

What do we think about when we think about psychopathy?

CAPP validation by prototypicality analysis

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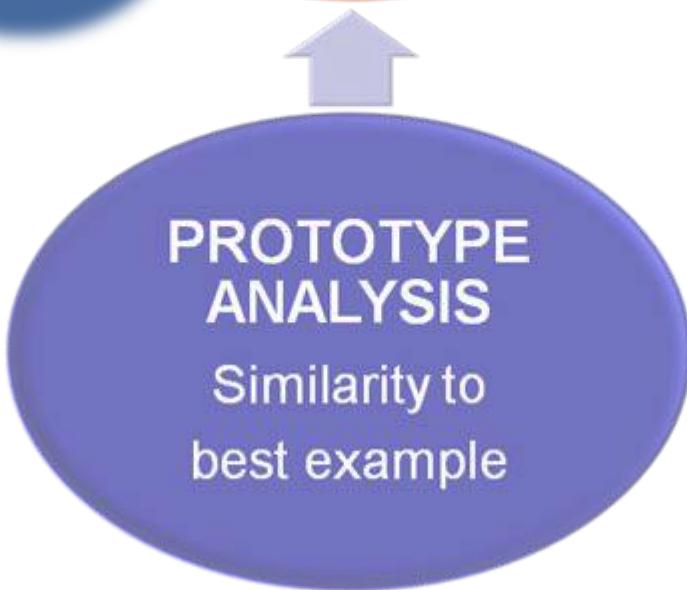
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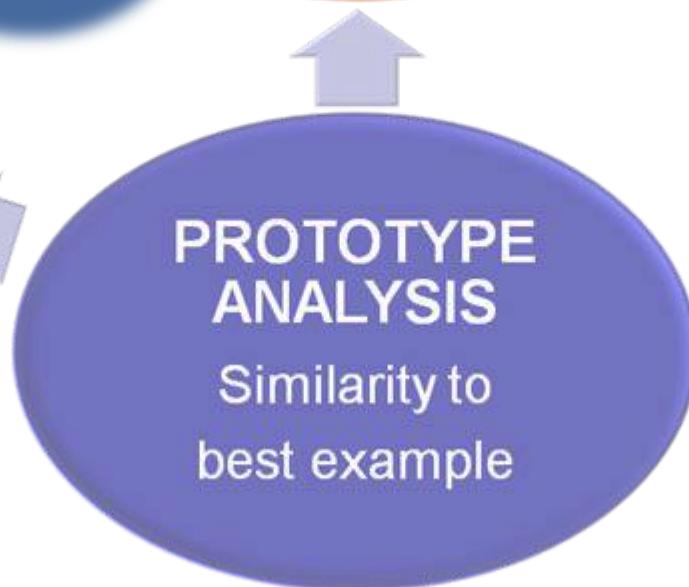


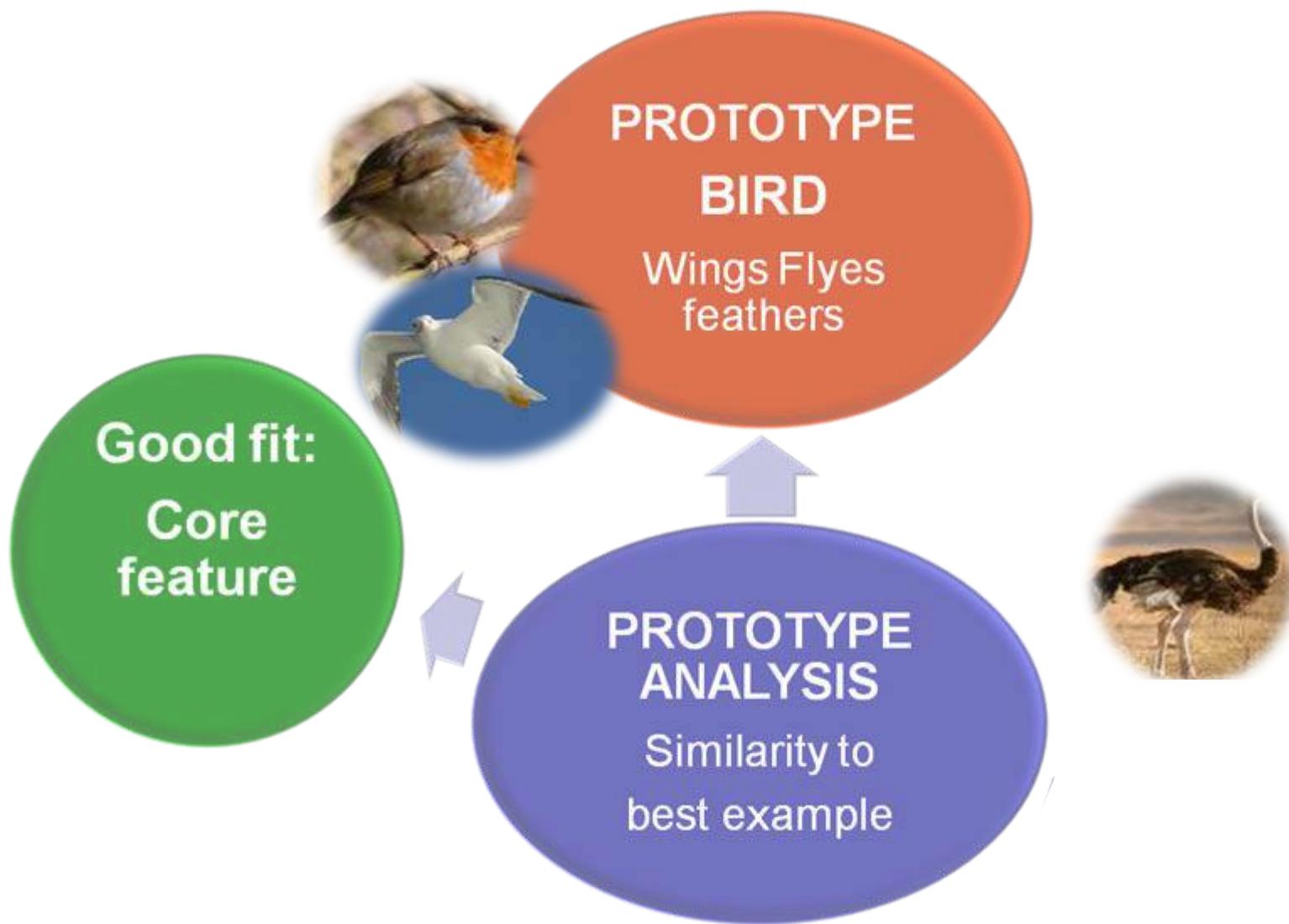
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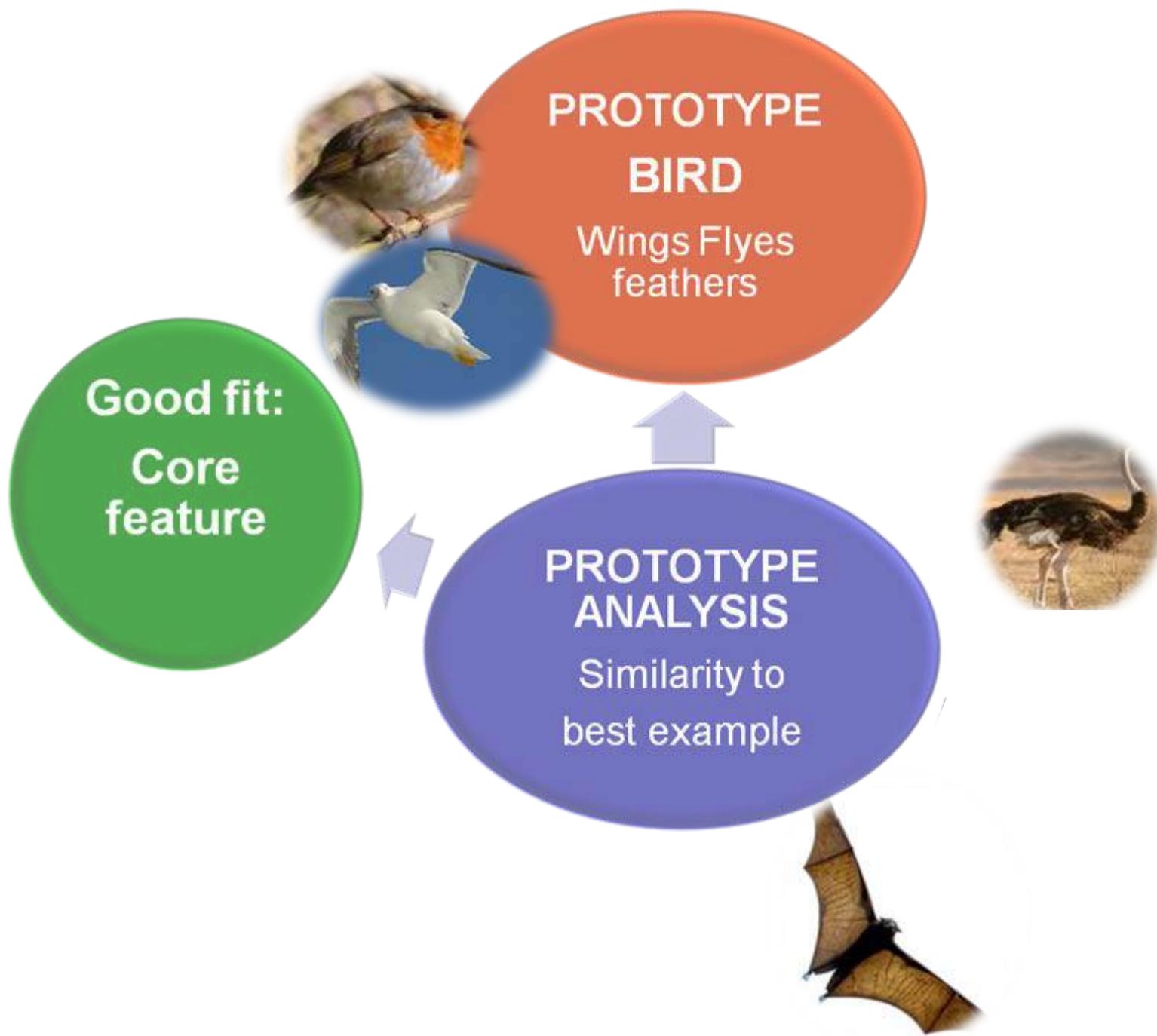
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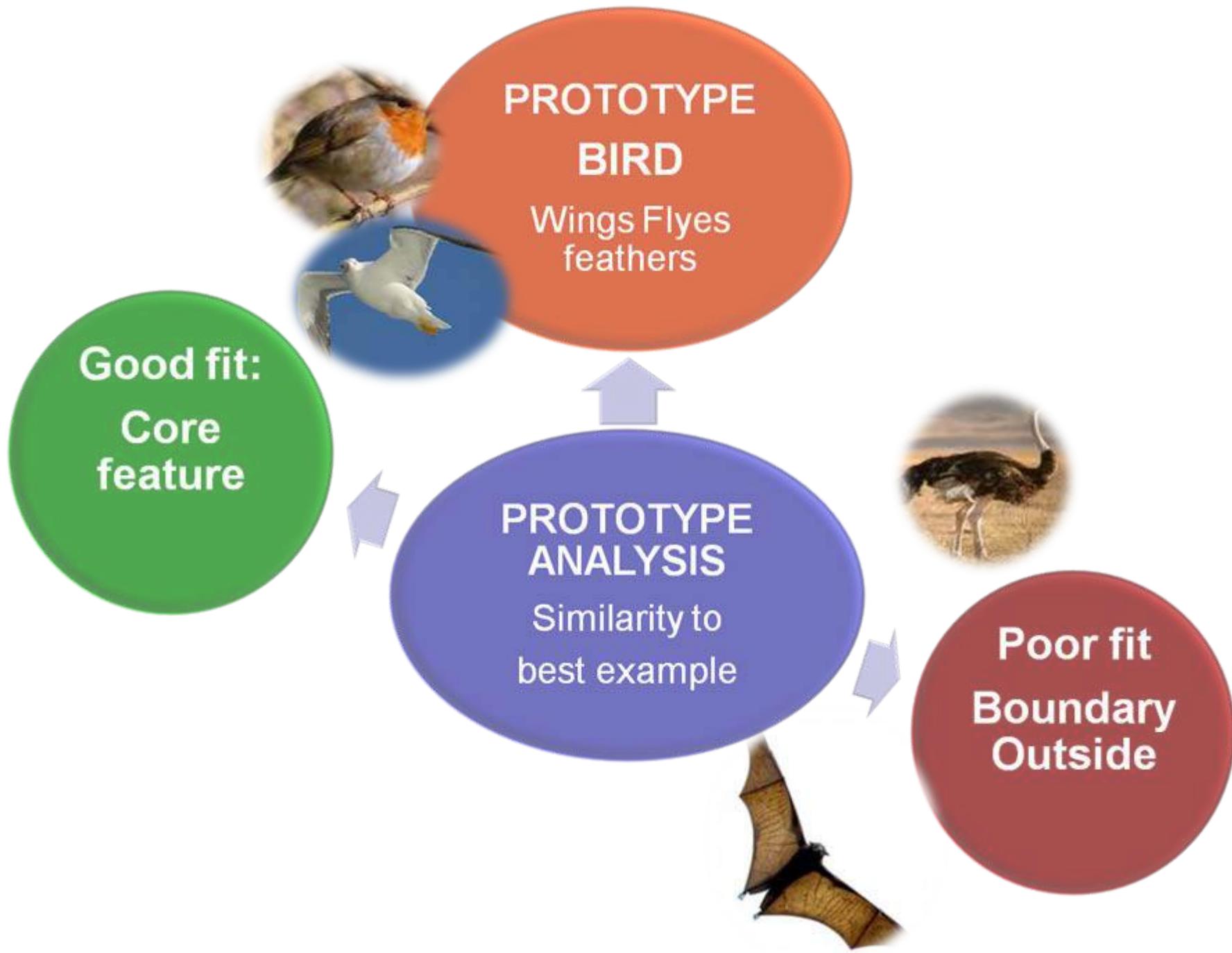
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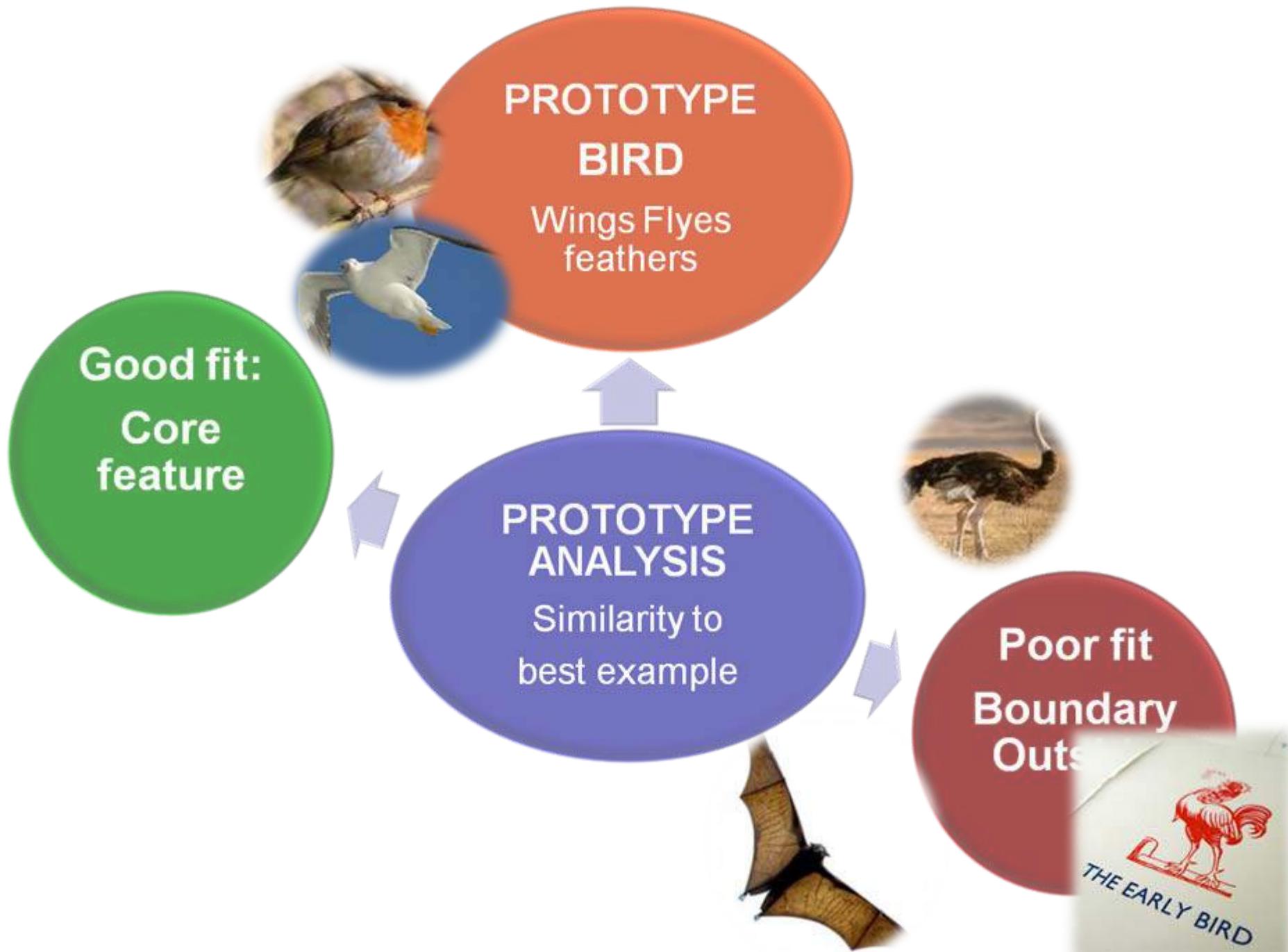




