, 5:27 [http://www.jneurodevdisorders.com/content/5/1/27](http://www.jneurodevdisorders.com/content/5/1/27) example of paper missing sex-disaggregated data


“A 20-year study of suicide death in a statewide autism population”. *Autism Research* Vol 12, Issue 4. April 2019. Suicide risk in females with ASD was over three times higher than in females without ASD.

Lai, Meng-Chuan check his many papers on Google Scholar. I was on his Advisory Group for a recent qualitative study of women with Yani Hamdani and Caroline Kassee. Poster presented at INSAR 2019. Articles to be published soon.


Moseley, Dr. Rachel Report forthcoming on menopause study. She has previously been known for her work with Julie Kirby on the effectiveness of diagnostic tools to diagnose such as RAADS-R to identify women, and On NSSIs (Non-suicidal Self Injuries). Please stay tuned! See below for Video from Discover conference with initial finding on Menopause study

Sohn, Emily “Righting the gender imbalance in autism studies, Spectrum News, 13 March 2019

Tint, Ami and Jonathan Weiss. A qualitative study of the service experiences of women with autism spectrum disorder, *Autism*, 2017 Lead author [amitint@yorku.ca](mailto:amitint@yorku.ca)


Wright, Scott D. Autism Aging - The Odyssey Gerontology Interdisciplinary Program University of Utah Salt Lake City, Utah, Revised Nov 2017 a meta-analysis of studies on autistic aging. He meticulously delineates Legacy Exemplary Literature (LEL) or 2011-2016 from Current Exemplary Literature (CEL), 2016
to the present. From page 17: “Inclusion of Autism advocates in the research process We must consider the voices of autistic individuals who are aging to be included in the research activities that we engage in -- not just as participants (the sample) responding to the interview or survey, but also as an integral part of “team science” (where possible) in the discovery process (e.g., authors and co-authors) and advisory boards (e.g., community programs) and policy groups. This reflects Wenn Lawson’s connection to “Nothing about us without us” — and to the participatory research work of Christina Nicolaidis.”


An older analysis mentions no women other than Temple Grandin, as recently as 2013.

https://pdfs.semanticscholar.org/1a1a/b13cd033c486ab3f94c7d8c57c637297ce47.pdf

Zener, Dori, “Helping autistic women thrive” in Advances in Autism, July 3 2019 (C Jenkins edited this article). INVEST (Identify Needs, Educate, Strengthen and Thrive) is a strengths-based neurodiversity therapeutic approach. Dori is co-moderator of Asperfemme Toronto (Asperfemme was co-founded in 2011 by Christine Jenkins in Ottawa.)

YouTube clips:

Recent presentations:


All the presentations in Rotterdam: https://insar.confex.com/insar/2018/webprogram/Session3969.html

Several presentations of interest to older females. See Harwood and Grant, Moseley, and Freeth.


Discover Conference 2019, Panel—Virginia Bovell is especially good.https://youtu.be/ciby20Cg_jQ

Wenn Lawson at Autism Europe 2016 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oeeAbkdcqVI

Role models


[Acting and performing appeal to autistics because you can script what you do, and no one contradicts. Other women we strongly suspect are Frances Farmer and Marilyn Monroe; Daryl Hannah disclosed a few years ago.]
Greta Thunberg interviewed in Swedish. Start around 03:50 where she says she gets the strength to be different from her Asperger’s. 12:07 https://youtu.be/YrZ93Nbo34E Skavlan Jan. 21, 2019

60 Minutes Australia interview in English (she is more monotone as it is her second language.) May 21, 2019 02:01 https://youtu.be/bJ7aSc-5YoQ Also https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-48017083

Books and articles


Materials from the Springboard Clinic in Toronto (executive functioning/AD(H)D)
http://www.springboardclinic.com/the-book/online-course


Beacon Hill Village co-housing model, Chris Bentley, September 17, 2015

There are a number of options short of institutional living, finding a mature student to live in, or a homestay (warn them “I won’t be socializing with you every day.” You don’t need to disclose your labels.

Green Lyndsay. You COULD live a Long Time: Are You Ready? Green discusses the need to be proactive, making ever younger contacts, having a will and powers of attorney, giving stuff away. “Who will speak for us when we can’t speak for ourselves.”

Late diagnosis and missed diagnosis


Poster by Autism Research Lab, University of Sheffield http://www.autismresearchlab.group.shef.ac.uk/
https://c57057.sgvps.net:2096/cpsess1265664552/3rdparty/roundcube/?_task=mail&_action=get&_mb ox=INBOX&_uid=7&_part=2&_frame=1&_extwin=1

Poster: Autism and Ageing: Study of 10 Women and 25 Men: Sex Differences in Behavioral and Neural Cognitive Control and Associations with Symptoms in Older Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder, Arizona State University Contact Melissa Walsh Melissa.stoeckmann@gmail.com
Health care

The need to train General Practitioners: https://theconversation.com/gps-urgently-need-training-on-autism-77301

Hamdani, Lunsky, Kassee et al. Future models of peer support y.hamdani@utoronto.ca

http://www.researchautism.net/publicfiles/pdf/Cos%20Michael%2025.11.15.pdf Cos Michael, Autism and Ageing consultant, slides from 2015

Michael, Cos. Why we need research on autism and ageing”, May 2016

https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/1362361316647224