Vanderbilt Kennedy Center Lectures on Development and Developmental Disabilities

Grammar Markers and Other Speech and Language Phenotypes: New Twin Heritability Estimates at 4, 6, and 16 Years

Dr. Mabel Rice will describe new reports coming from longitudinal population-based studies of twins, one she directed with data collection in Australia and another in collaboration with a large twin study conducted in England. The outcome variables include detailed measures of grammar that show high heritability increasing with age.

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