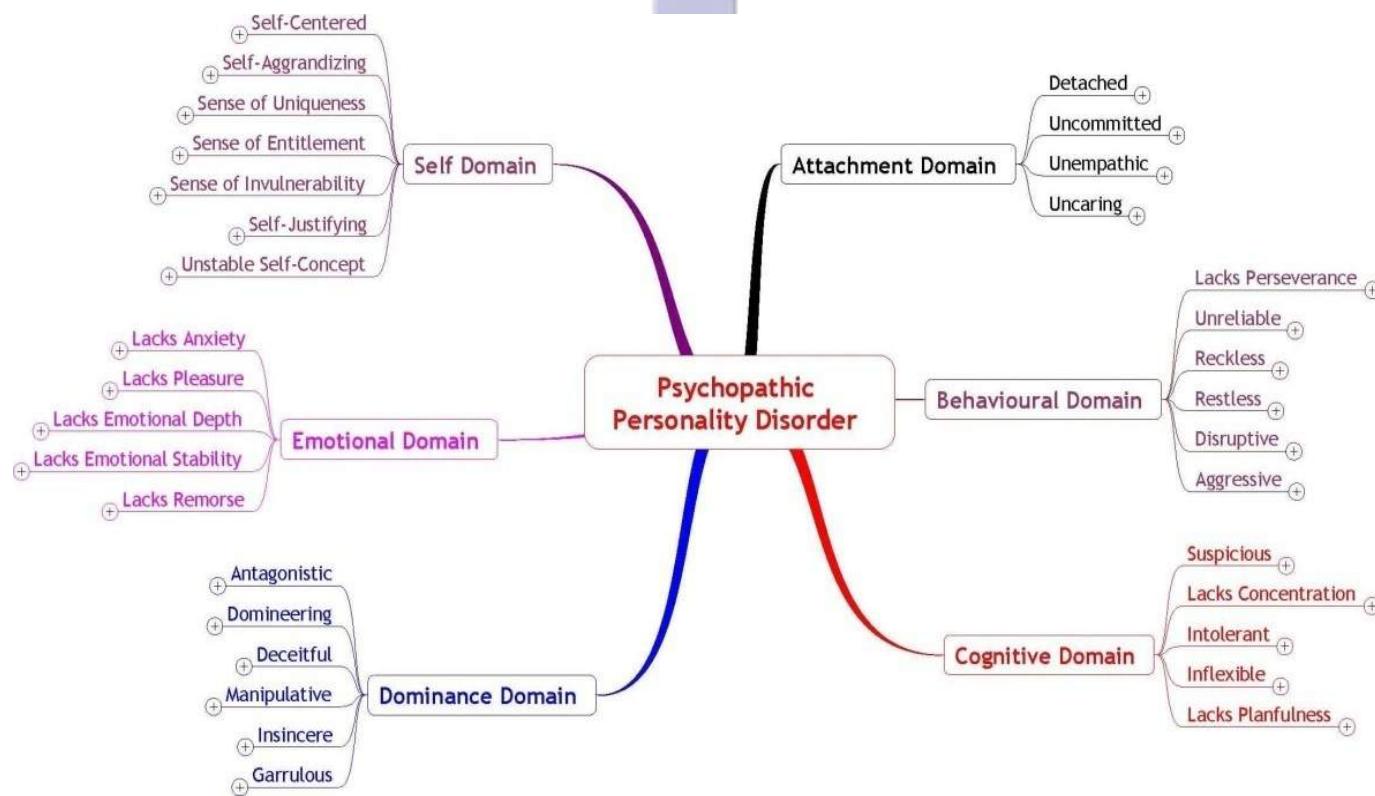








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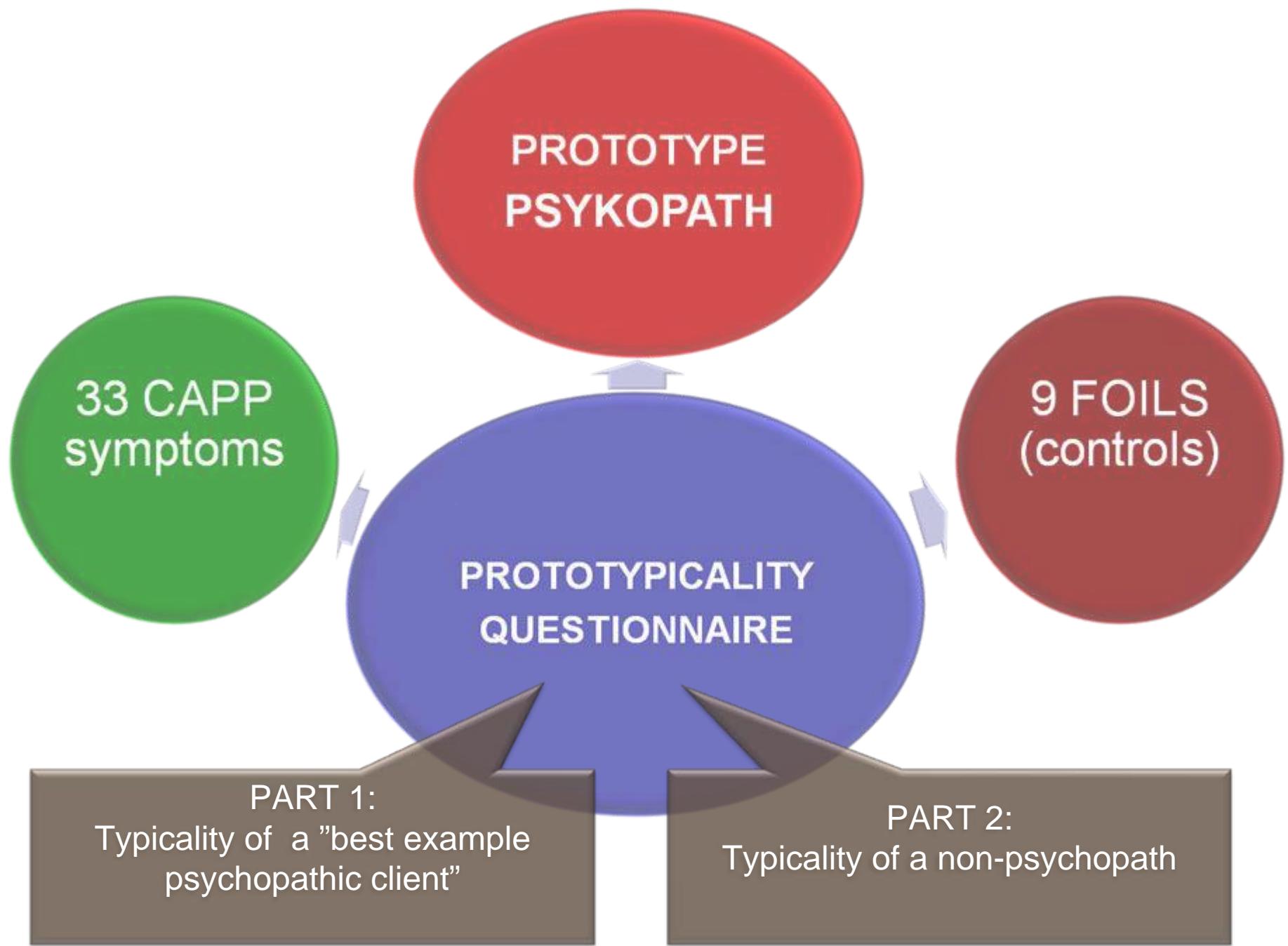


PROTOTYPE
PSYKOPATH

33 CAPP
symptoms

9 FOILS
(controls)

PROTOTYPICALITY
QUESTIONNAIRE



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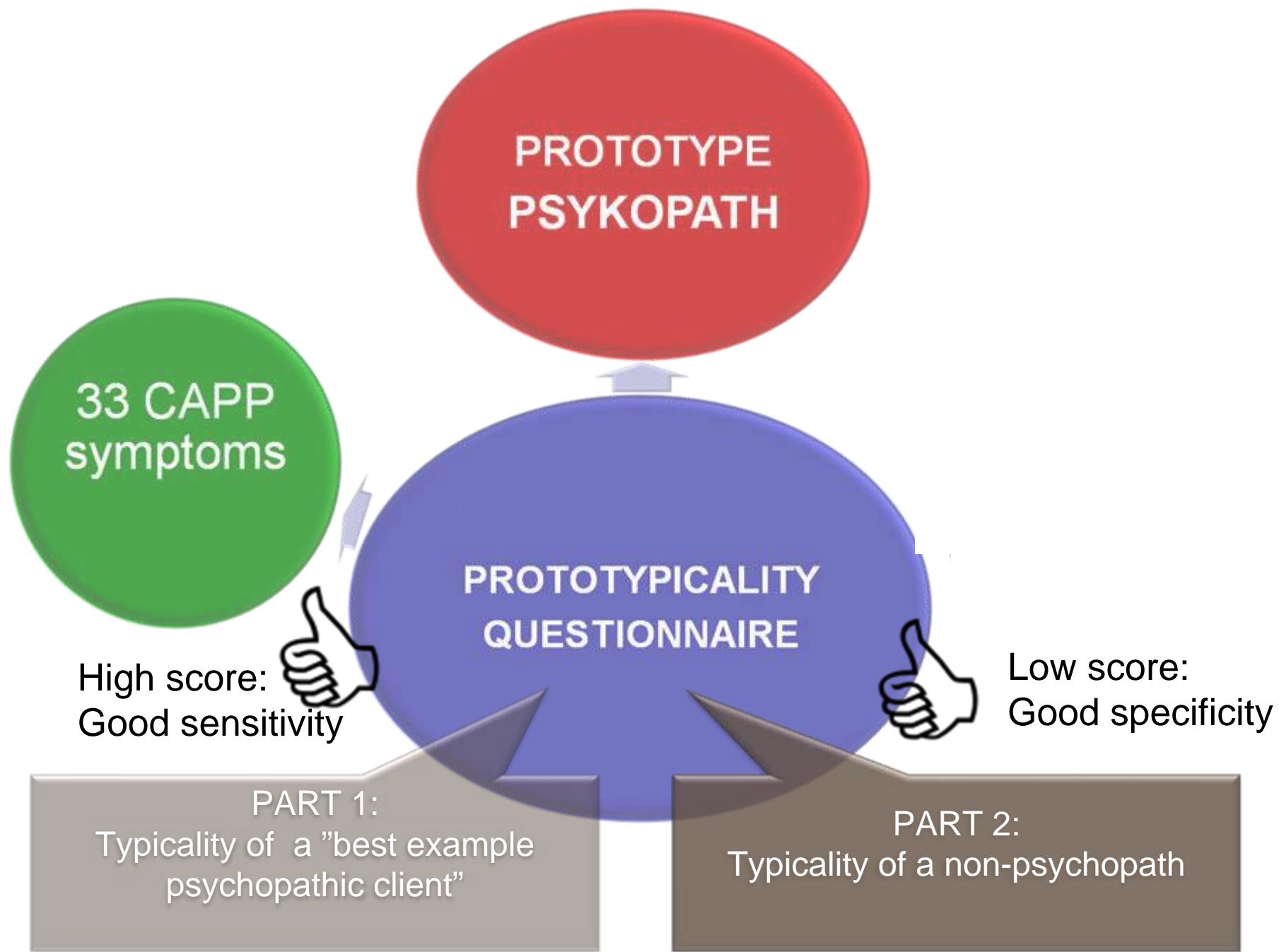
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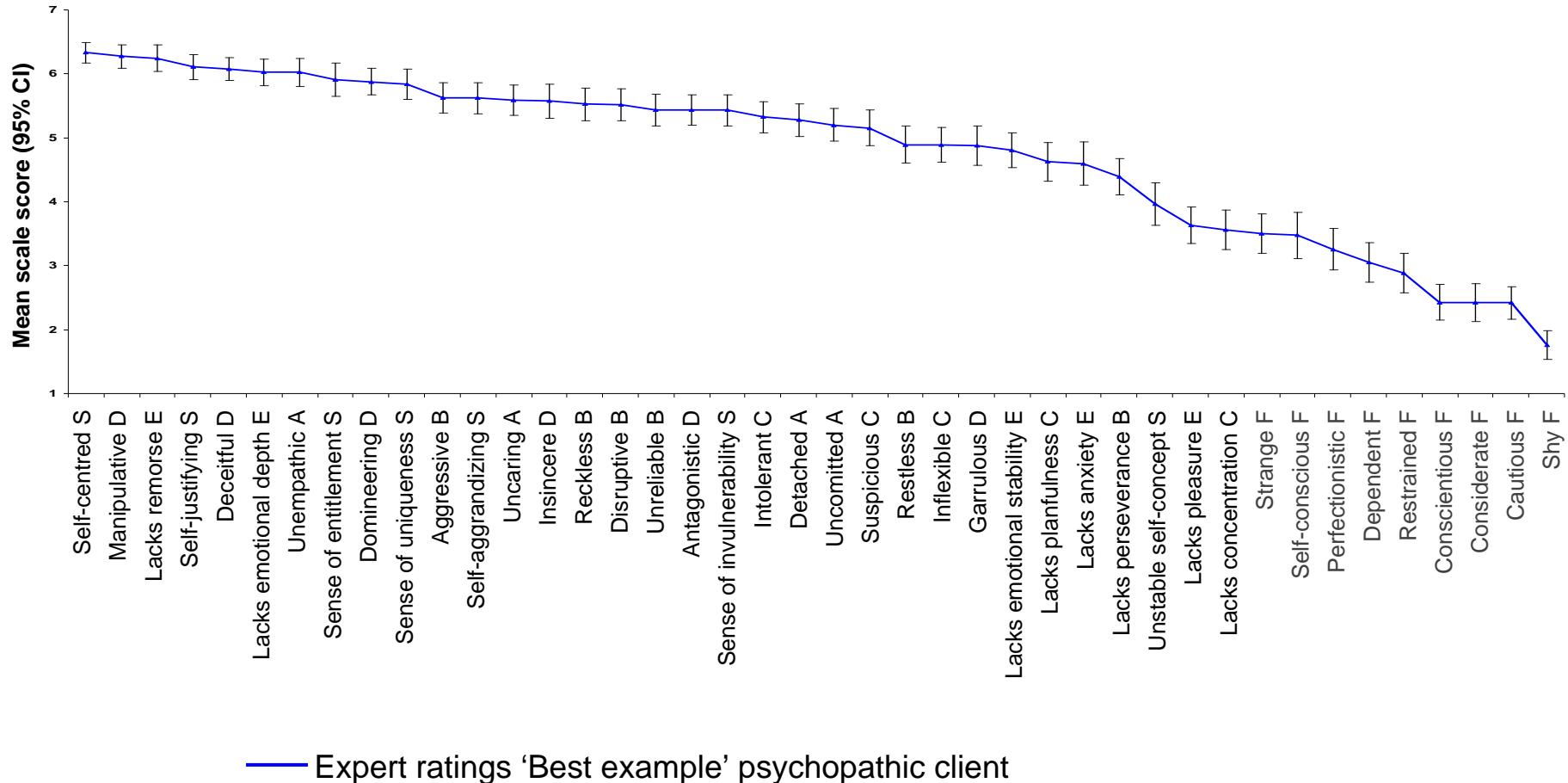
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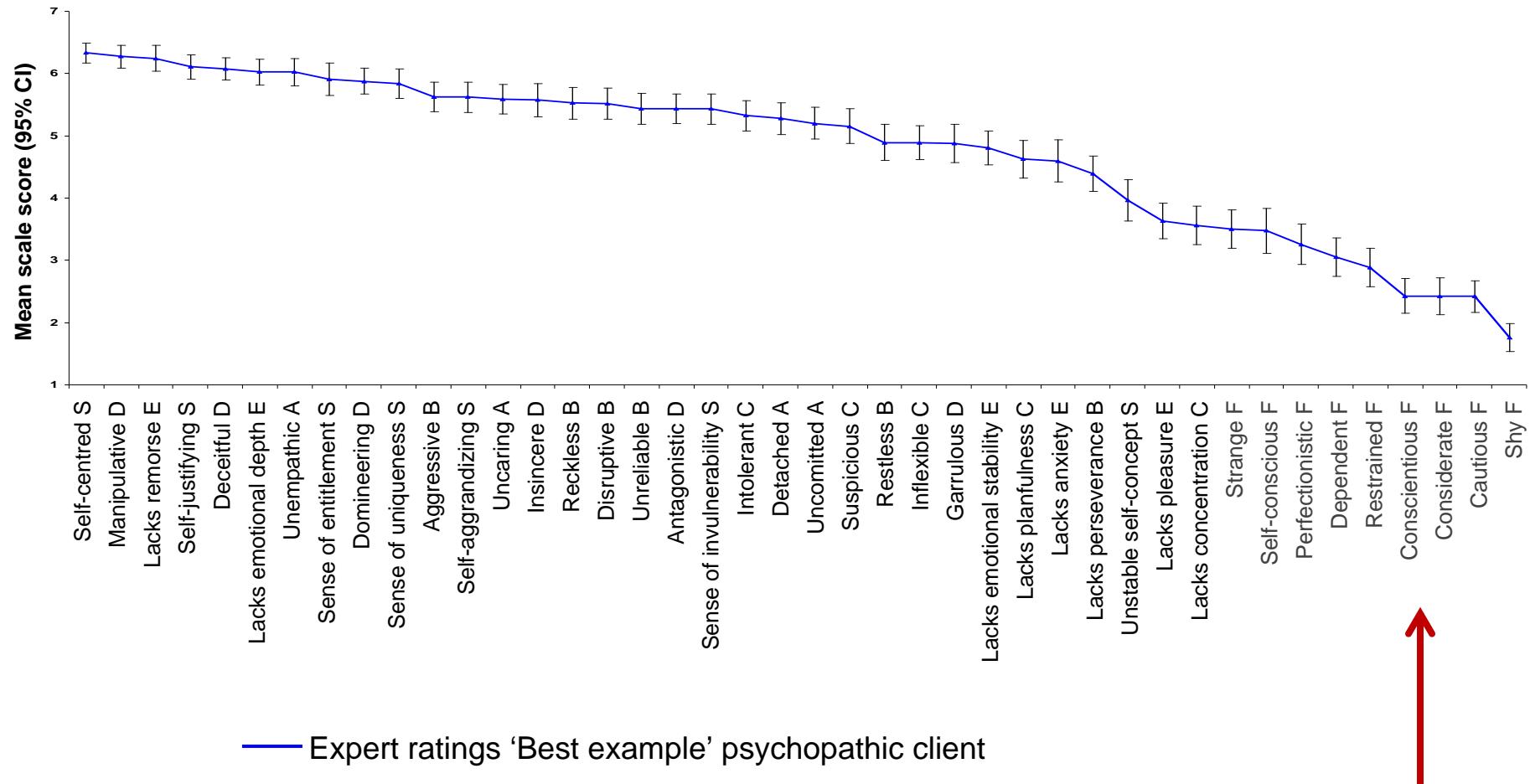
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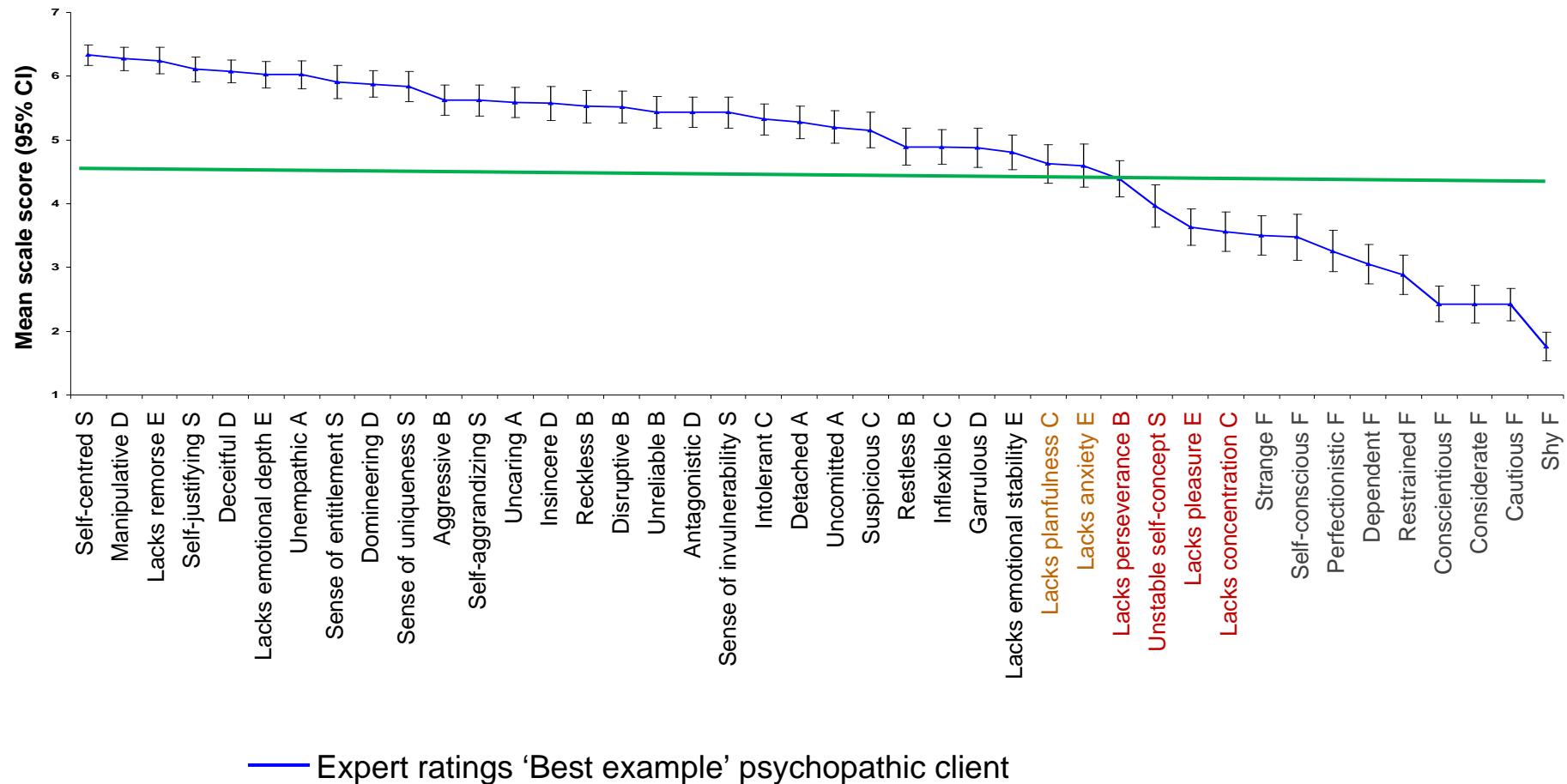
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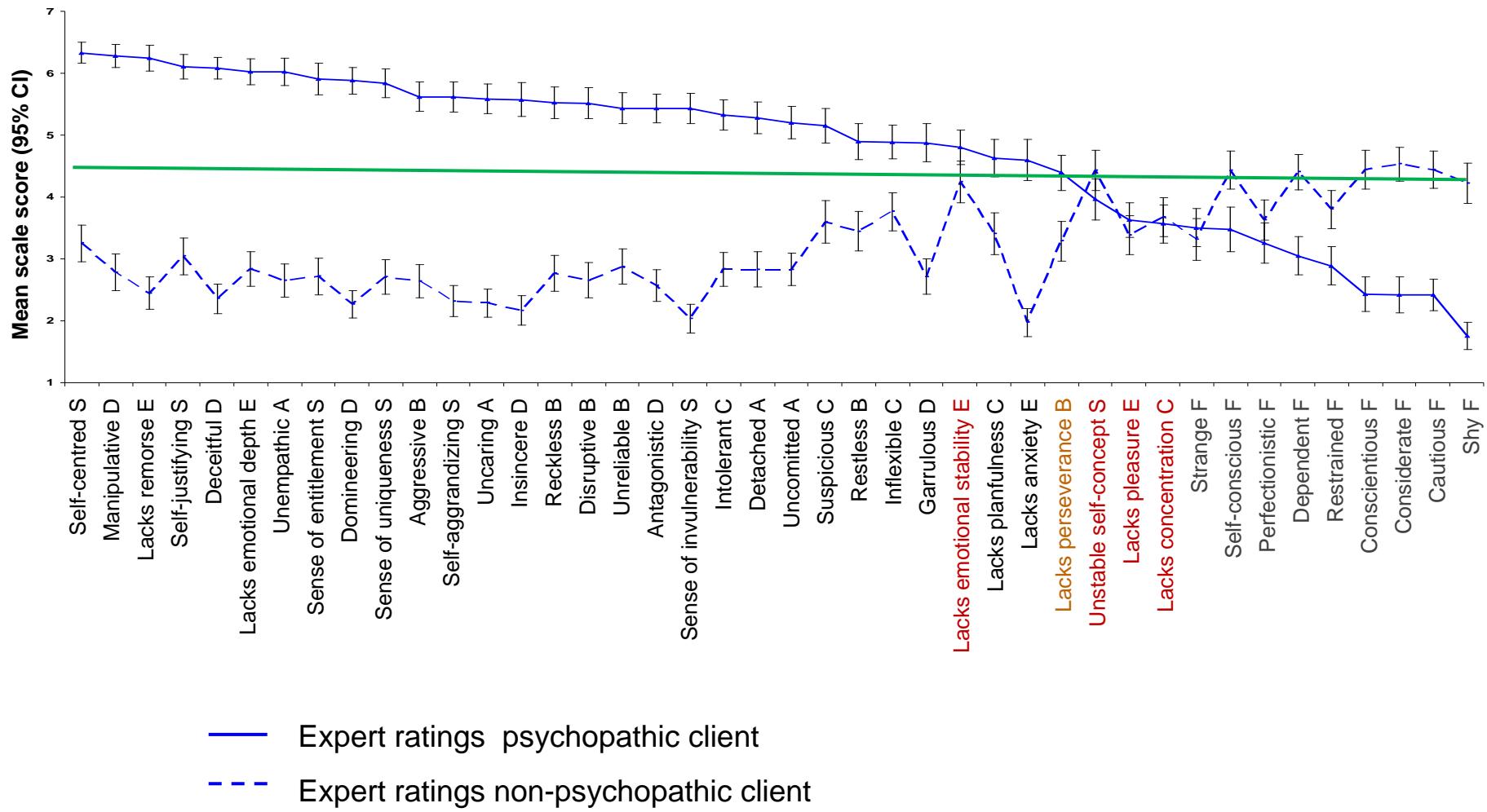
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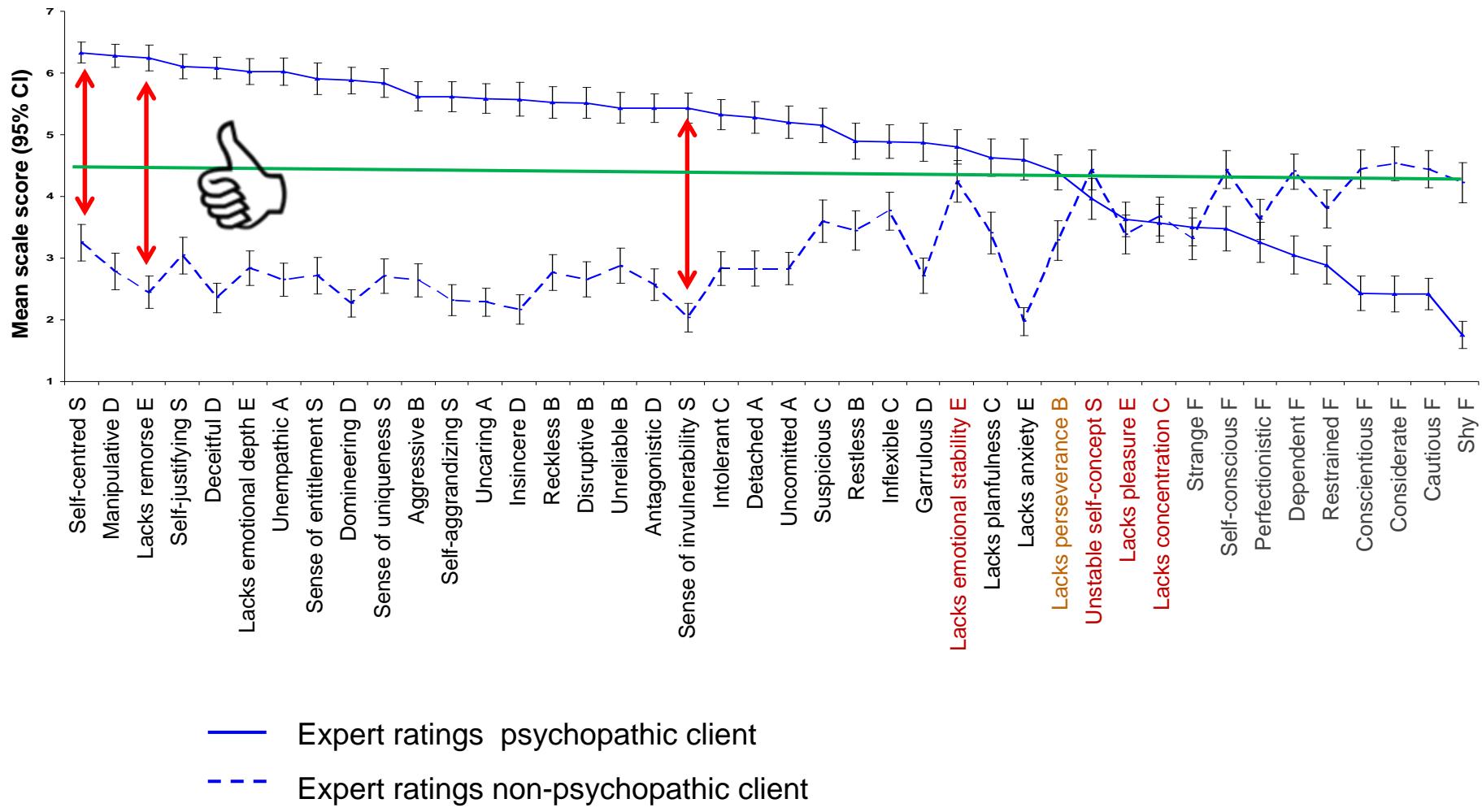
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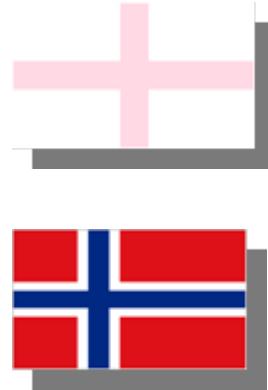


