BIASĂRI ATENȚIONALE ÎN ANXIETATE; O METAANALIZĂ CALITATIVĂ ASUPRA IPOTEZEI INTERACȚIUNII

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Abstract

This paper realizes a critical analysis of Mark Williams and co.'s theory on the attentional bias phenomenon in anxiety. From the two behavioral patterns postulated by the authors, only the first one seems to have a strong empirical support. More recent studies, using different and diverse stimuli and methods, show that, conversely, when confronting severe anxious stimuli, all subjects will show perceptual vigilance, not only the anxious ones; this aspect strongly contradicts the interaction hypothesis. Finally we'll present a qualitative metaanalyses on this topic.

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