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Propositions

Accompanying the dissertation

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Eveline E. Schippers, April 22, 2024

1. Sexual deviance seems malleable, to some extent. (*this dissertation*)
2. Emotions can increase sexual arousal to deviant stimuli. (*this dissertation*)
3. A lack of sexual interest in “normative” stimuli seems related to deviant sexual interests. (*this dissertation*)
4. The incentive motivational model is a useful framework to explain sexuality from both a general as well as a forensic point of view. (*this dissertation*)
5. Because various deviant sexual interests often coexist, they can be combined in a broad approach of sexuality, requiring caution and respect in order not to stigmatize.
6. Sexual deviance is common, therefore, in a statistical definition, “deviance” is not an appropriate term.
7. Impulsivity seems malleable, to some extent.
8. Sexual boredom may cause novelty seeking and more diverse sexual behaviors. – de Oliveira et al. (2021)
9. The term “sexual deviance” represents a societal moral rather than an objective phenomenon.
10. “Can people with pedophilia change?: Yes they can!” – Fedoroff (2018)
11. If you can’t explain it simply, you don’t understand it well enough. – Attributed to Albert Einstein