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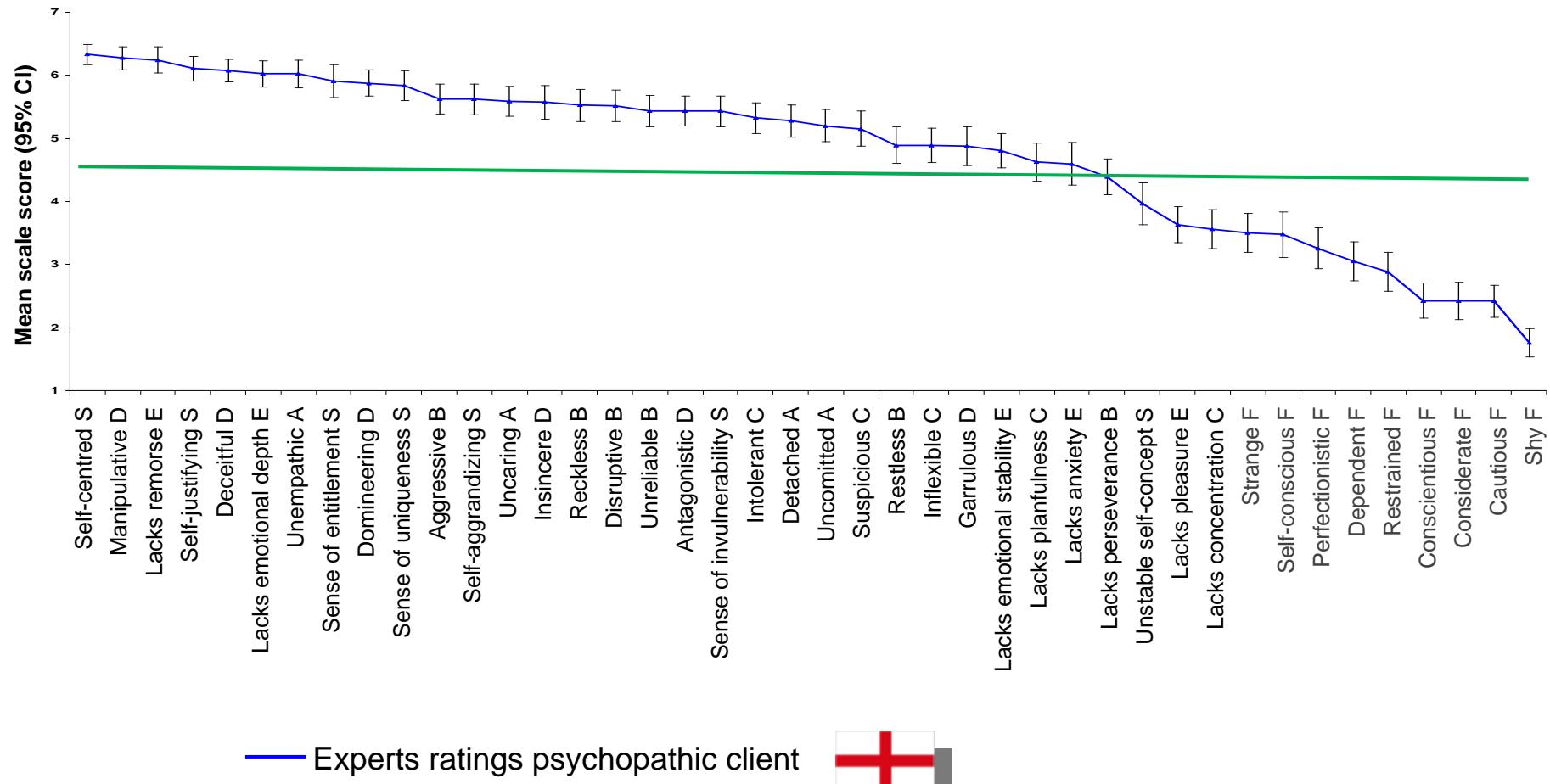
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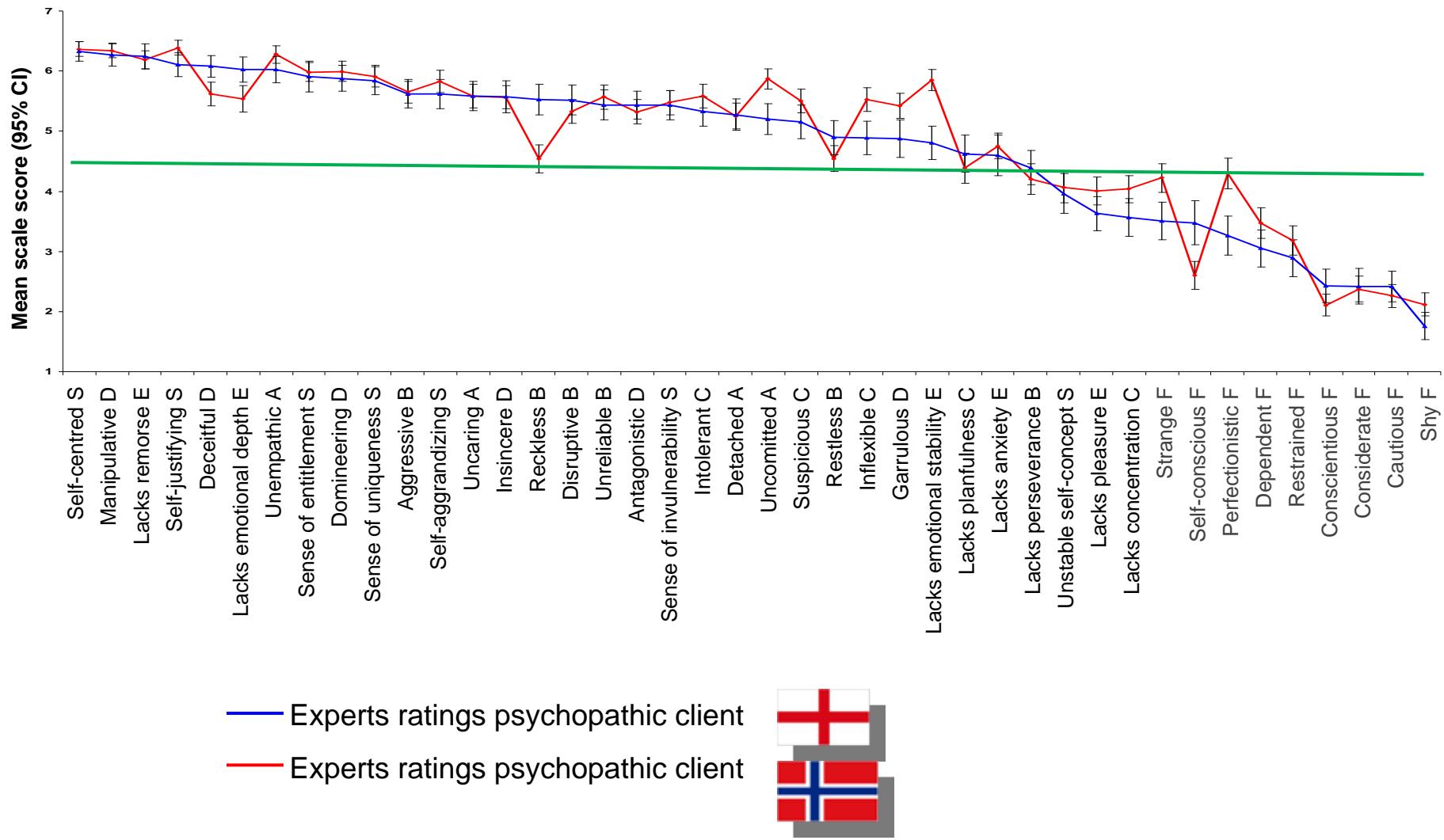
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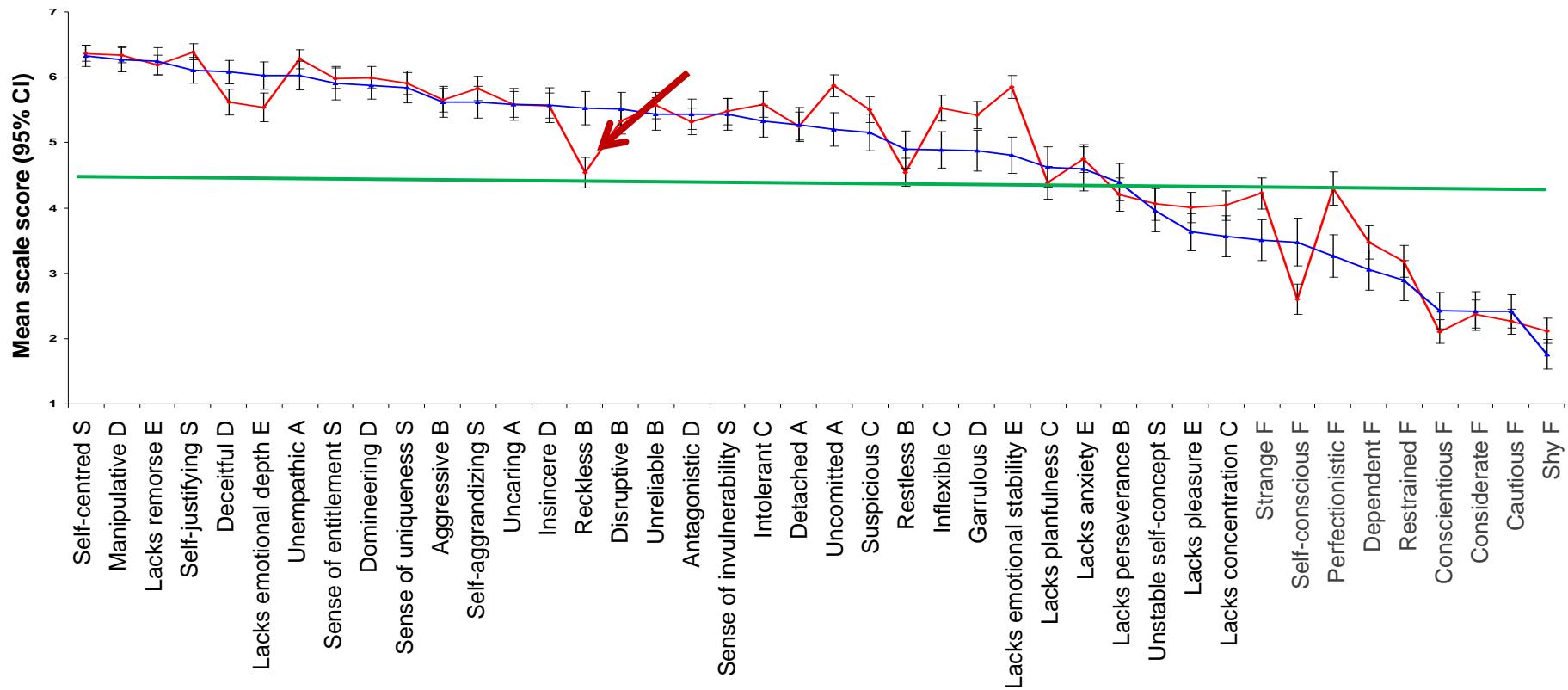
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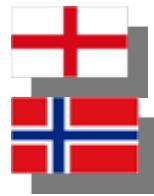
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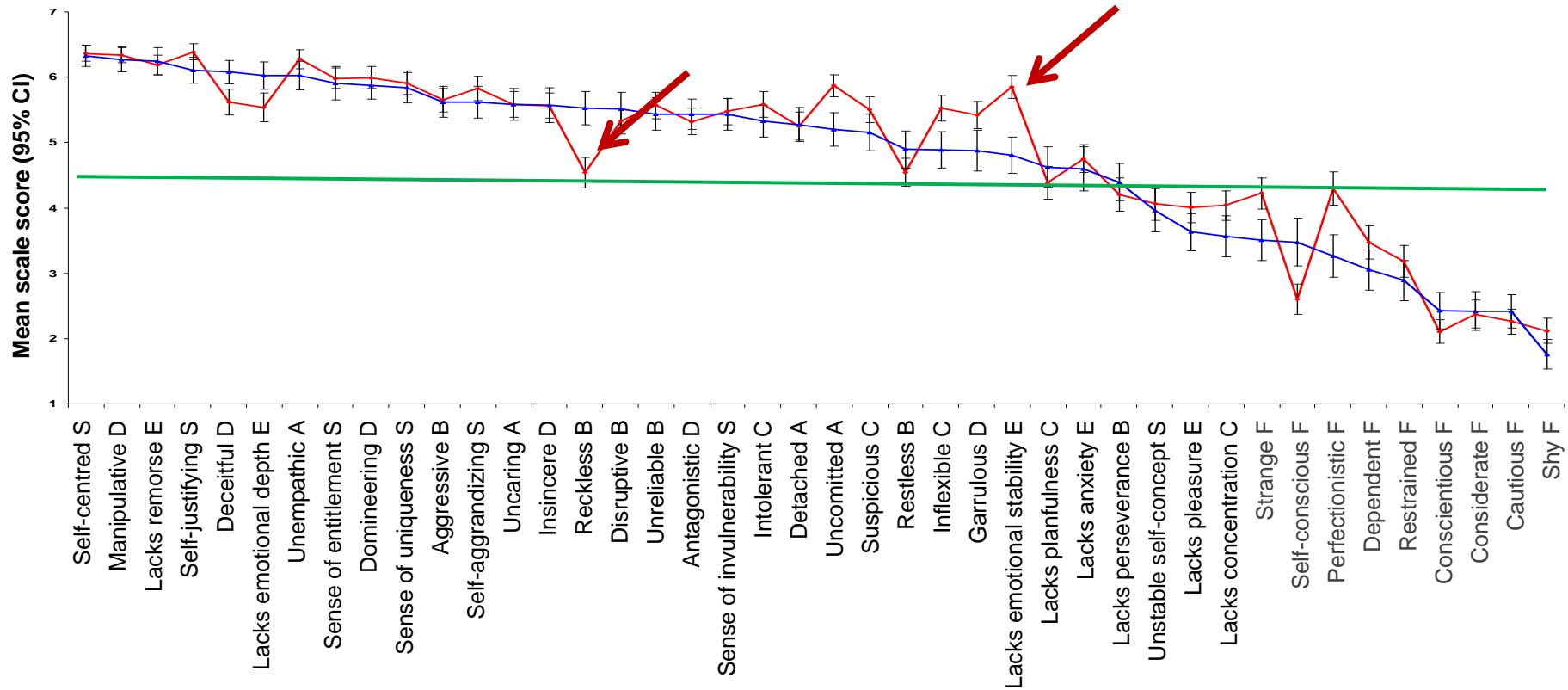
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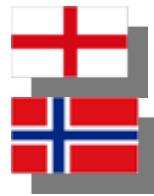
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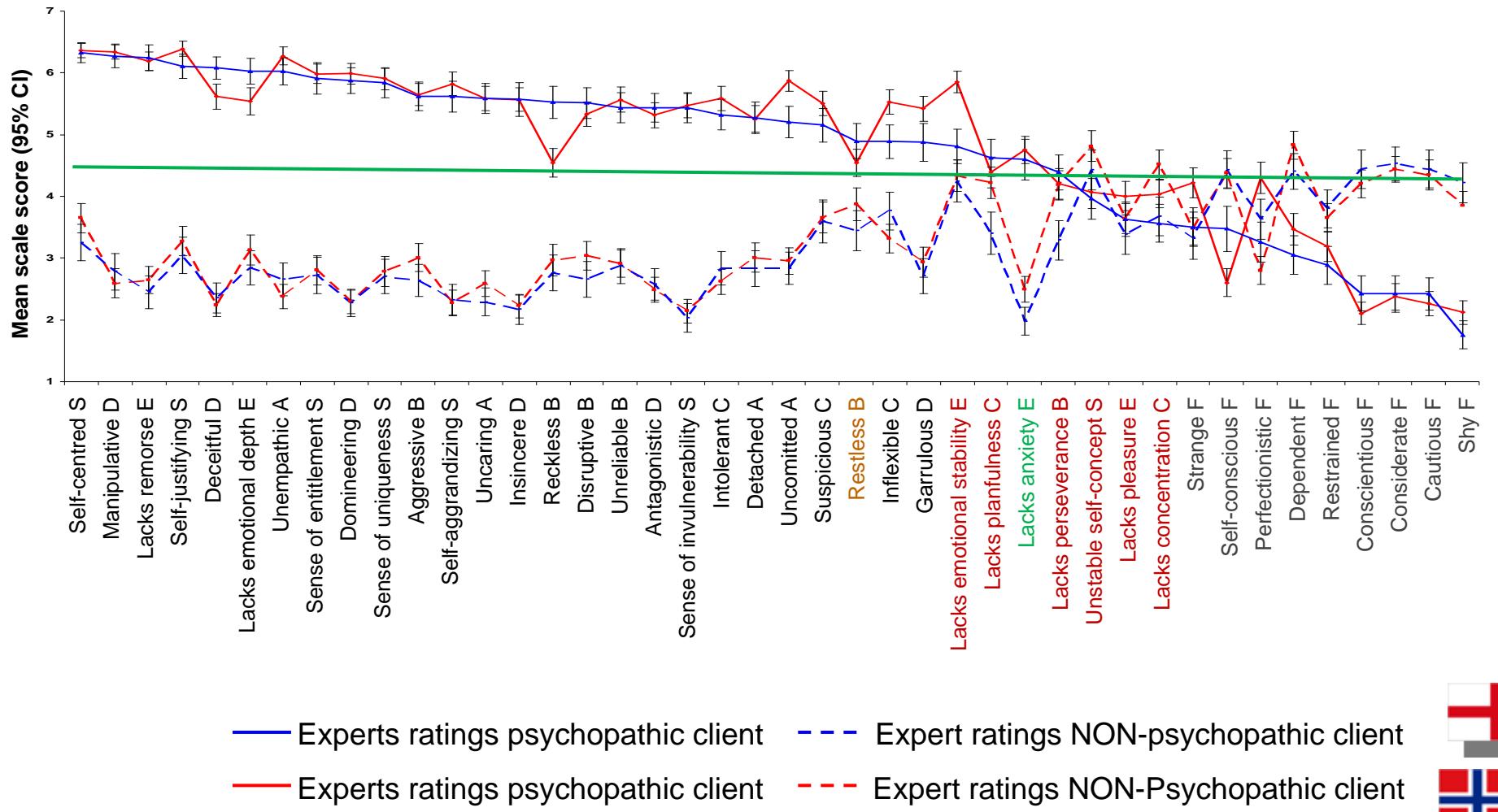
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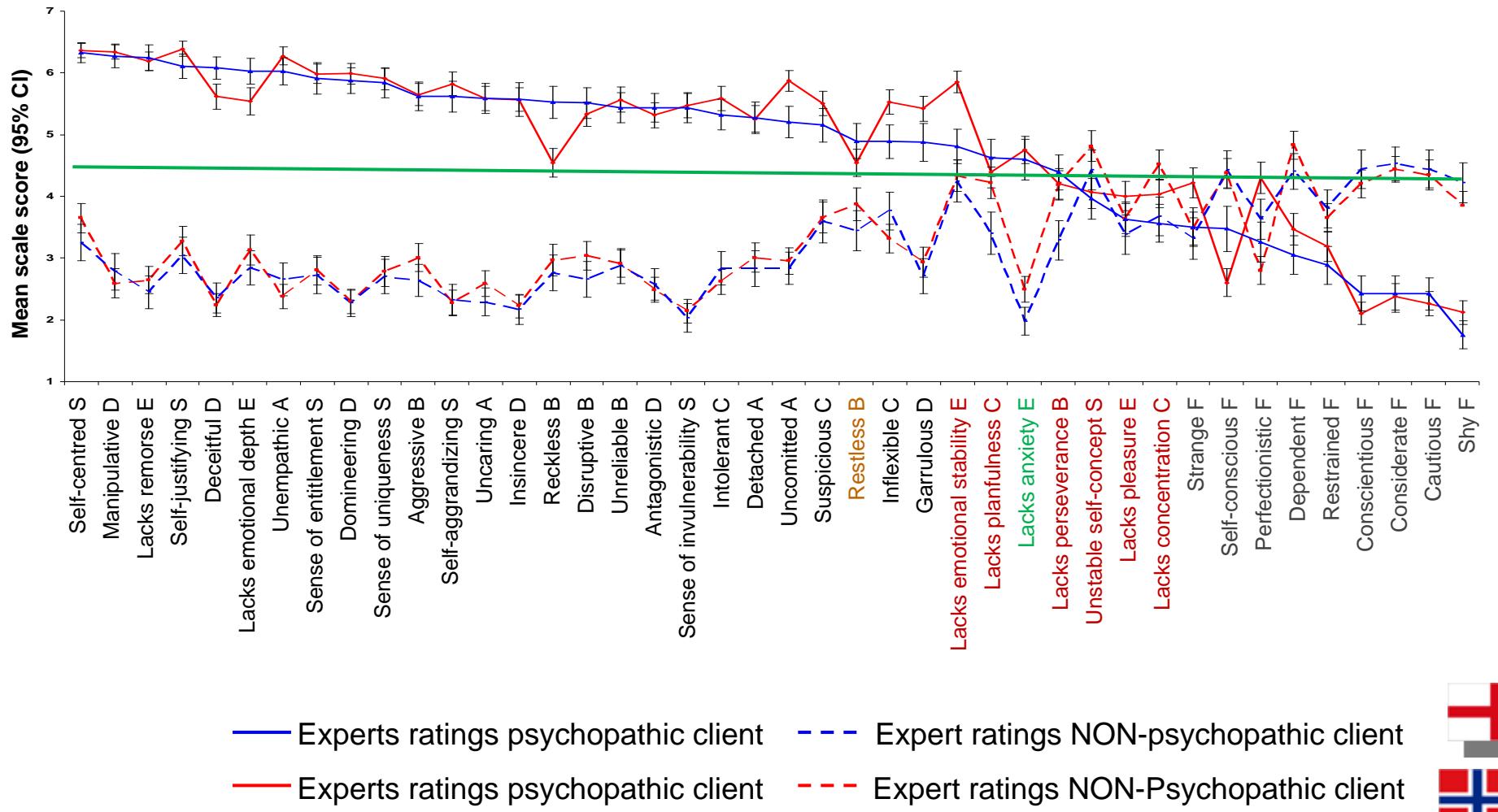
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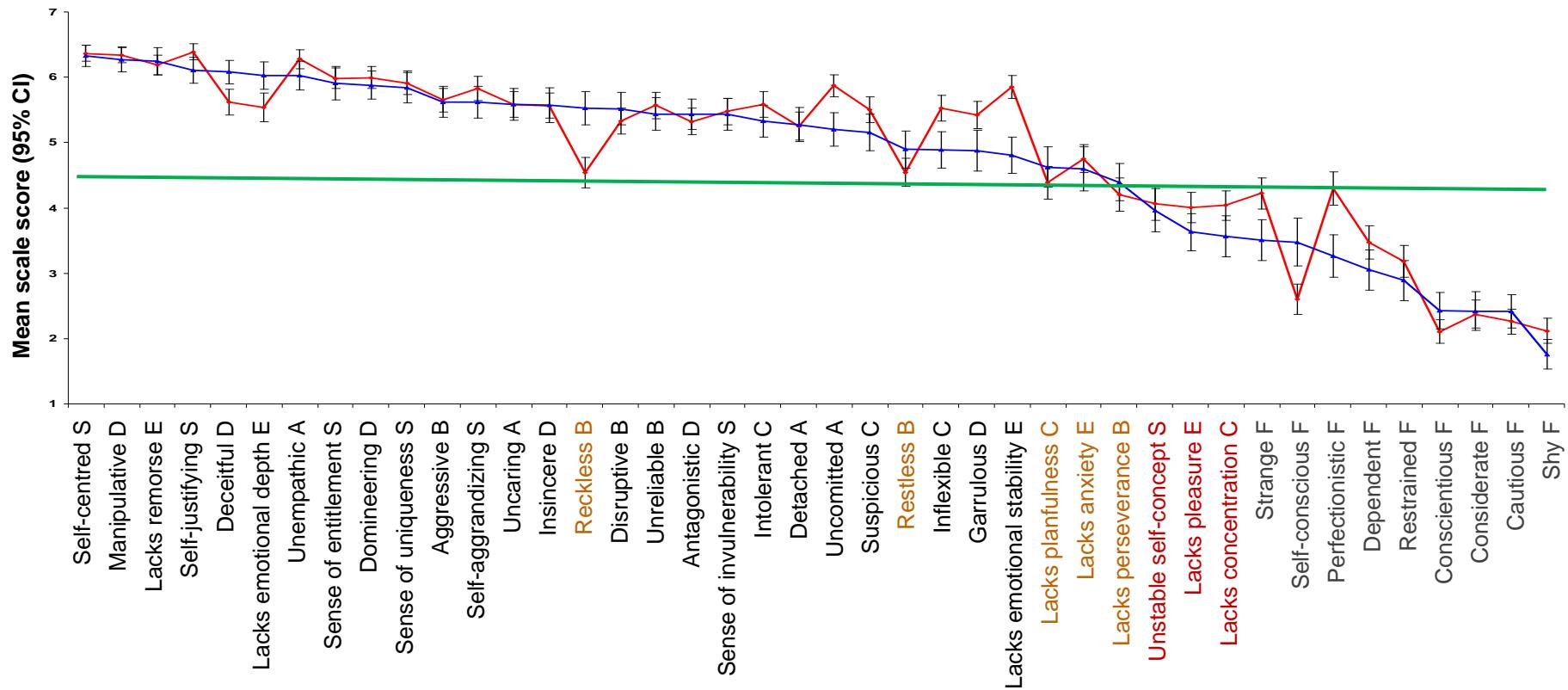
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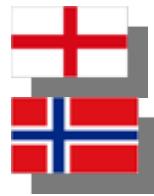


