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## Advances in Neuroimaging Genetics

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### **Message from the Guest Editor**

In recent years, a multitude of brain mapping techniques has been used to try to establish a connection between anatomic differences in structure and/or neural circuitry in the brain, phenotypes, and individual variations in the human genome. Several studies have suggested converging evidence that brain imaging can establish relationships between genes and behavior. The use of multimodal imaging has implications to study underlying neurobiological and neuroanatomical mechanisms that influence behavioral phenotypes or disease states. In the process of doing so, intermediate or less severe phenotypes may be uncovered.

This Special Issue will provide a broad overview on how multimodal neuroimaging modalities are being used to understand the role that imaging can play in deciphering the genetic underpinnings of cognition, behavior and brain. The integration of genetic and neuroimaging data is full of possibilities but not without consideration of methodological and conceptual challenges. We review recent advances in the field and identifies important methodological and conceptual challenges that remain unresolved in the attempt to fully exploit the synergism of imaging and genetics.



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