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Researcher connections: Understanding a decade of collaborations in autism research

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It takes all kinds of scientists to study a condition as complex as autism. In the past decade, interdisciplinary collaborations have powered some of the biggest breakthroughs in the field.

“When a team of collaborators brings together their unique insights, skills and resources, we can accelerate the pace of discovery,” says **Rebecca Landa**, executive director of the Center for Autism and Related Disorders at the Kennedy Krieger Institute in Baltimore, Maryland. “The interplay of the insights, knowledge and experience of a diverse team of researchers enables us to challenge paradigms and put forth novel ideas that drive the field forward.”

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