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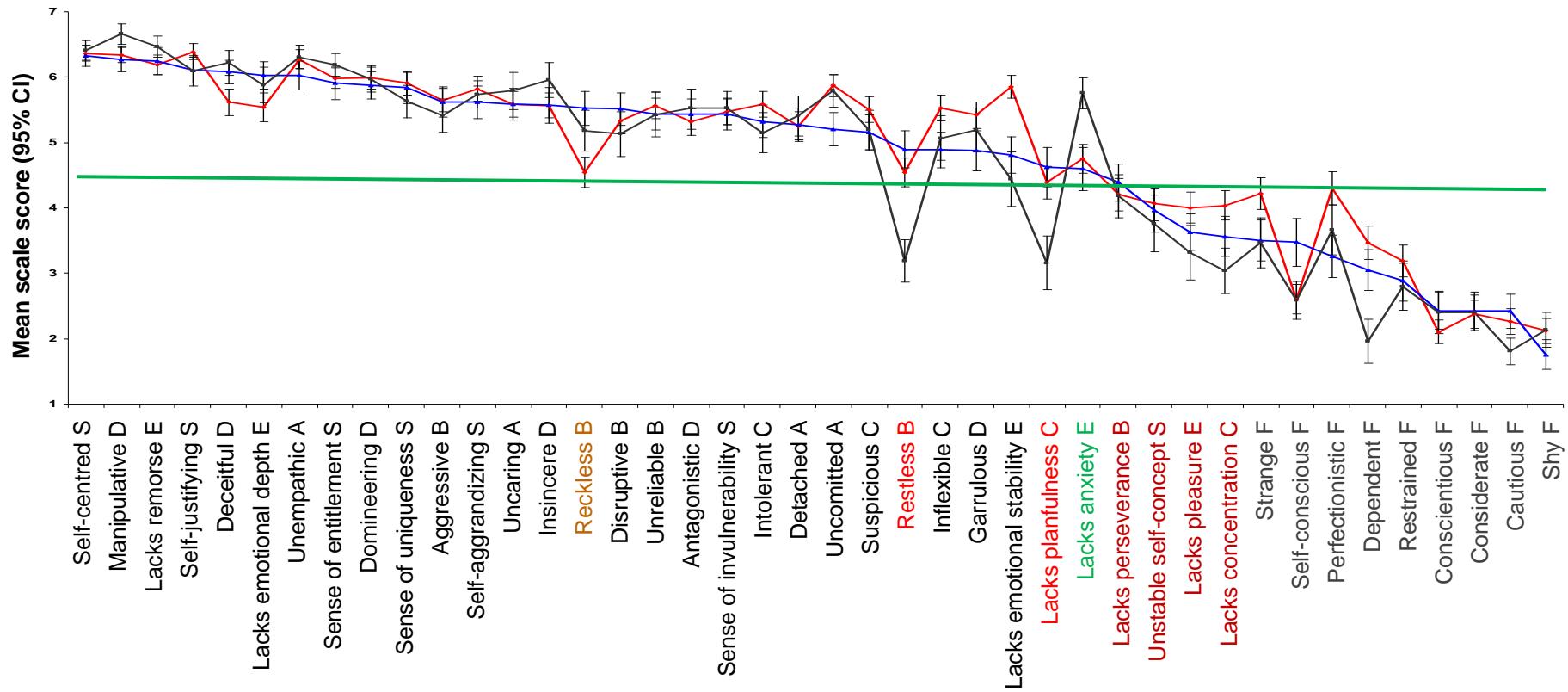
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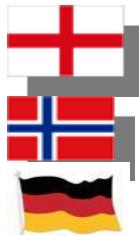
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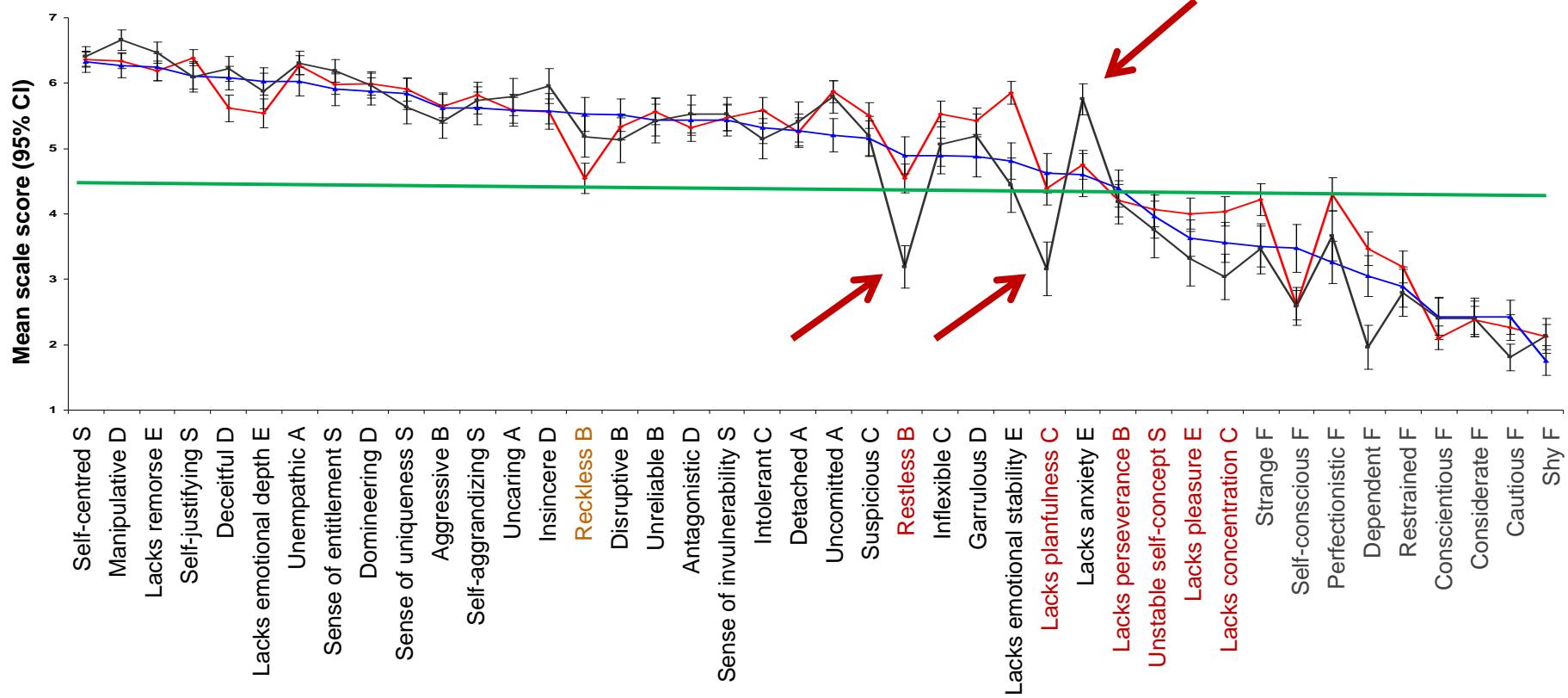
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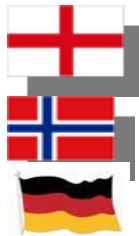
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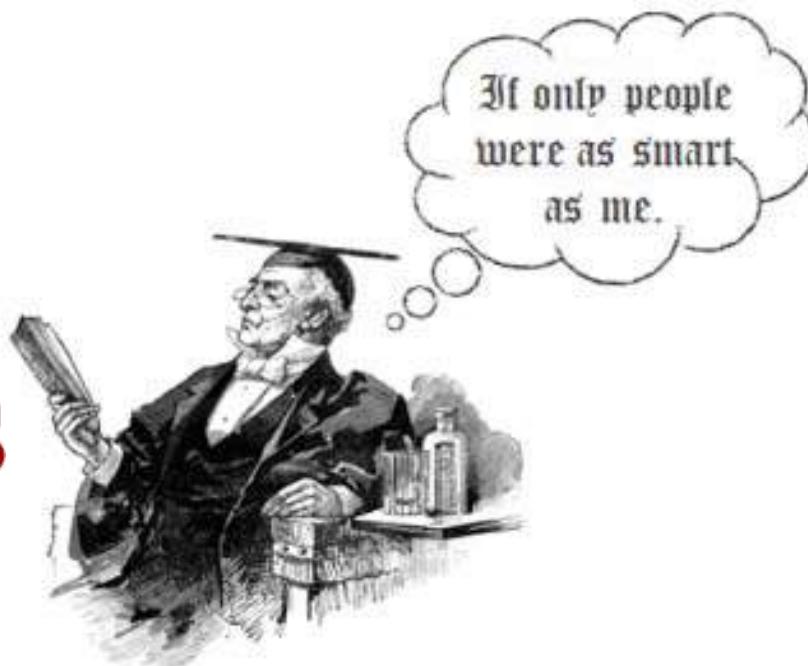
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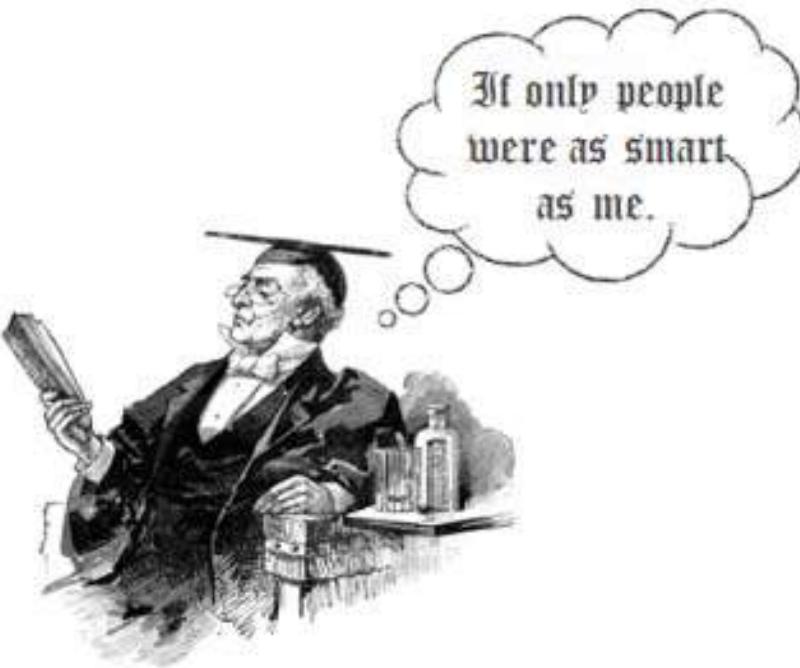
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"prototypical analysis of clinical constructs as a measure of validity is not constrained to mental health professionals" (Rogers et al, 1992)

