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Scientists say they have discovered the difference in a brain signaling pathway that makes boys more autistic than girls.

"A particularly interesting aspect is the imbalance of autism, which affects boys more than girls with a 4: 1 ratio," said Ted Abel from the University of Iowa in the US. said in a statement.



Abel said: " *We do not understand what this disorder is that makes boys more autistic .*"

This bias may also occur in other neurodevelopmental disorders, such as hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) and specific language disorders.

Nearly 1 in 200 autism cases is caused by the deletion of a piece of DNA on a particular chromosome in the body and this type of disorder is also known as a copy number variant (CNV).

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