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The Relationship between Neuropsychological Characteristics and Emotional Expressivity in Mood-Congruent Attention Bias

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Abstract

Despite research efforts to delve deeper into the cause of emotion dysregulation, still awaiting further clarifications are the conceptual correspondence between dispositional and observed facets of emotional expressivity, and its association with mood-congruent biased processing, a well-studied cognitive-affective phenomenon in the condition of depression. These emerge as key knowledge gaps in the current emotion research, especially considering the heterogeneous nature of depression vulnerability and the underexamined neural dynamic representation of emotional expressivity, limitations that are further exacerbated by the insufficient research focus on the non-clinical Chinese population. To this end, three studies were carried out within Chinese community adult cohorts with the objective to clarify the conceptual properties of dispositional and observed emotional expressivity in relation to emotion regulation difficulties, and their neuropsychological interactions in the contribution of mood-congruent attention bias.

About the Speaker

Sammi is a final-year PhD student in the Laboratory of Neuropsychology and Human Neuroscience of The University of Hong Kong, under the supervision of Professor Tatia M.C. Lee. She obtained her B.Sc. in Psychology from University College London. Her current research interests lie in the expression and regulation of emotions. She is motivated to understand the relationship between aspects (e.g., psychological and behavioural) of emotional expressivity and their potential interplay with neuropsychological underpinnings underlying emotion regulation difficulties. Equally intrigued by psychological theories, she hopes to scrutinise the field of clinical psychology and neuropsychology through both research and clinical perspectives, and consider frameworks that appreciate the heterogenous profiles of emotion dysregulation, in an effort to improve screening and management of mental health conditions.

Zoom Meeting (For participants who couldn't attend the Seminar in person)

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