In accord with the lexical approach to personality



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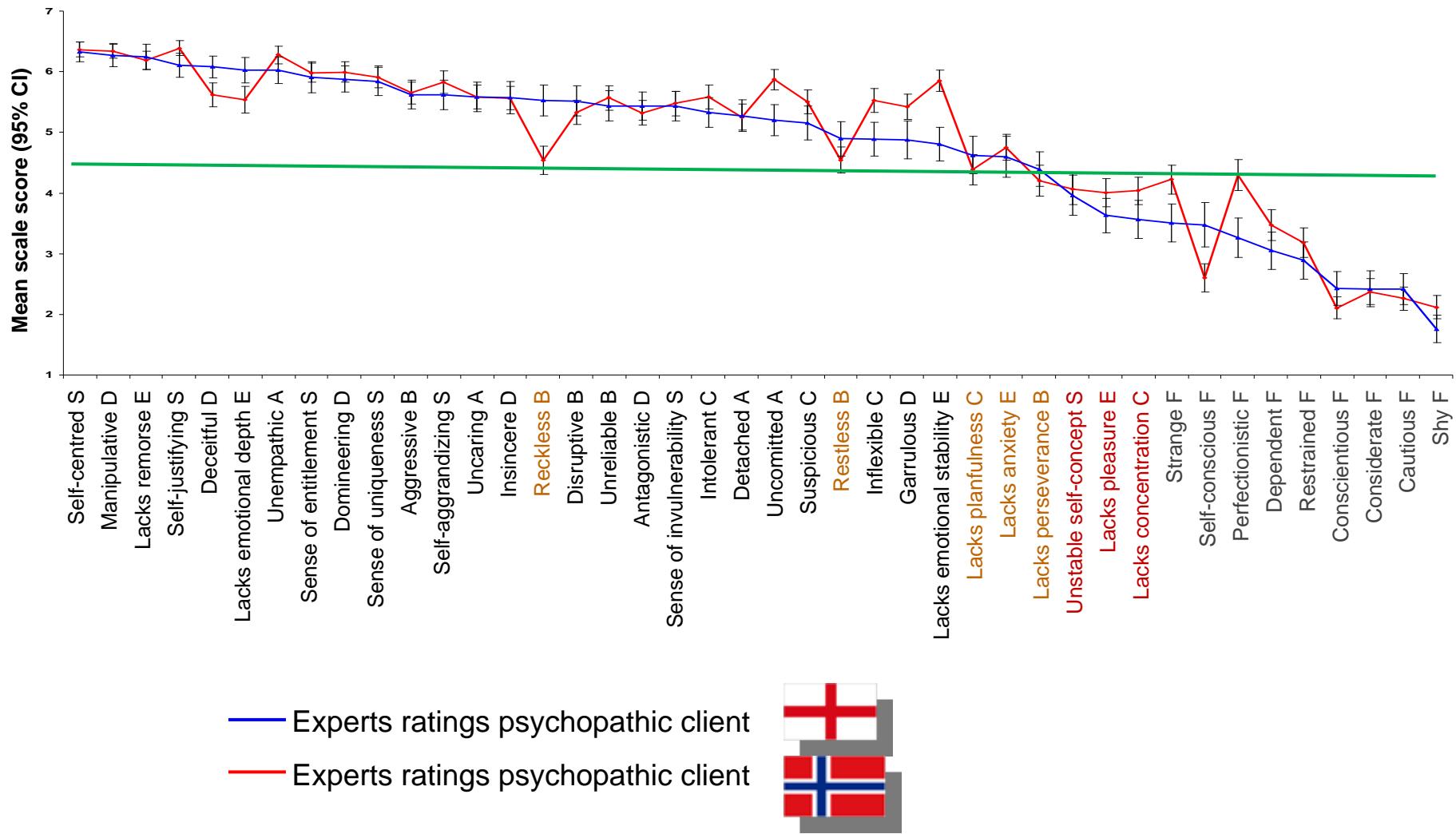
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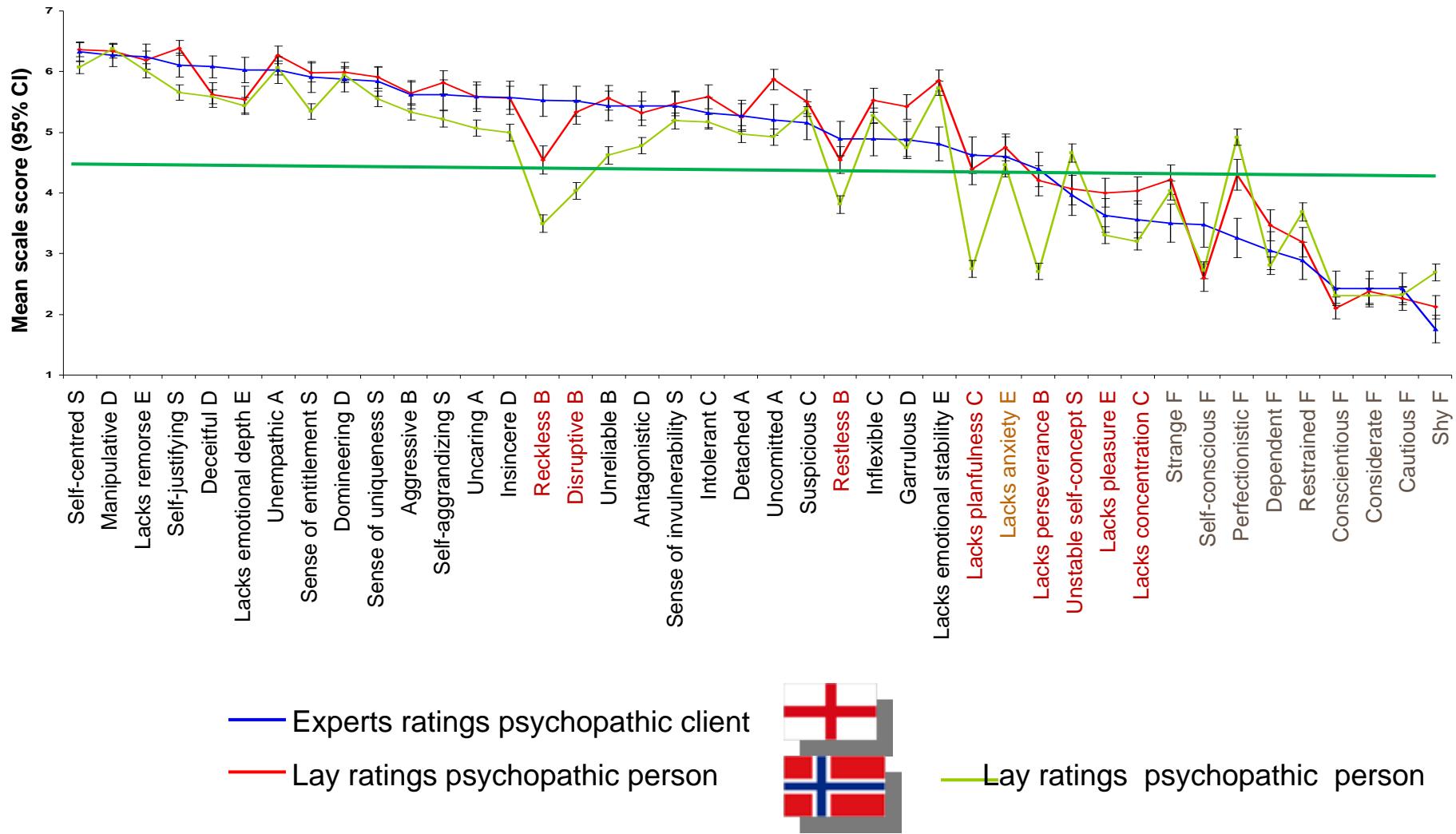


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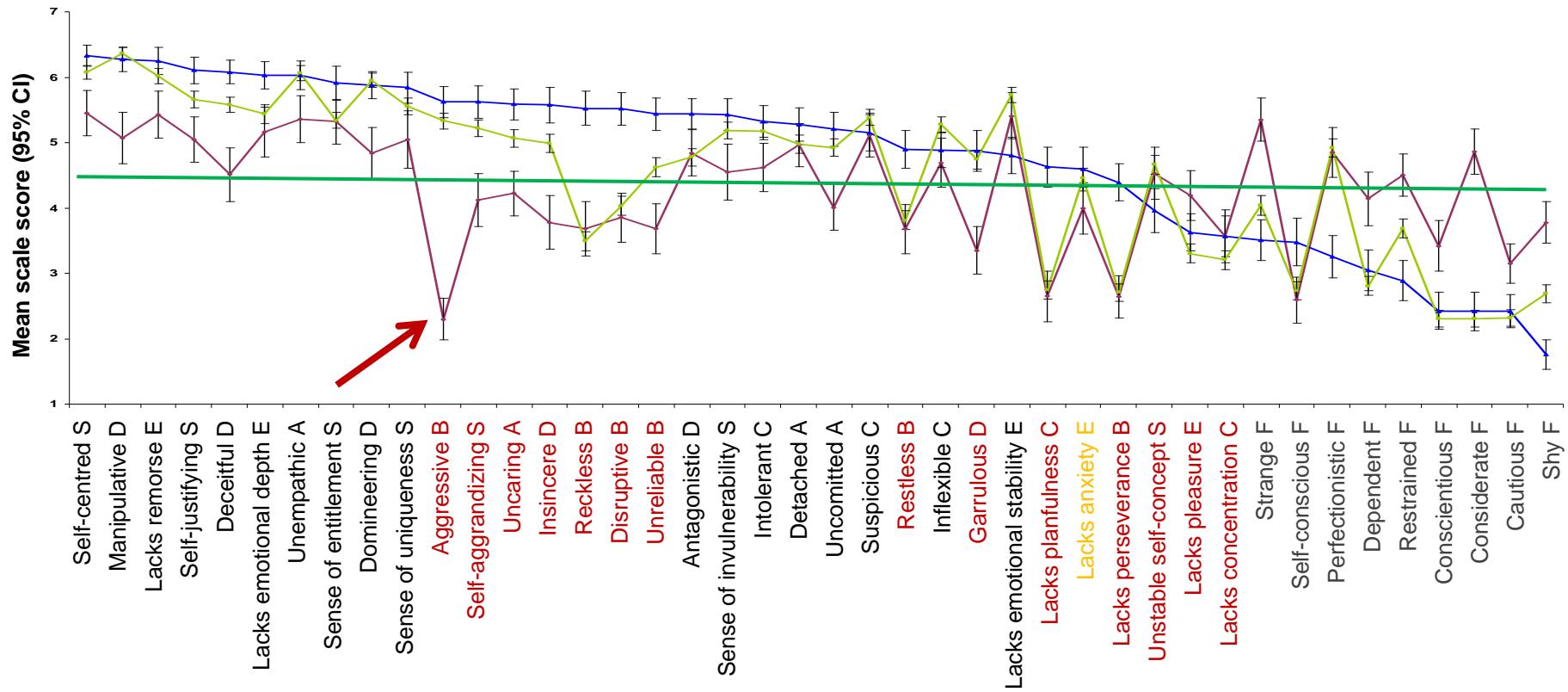
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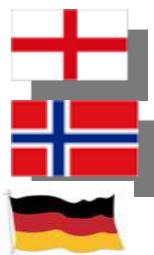
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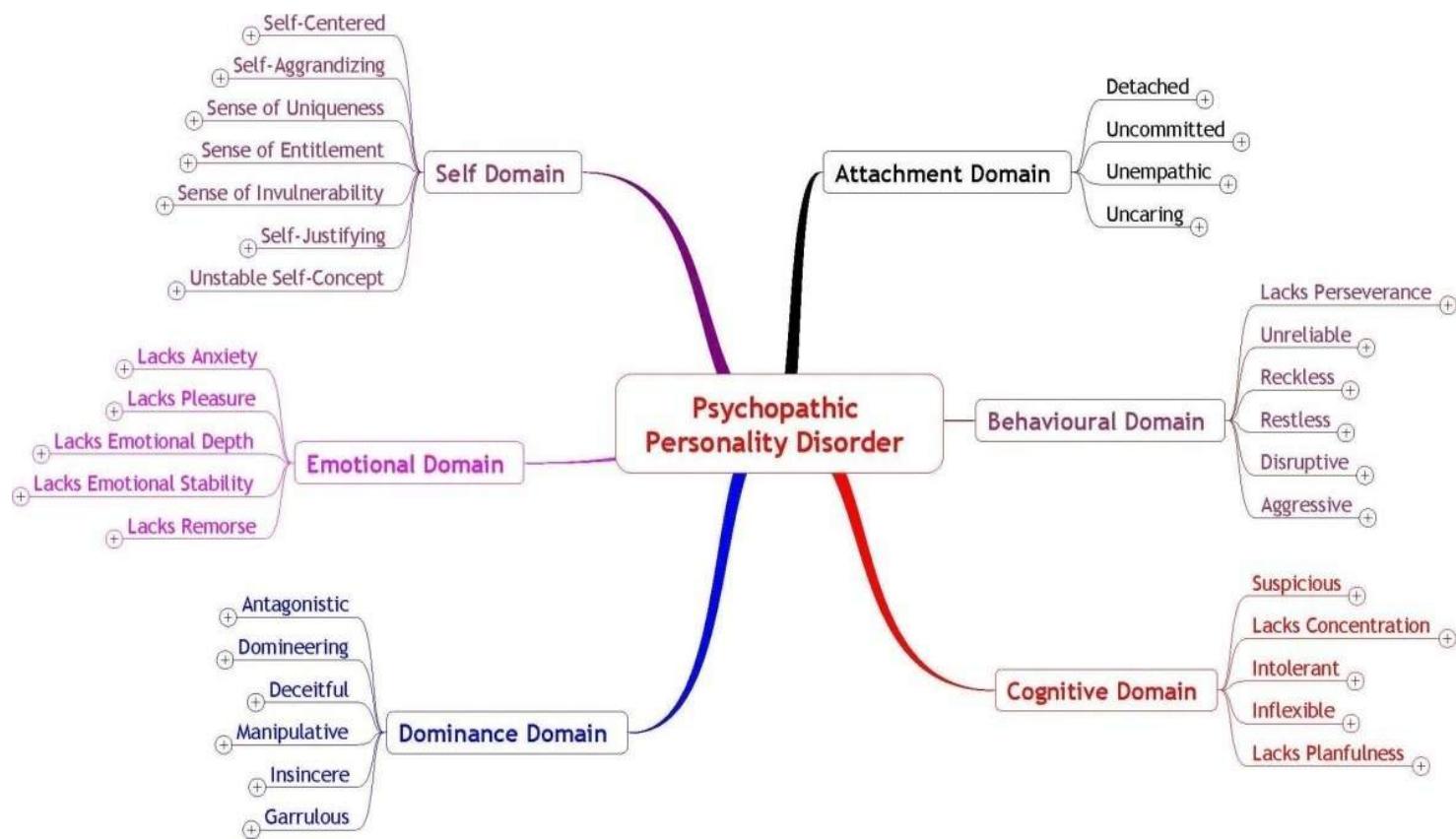


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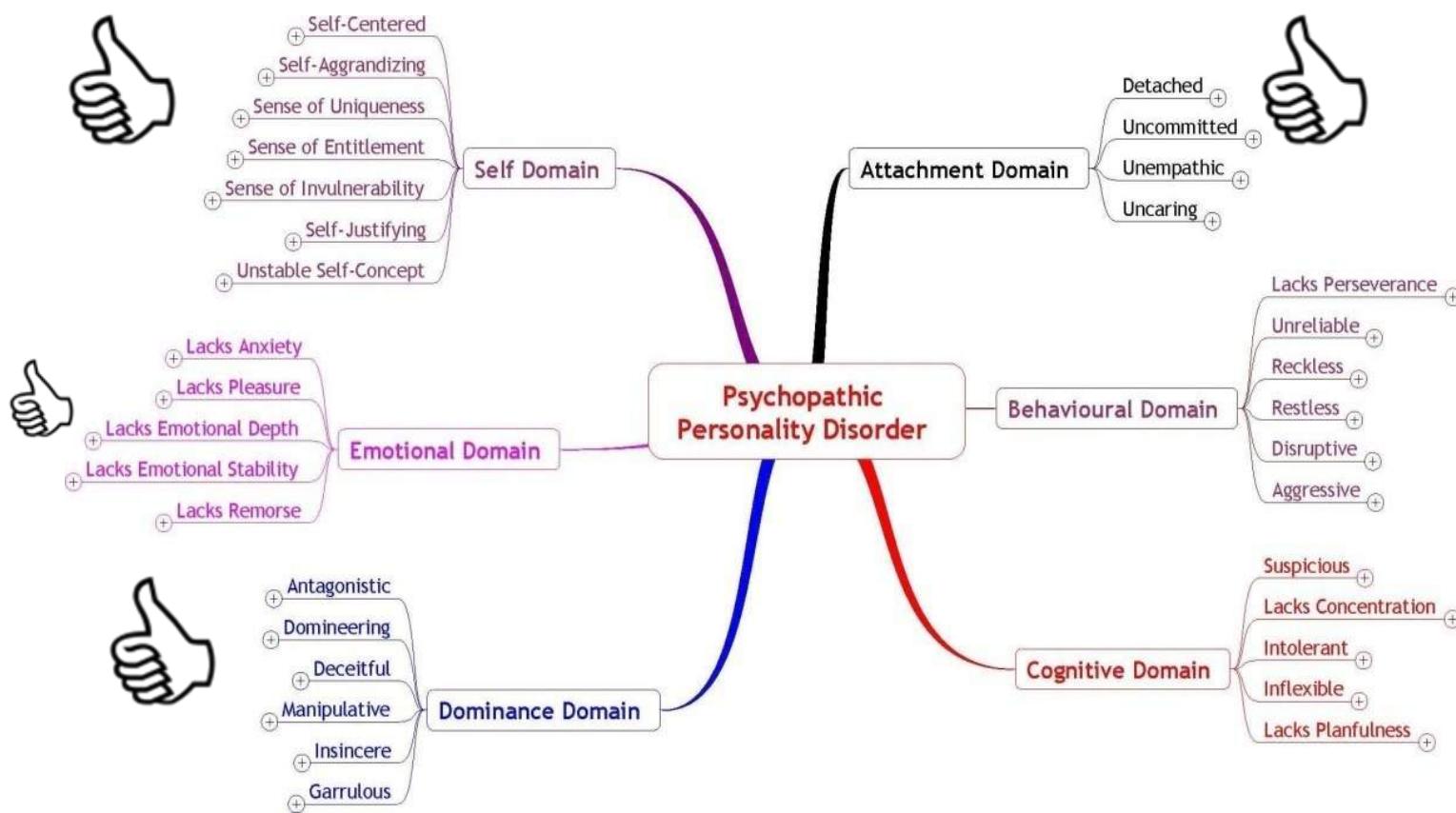
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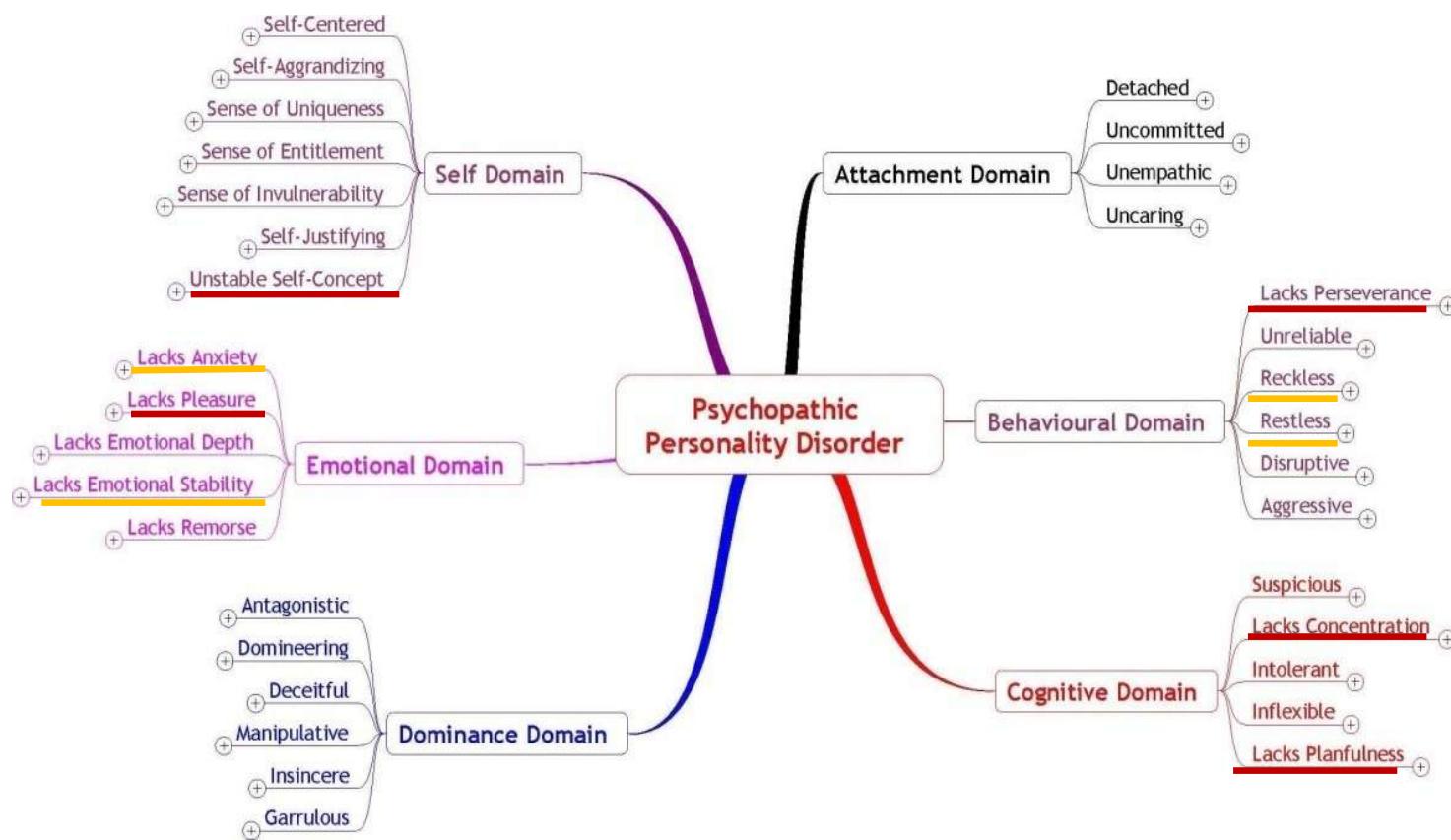
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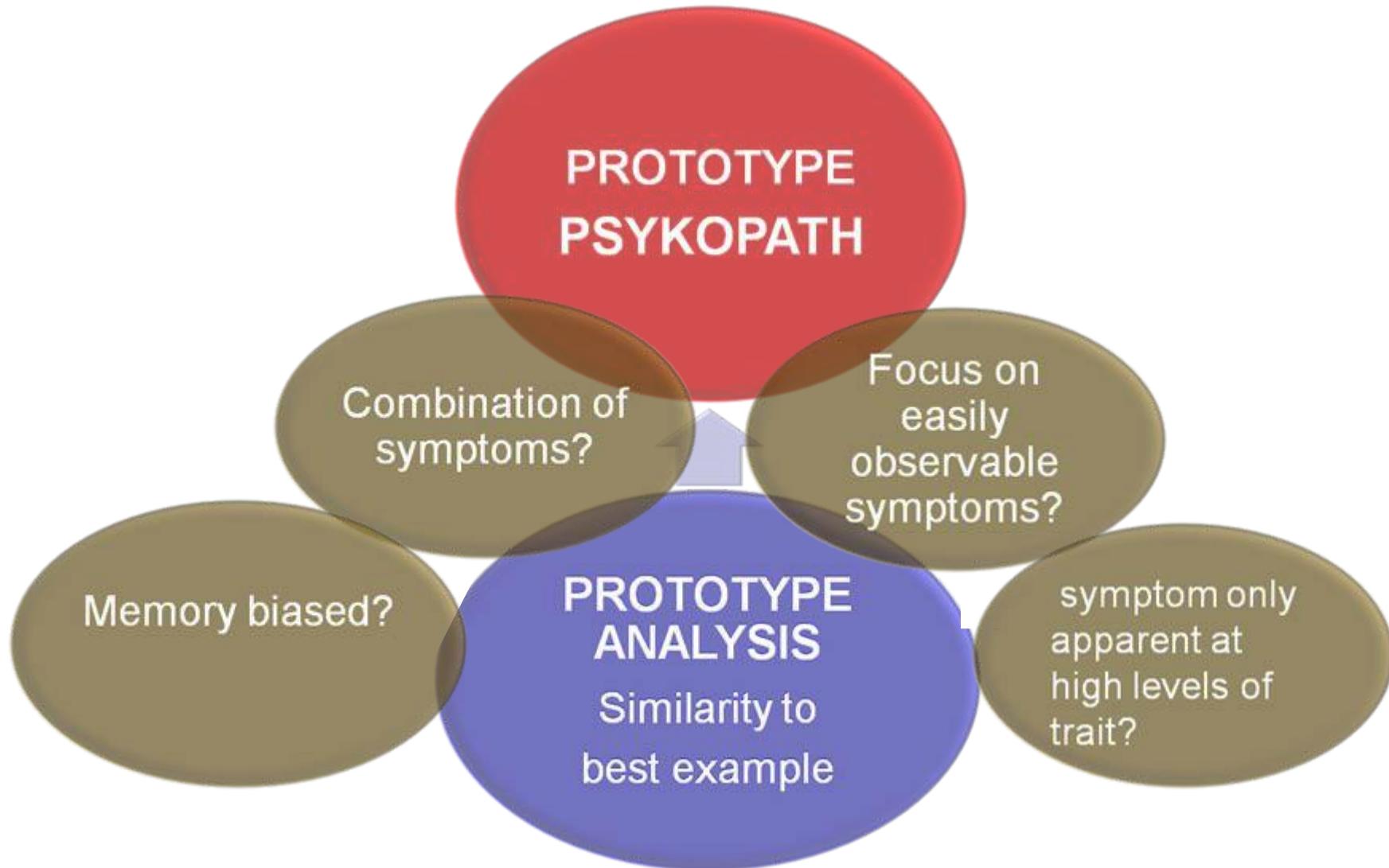


