Construction of the ‘Other’: Development, Consequences, and Applied Implications of Racism, Prejudice, and Discrimination

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Our historical era has witnessed the explosion of overt racism and other versions of both explicit and implicit exclusionary behaviors, manifested in individual and group behaviors, daily practices, policies, and even armed conflicts against the “other” and “outgroups”. These “out-groups” can be based on class, race/ethnicity, religion, birthplace, gendered behaviors, sexual orientation, ability, and other sociocultural characteristics. We also know that these categories are socially constructed and that for many individuals and groups, intersectionality creates even more risk. As we strive for inclusion, diversity and pluralism around the world, fundamentalist reactions to exclude the “other” appear commonplace. This special topic meeting will highlight research from a wide variety of interdisciplinary perspectives to understand how prejudice and discrimination is developed, socialized, or manifested; the consequences of growing up in marginalized groups; and, the promising policy and intervention programs that can help prevent the development of prejudice or buffer the effects of marginalization.

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