

Data supplement I Summary of heritability analyses using Social and Communication Disorders Checklist data from twins. (Values show proportions of phenotypic variance, with 95% CIs in parentheses; A, additive genetic influences; C, shared environmental influences; E, unique environmental influences)

Model ^I	Females			Males			Female-specific A	Male-specific A	χ^2	d.f.	P	AIC
	A	C	E	A	C	E						
I	0.68 (0.44, 0.78)	0.05 (0.00, 0.26)	0.27 (0.22, 0.35)	0.55 (0.26, 0.79)	0.19 (0.00, 0.45)	0.26 (0.20, 0.35)			5.34	9	0.80	-12.66
II	0.67 (0.13, 0.78)	0.05 (0.00, 0.26)	0.28 (0.22, 0.35)	0.55 (0.26, 0.79)	0.19 (0.00, 0.79)	0.26 (0.00, 0.45)	0.00 (0.00, 0.43)		5.34	8	0.72	-10.66
III	0.67 (0.44, 0.77)	0.05 (0.00, 0.26)	0.28 (0.22, 0.36)	0.55 (0.10, 0.79)	0.19 (0.00, 0.45)	0.26 (0.19, 0.34)		0.00 (0.00, 0.00)	5.08	8	0.75	-10.90
Males and females												
IV ²	A 0.65 (0.46, 0.77)		C 0.08 (0.00, 0.25)		E 0.27 (0.22, 0.32)				6.05	11	0.87	-15.95
V	A 0.74 (0.68, 0.78)				E 0.26 (0.22, 0.32)				7.09	13	0.90	-18.91

AIC, Akaike's Information Criterion; K, scalar multiplier applied to female data.

I. Type of model:

- I: common effects gender limitation model – estimates ACE separately for males and females;
- II: general gender limitation model – separate ACE for males and females, as well as female-specific additive genetic effects;
- III: general gender limitation model – separate ACE for males and females as well as male-specific additive genetic effects;
- IV: scalar gender limitation model – fixes ACE same in males and females and includes K (a scalar amplification or dampening of phenotypic traits);
- V: fixes A and E same in males and females and fixes C at zero (best fitting model).

2. A scalar multiplier K=0.98 was applied to the female data.