Cross-validation of PAI scales for the detection of suspected ADHD in adults.

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Abstract

The purpose of this study was to cross-validate scales and subscales of the Personality Assessment Inventory (PAI) identified in previously published research against criterion variables for the identification of Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) in adults. Performance-based indicators of attention deficits from the Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale-Fourth Edition were used as criterion variables. In a hierarchical logistic regression analysis, the addition of the PAI scales to the criterion variables did significantly improve the fit of the model, with an overall classification accuracy of 75%. Limitations of this study and implications for future research are discussed.