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[@Neurodiversit19](#) [@Theautisticedu1](#) Yea, there are some high hopes for this piece of research, where it might go in the future. If monotropic cognitive style is unique to autistic persons, then non-pathologising tools can be developed to screen/ identify autistic persons. Big if mind.

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Regardless if you are autistic or non-autistic. Perhaps you have never heard of Monotropism, or are passionate about the theory, please could you spend about 20 minutes completing this research into the theory.
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[@Neurodiversit19](#) [@Theautisticedu1](#) Bringing it back to PDA. I get your point, & I think it has much merit. Aggressively pushing "PDA Profile of ASD", while assuming PDA features are linked to deficits within the individual does nothing to change autism discourse away from medical model of disability.

[@Neurodiversit19](#) [@Theautisticedu1](#) If anything it keeps autism discourse entrenched in medical model, as it focuses on trying to subtype/ divide autistic persons. Ignores modern autism understandings are based on transactional stress for demand-avoidance...

[@Neurodiversit19](#) [@Theautisticedu1](#) ... E.g., Criteria C from DSM-5. "Symptoms must be present in the early developmental period (but may not become fully manifest until social demands exceed limited capacities, or may be masked by learned strategies in later life)." APA 2013, p50...

[@Neurodiversit19](#) [@Theautisticedu1](#) ... Is it wonder that this clinician in Denmark has said such atrocious things, when autism discourse often makes us out to equivalent to demons who need to be turned into "normal" human beings...

[@Neurodiversit19](#) [@Theautisticedu1](#) ... You add that discourse to PDA discourse through "ASD+PDA traits dual diagnosis. You get horrible autism discourse & PDA discourse of avoidance of others requests, often quite aggressive/ extreme behaviours, & criminal conduct in PDA literature...

[@Neurodiversit19](#) [@Theautisticedu1](#) ... One can empathise with why someone might say

"that Autistics with PDA would be better off not being born!"

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[@Neurodiversit19](#) [@Theautisticedu1](#) ... Which takes me back to this situation, is both entirely predictable & avoidable if those pushing "PDA Profile of ASD" acted ethically & responsibly by, by acting in manner proportional to PDA's substantial contested nature & poor quality evidence base!

[@Neurodiversit19](#) [@Theautisticedu1](#) [@threadreaderapp](#) Please can you unroll?

Thank you in advance.

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