Multimedia Appendix 2. Inclusion and exclusion criteria.

Inclusion criteria

(a) the object of the study was to differentiate individuals clinically diagnosed with ASD from controls (e.g., neurotypical individuals or individuals with another neurodevelopmental disorder)

(b) algorithms, suggested as machine learning in the study, included appropriate apparatus, such as learning or training, aimed at seeking optimal answers

(c) such algorithms also included process of validation, in addition to training or learning

(d) MRI (e.g., functional, structural, etc.) was used in diagnostic imaging studies

(e) validation and/or accuracy measure were expressed as quantifiable values

Exclusion criteria

(a) the study included individuals diagnosed with ASD non-clinically or individuals at high risk for or suspected of ASD (without diagnostic confirmation)

(b) algorithms following a determined flow (e.g., rule-base algorithm), instead of searching for optimal answers

(c) training, learning, and/or validation process were not explained clearly or distinguished from each other

(d) non-human subjects (e.g., animals) were studied