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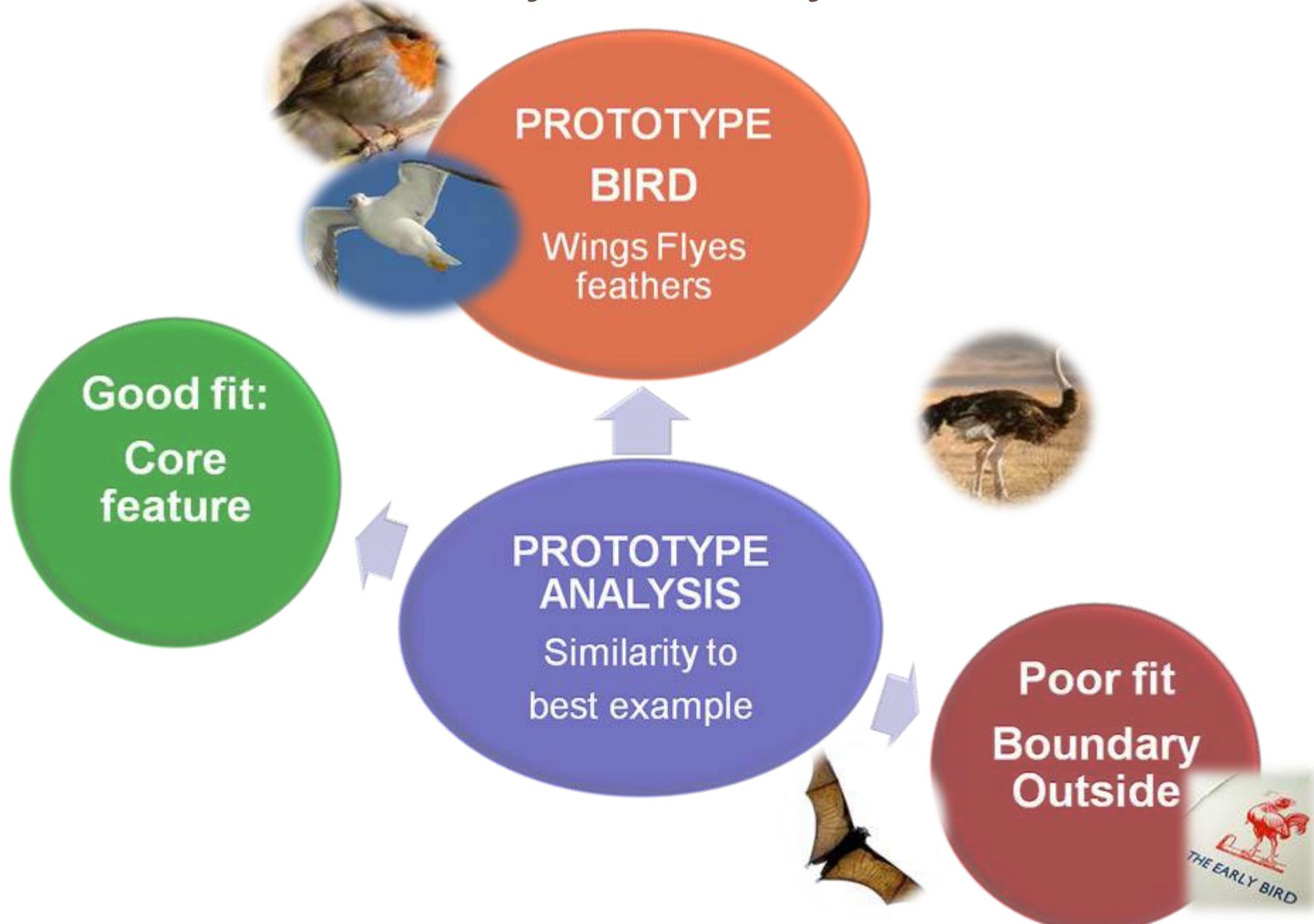
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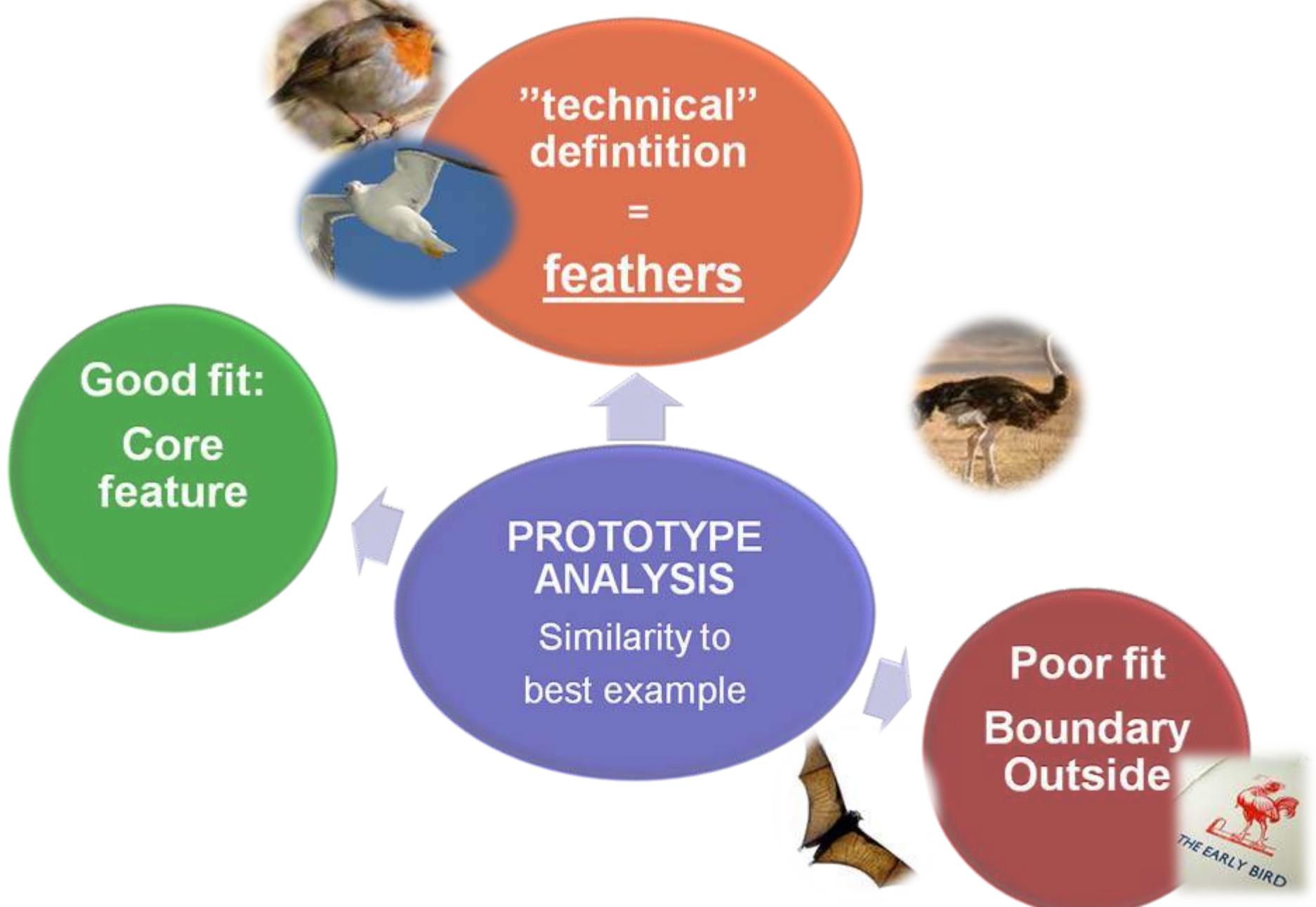
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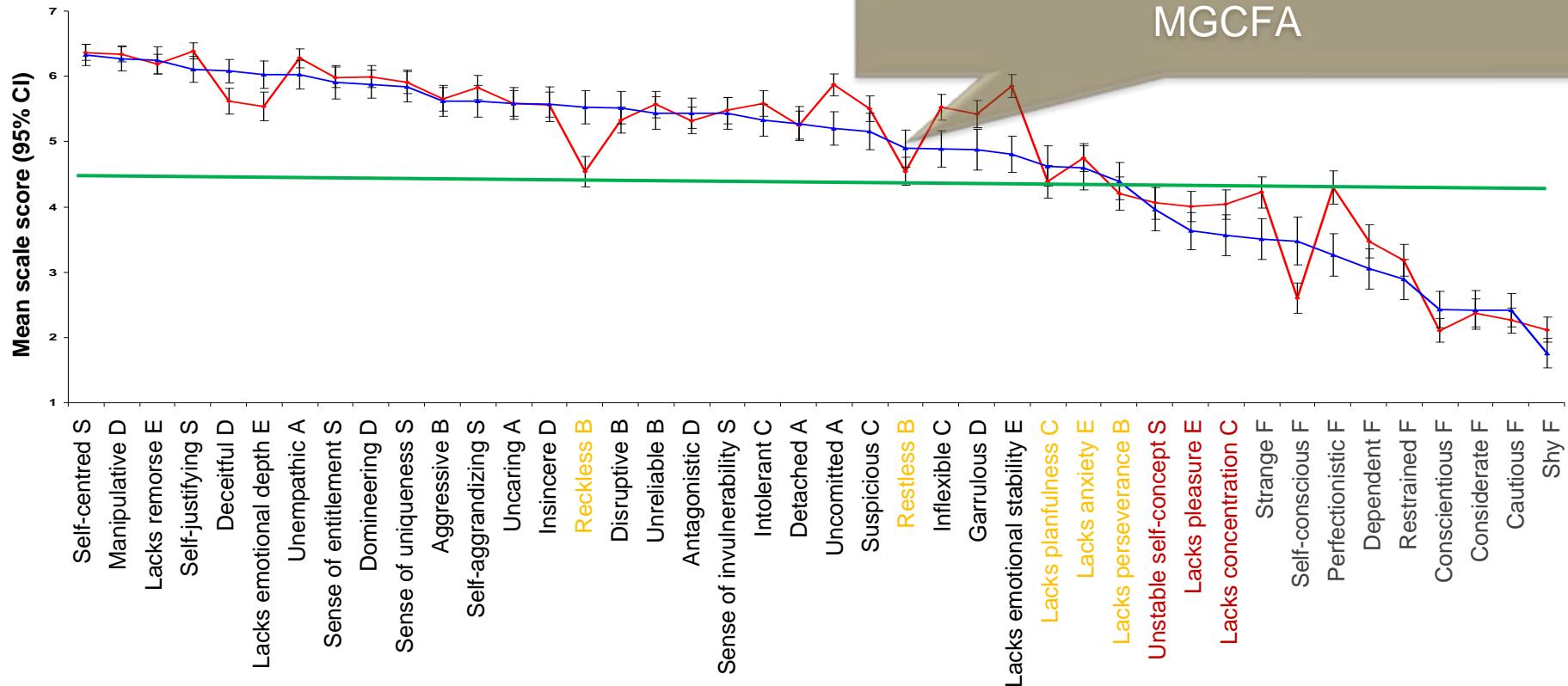


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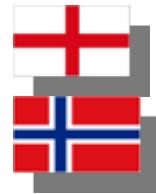


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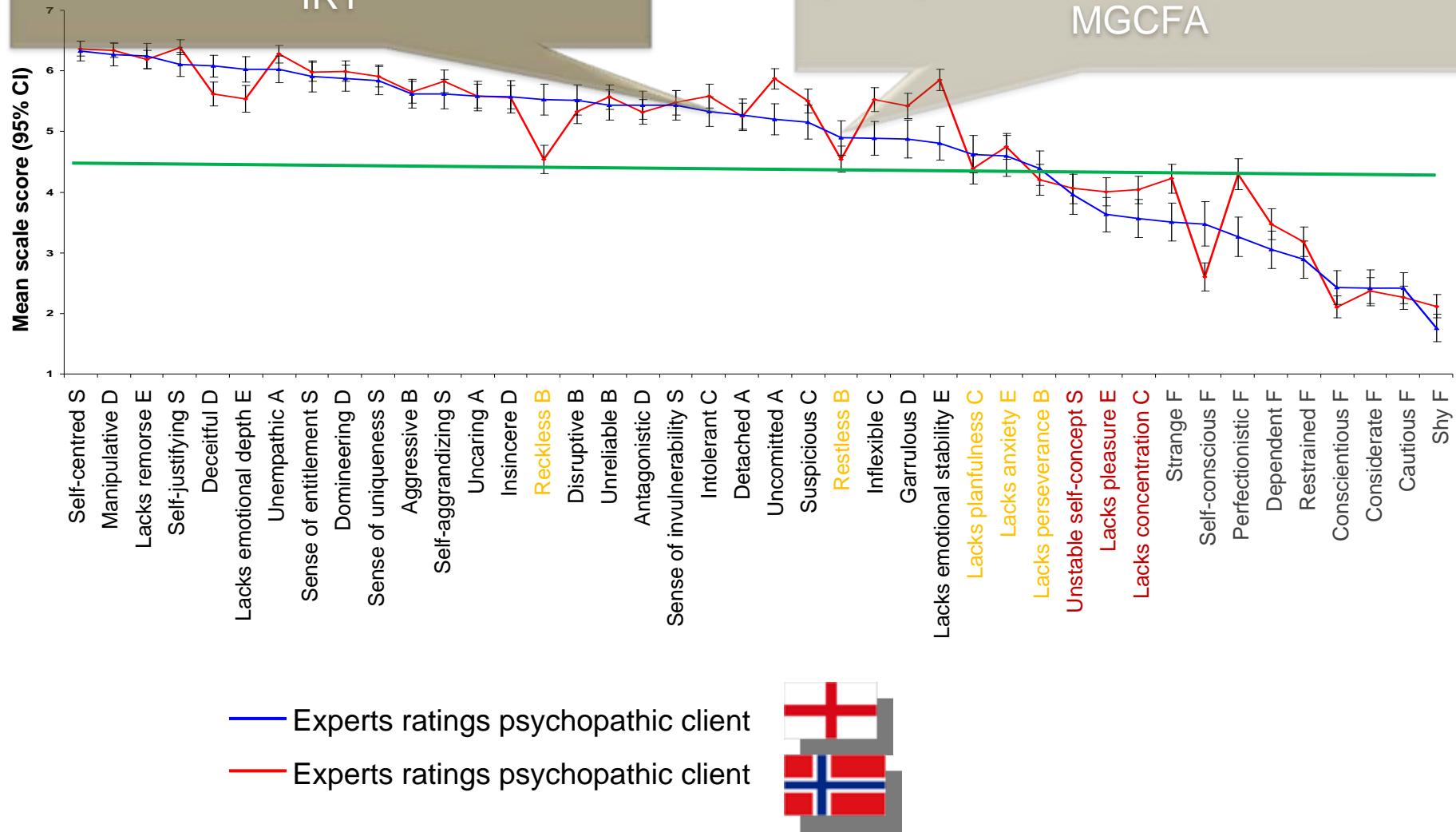


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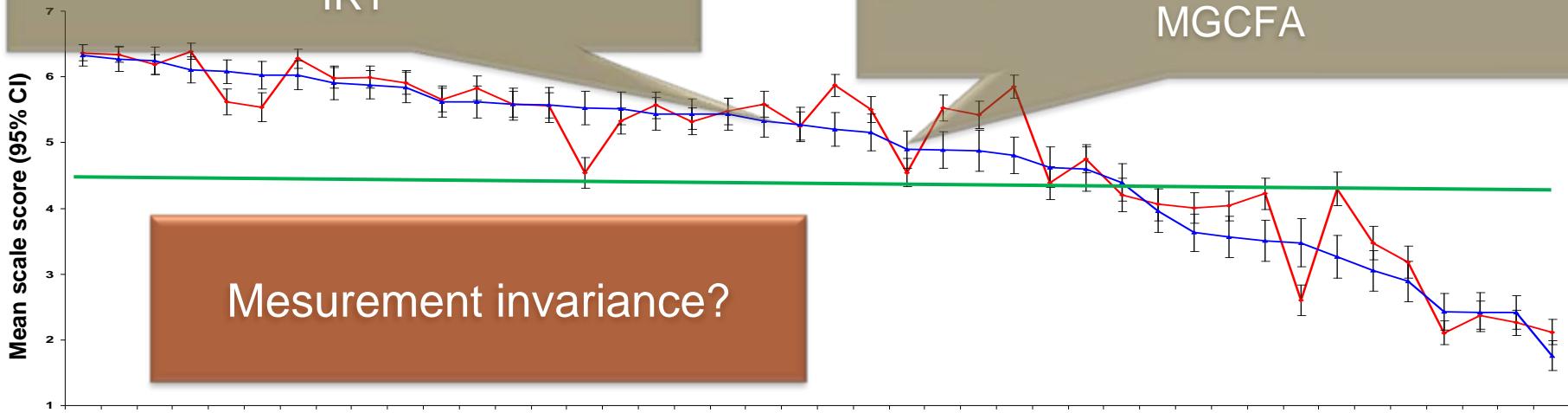
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To come (hopefully):

Hoff et al: “Cross Language Preservation of the CAPP – lost (or found?) in translation?”

