**Call for Submissions**

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Special Issue:

Development in Individuals with

Down Syndrome Throughout the Lifespan

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**Background**

New behavioral and pharmaceutical treatments are on the horizon for people with Down syndrome. However, critical gaps remain in our knowledge base regarding the behavioral phenotype associated with Down syndrome across the lifespan. In order to generate effective treatments, and to quantify treatment outcomes in Down syndrome, rigorous descriptive work is needed to further characterize developmental profiles and trajectories in this population. This special issue will focus on manuscripts that contribute to our current understanding of cognition, language and communication, self-regulation, and social-emotional functioning in Down syndrome across the lifespan, from early childhood through to older adulthood.

**Priority Topics**

We will give priority to high quality submissions that include:

* Longitudinal or cross-sectional descriptive work in specific areas that will inform treatment or clinical outcome research.
* Evaluation of innovative measures targeting the Down syndrome phenotype and associated developmental outcomes.

However, all submissions related to cognition and behavioral development in Down syndrome will be considered.

**Contact Information**

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Submitting authors should indicate in their cover letter to the Editor that they wish their manuscript to be considered for the Special Issue.