Thanks!

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impulsivitet

- Cleckley sitat
- Impulsivity = a generel reduction in the ability to control one's behaviour (Jollife & Farrington, 2009)
 - low self control
 - hyperactivity
 - Inattention
 - Poor ability to delay gratification
 - Risk taking – sensation seeking
 - Not considering consequences before acting
- Direct link to violence: Less time and cognitive energy available for considering potential responses - > Select the option that provides the most immidiate perceived benefit

- Indirect link to violence:
 - Impulsive child -> Challenge to parents - > poor parenting - > challenge to schools
 - Ie: Impulsivity indirectly influences peoples interaction with important people and institutions (Moffit, 1993) -> increased likelihood of offending due to reduced opportunity to succeed in conventional ways.
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- Pratt & Cullen (2000): 21-study Meta study on the link between low self-control and crime. Mean effect size (cohens d) ranging from .47 - .58
- Or – 73% of offenders had low self-control compared to 50% of non offenders (at d value 0.47).
- but: impulsivity measured retrospectively

- Perhaps a meaningful separation into categories of the impulsivity construct
 - Hyperactivity/Low attention ($d=.26$)
 - Concentration problems ($d=34$)
 - Restlessness ($d=.40$)
 - Risk taking ($d=50$)
 - (Hawkins et al 1998) review of longitudinal studies on the link to violence in youth

- Motor restlessness vs concentration problems?

- Satisfy immediate urges (and confuses want's with needs) at the risk of later, uncertain and hypothetical consequences (Farrington & Welsch, 2007)
- Jollife & Farrington (2009) Review & Metaanalysis of prospective studies of impulsivity in childhood and later violence: "quite strong" predictive relationship.

- Hva med å legge inn pcl:sv faktor 2 ledd inn som markør?
- If Hicks & patrick, 2006 are right in that PCL taps into two distinct entities:
 - one corresponding phenotypically to low stress reaction and an agentic interpersonal style and genotypically to a core weakness in defensive (fear) reactivitet
 - The other phenotypically to an impulsive-aggressive behaviourstyle and genotypically to a basic weakness in inhibitory control systems
- Then reckless in peoples perception is more linked low fear than to inhibitory control-systems?
- That is is the psychopath no more angry than the rest of us but control the emotion less effectively?

- Indicate that psychopaths in peoples perception is more controlled (but still reckless and aggressive) than have hitherto been considered 'psychopathic'.
 - More "well socialized" (less cognitively impulsive?) variant of psychopaths than PCL-R F2?
- Impulsivity not among cleckleys criteria (Balckburn, 2005)
- Agressive linked more to narsistick traits high self-esteem, lsck of anxiety (?)

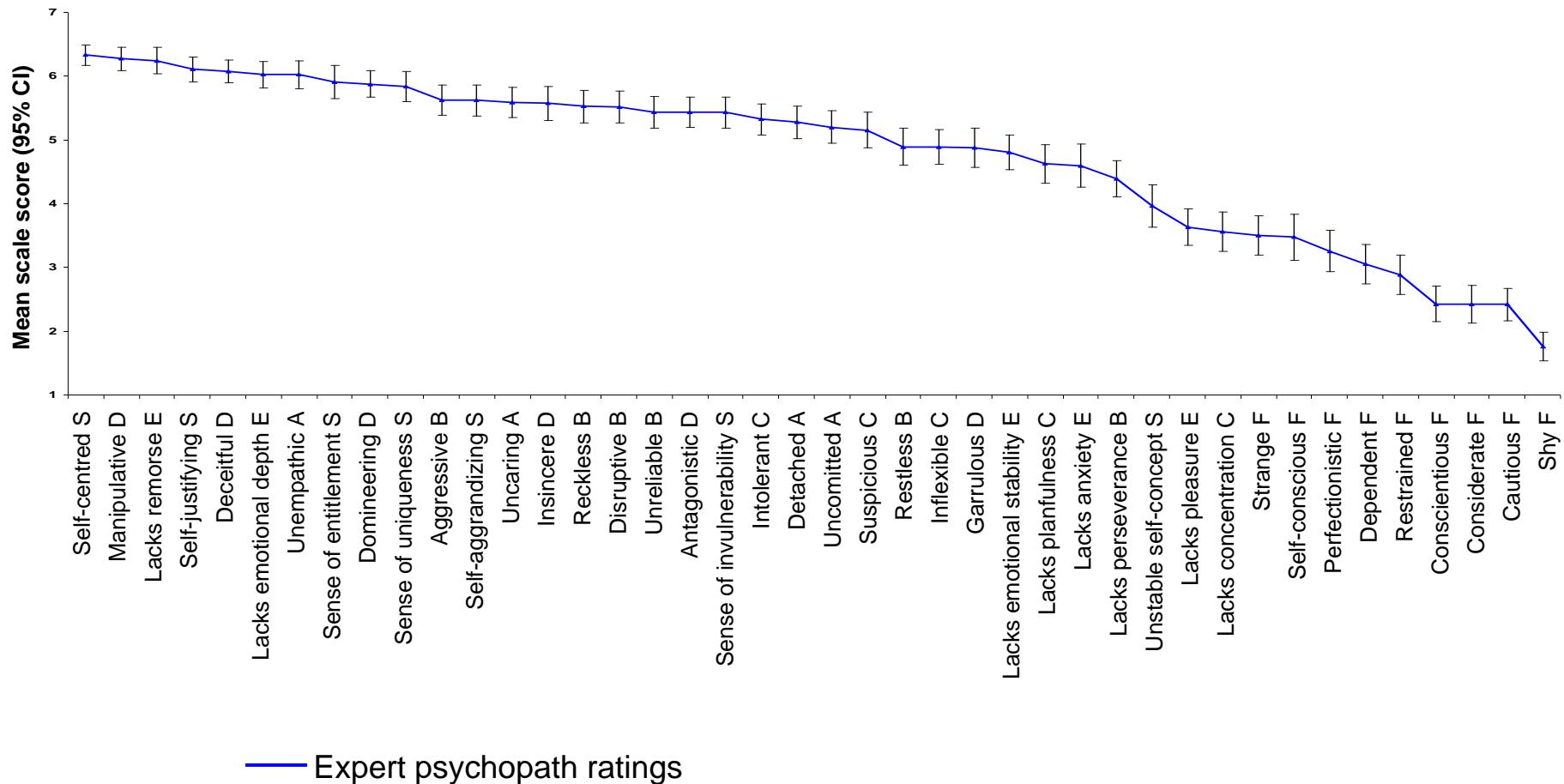
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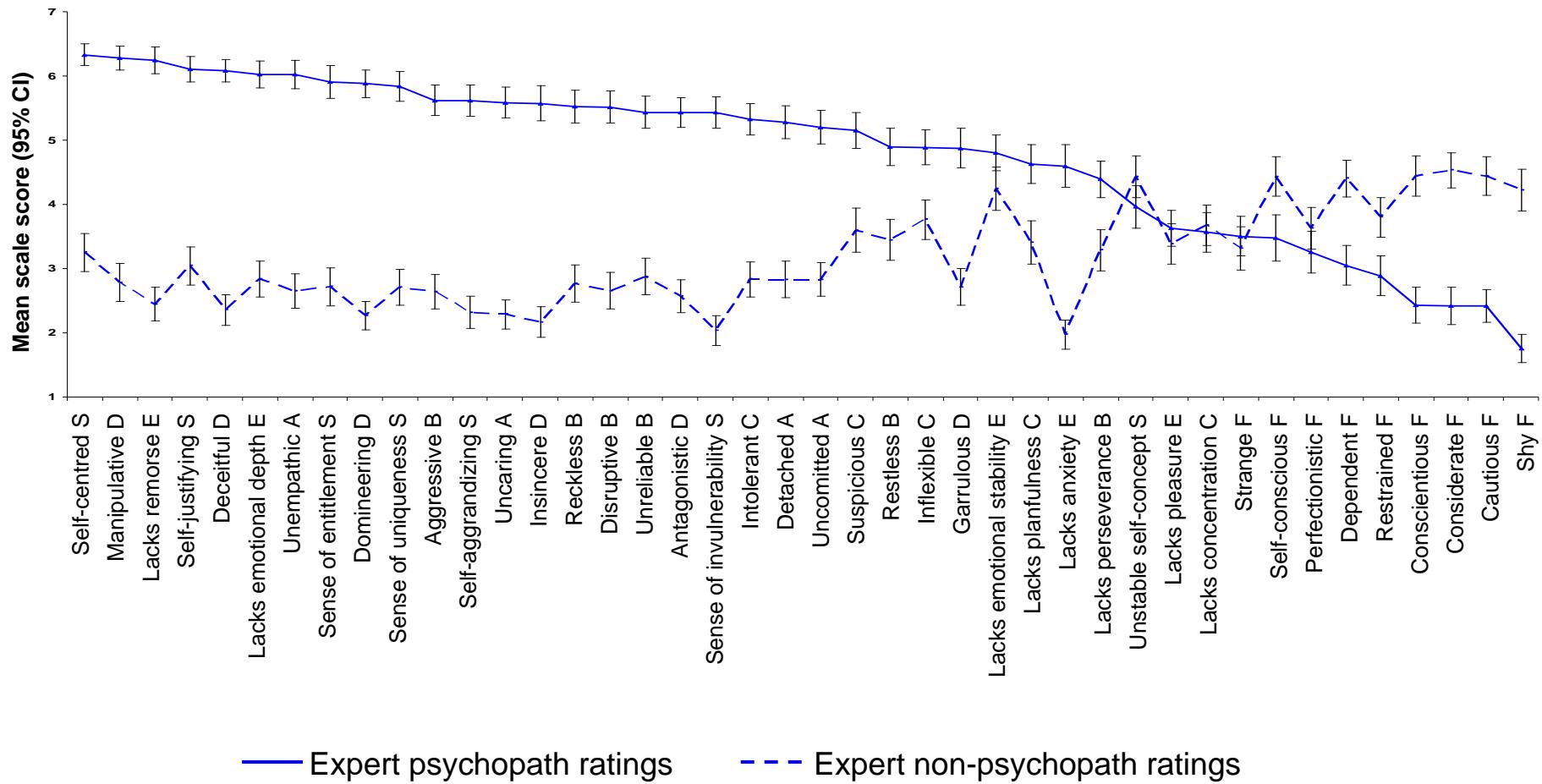
- Mettes data (English language version)
 - Graf 1: Proto-rating PP-client
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 - Graf 4: Mettes PP + NPP + vår PPclient + NPPclient
 - Graf 5: Mettes PP + våre PP-client + PP lay
- Så de tyske dataene:
 - Graf 6: mette PP + Norsk PP-client+ tysk PP-client
 - **HUSK:** Graf 7: Mette PP + Norsk PP lay + **Tysk PP lay**
- Så til slutt:
 - **HUSK:** Graf 8: prototypiskhet etter domener for alle tre samples for PP client (ikke NPP). TYSK MANGER – DRIT I OM CI MANGER

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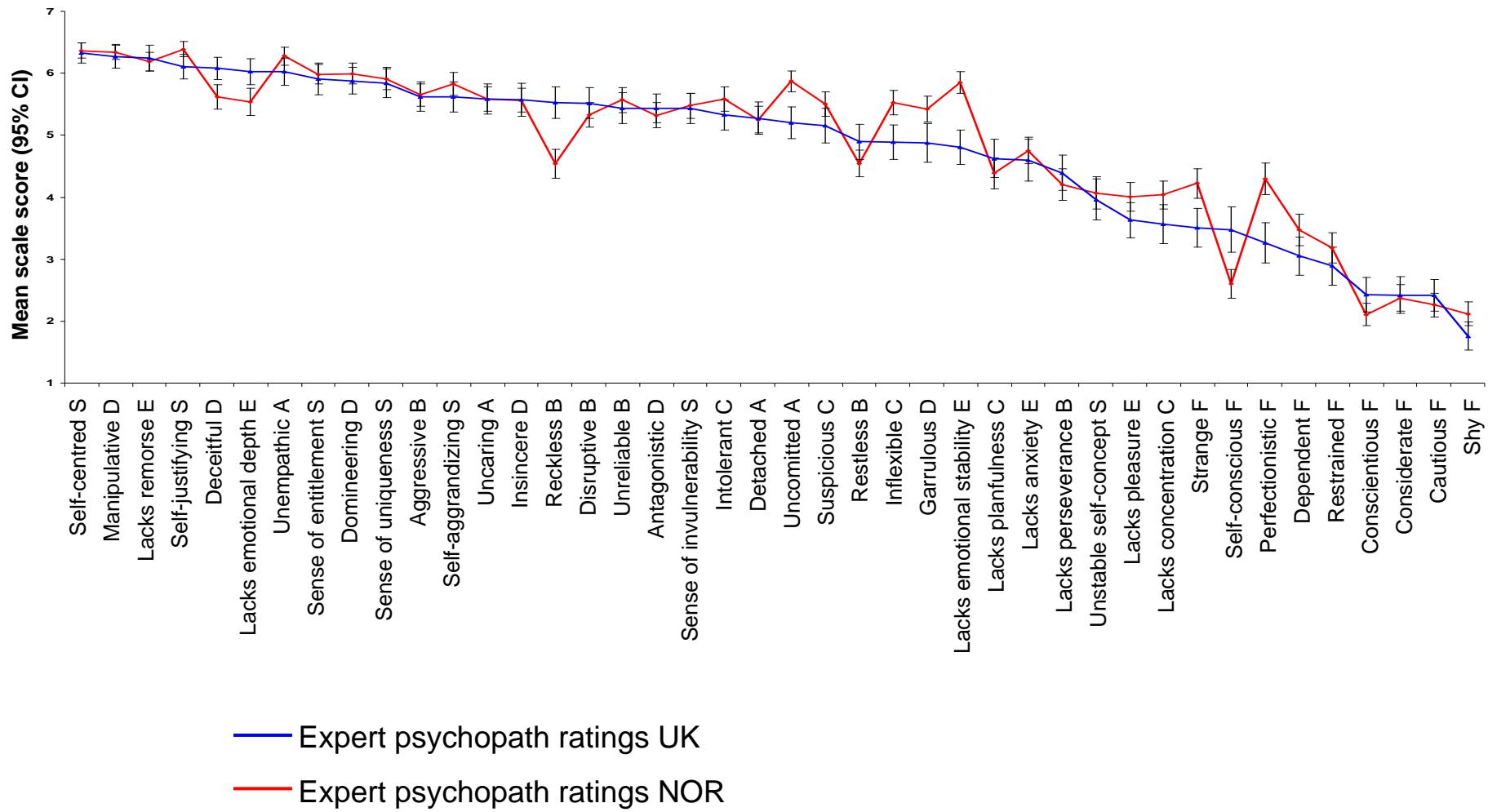


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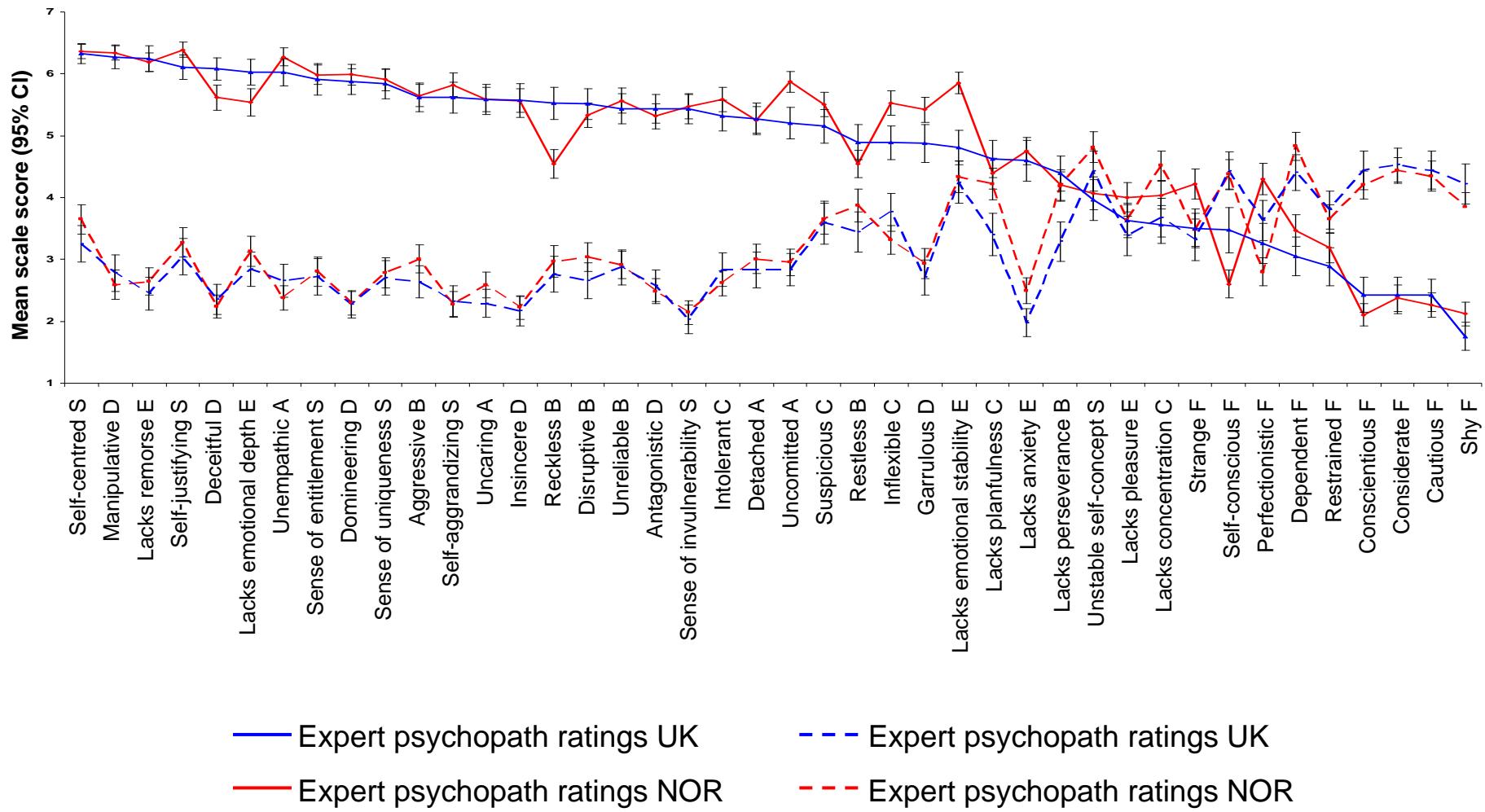
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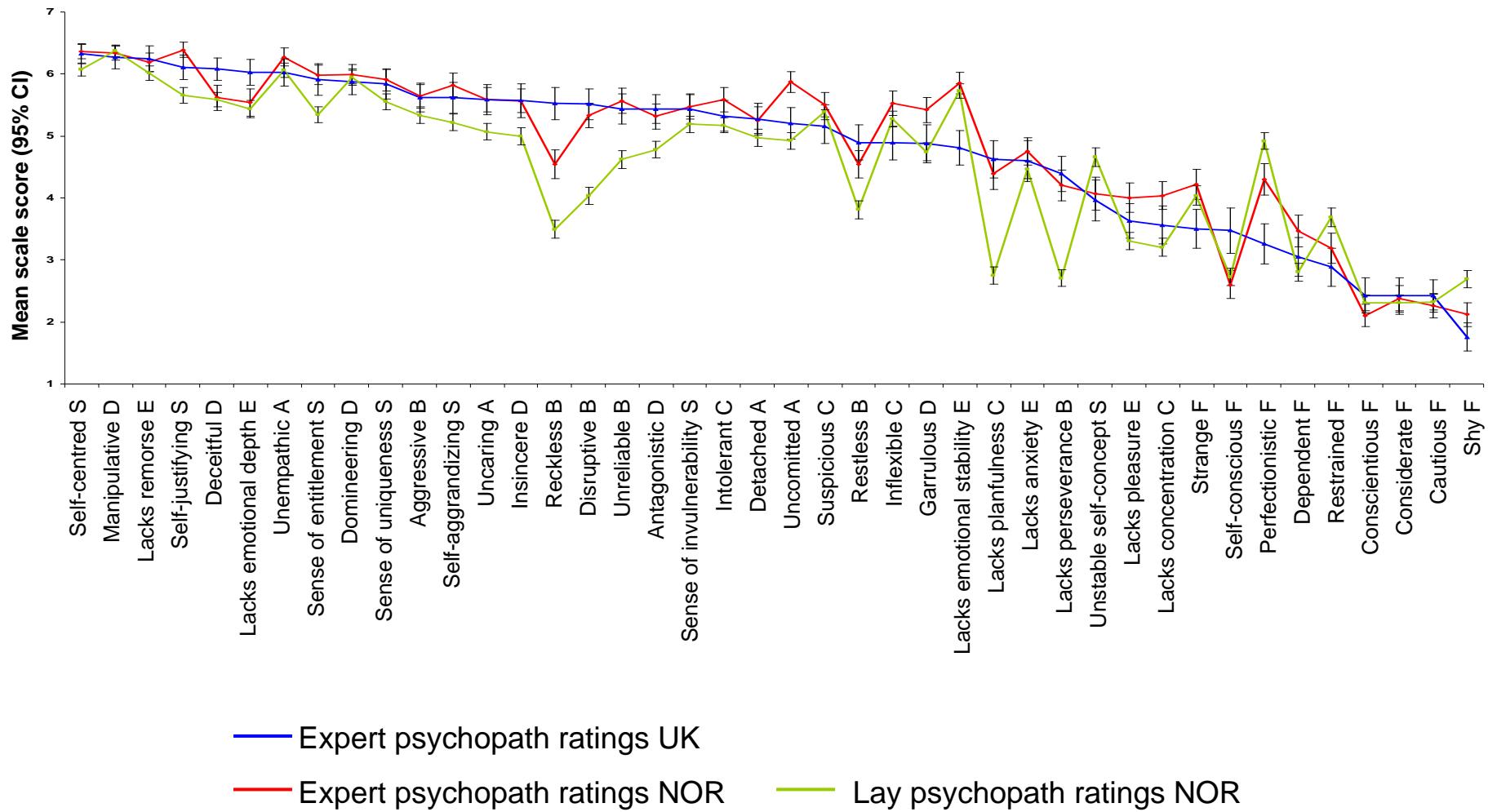
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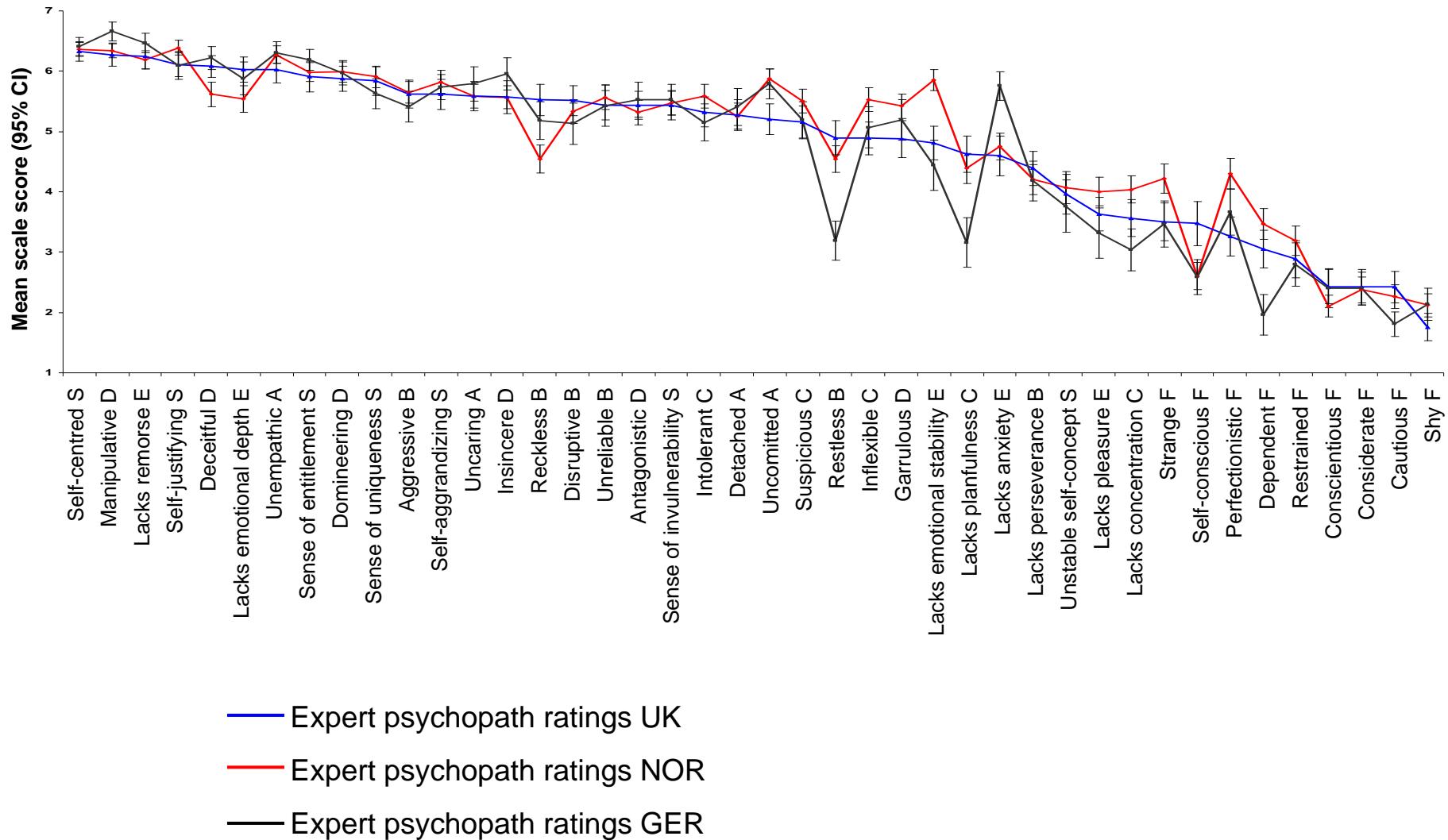
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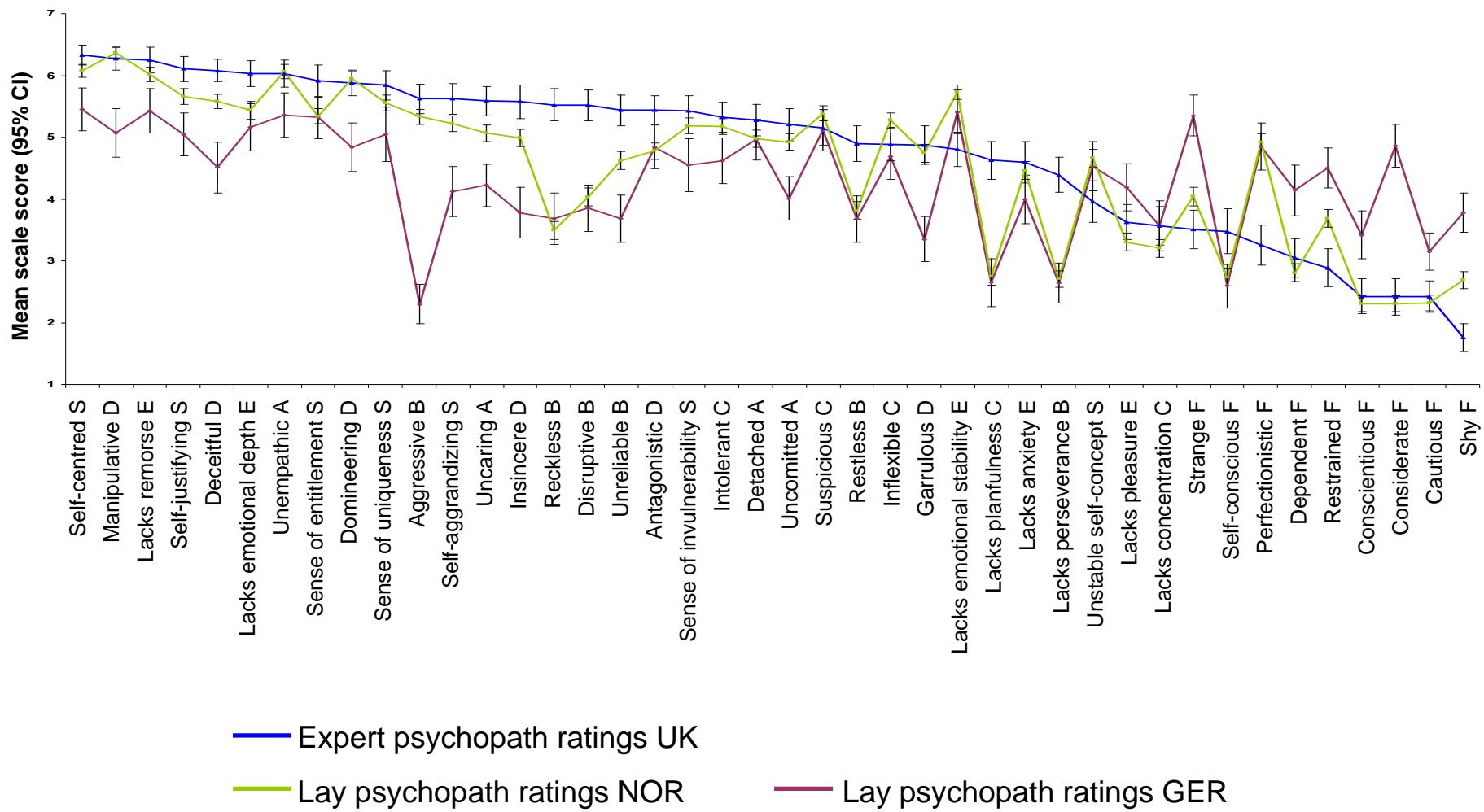
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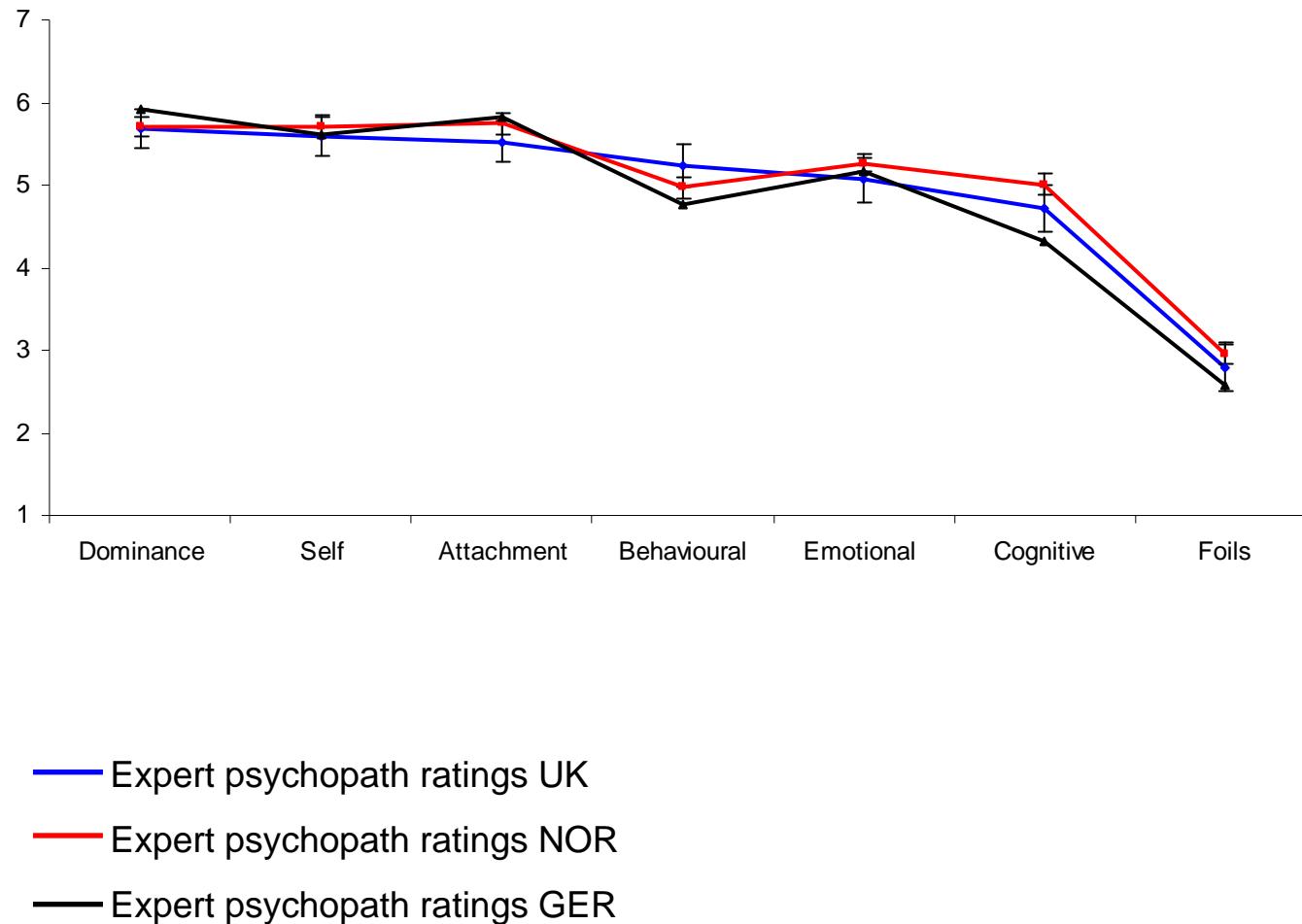
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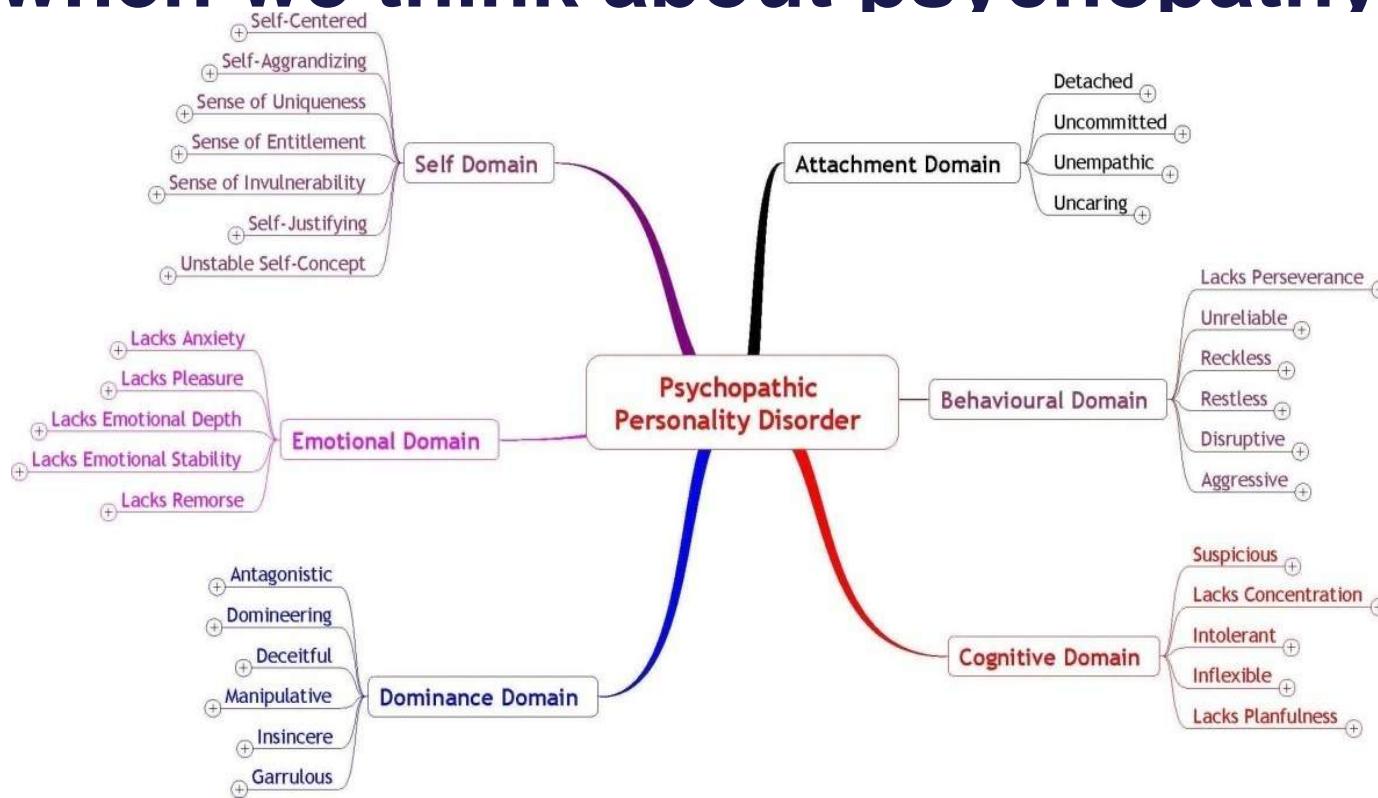
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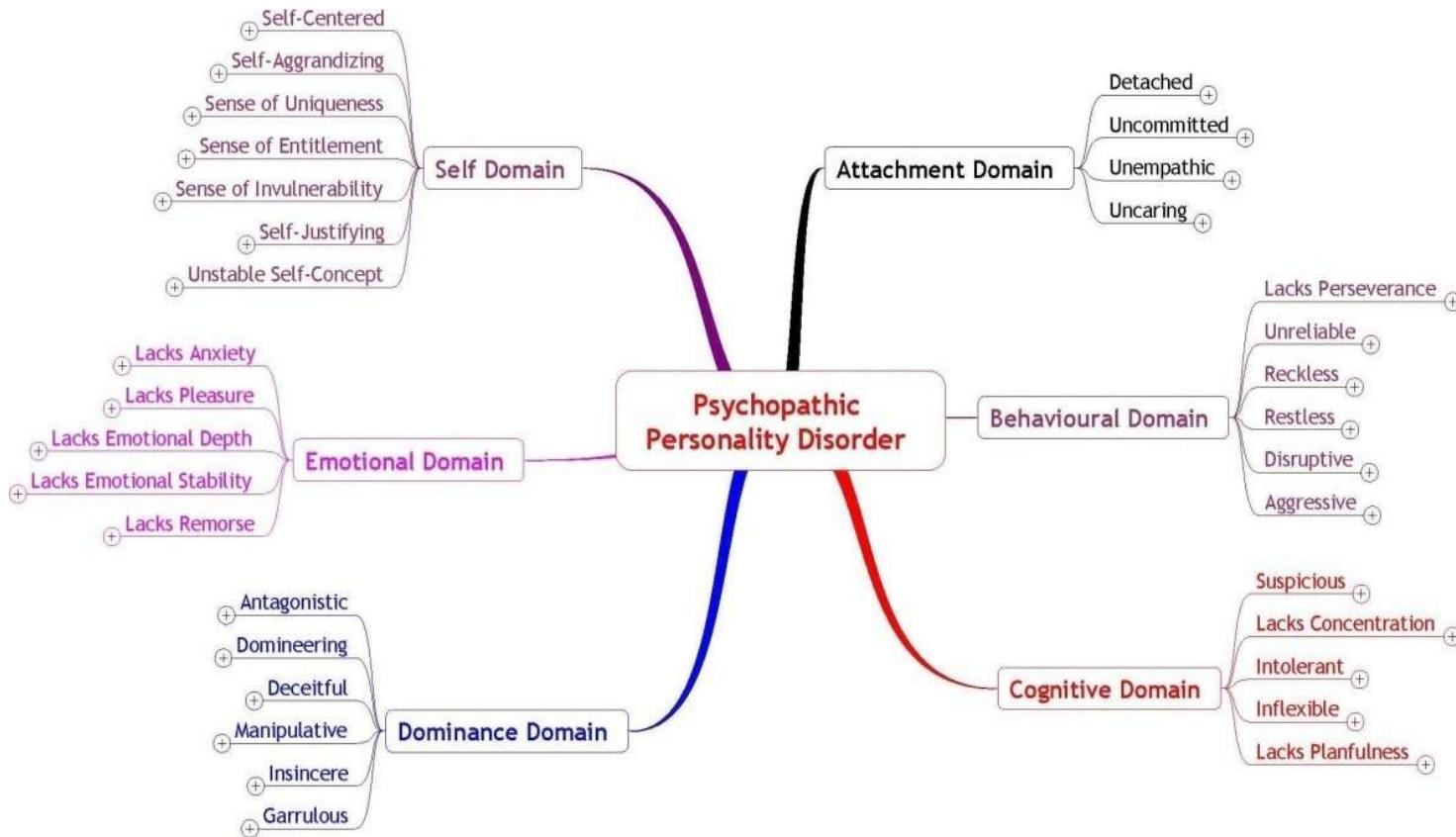


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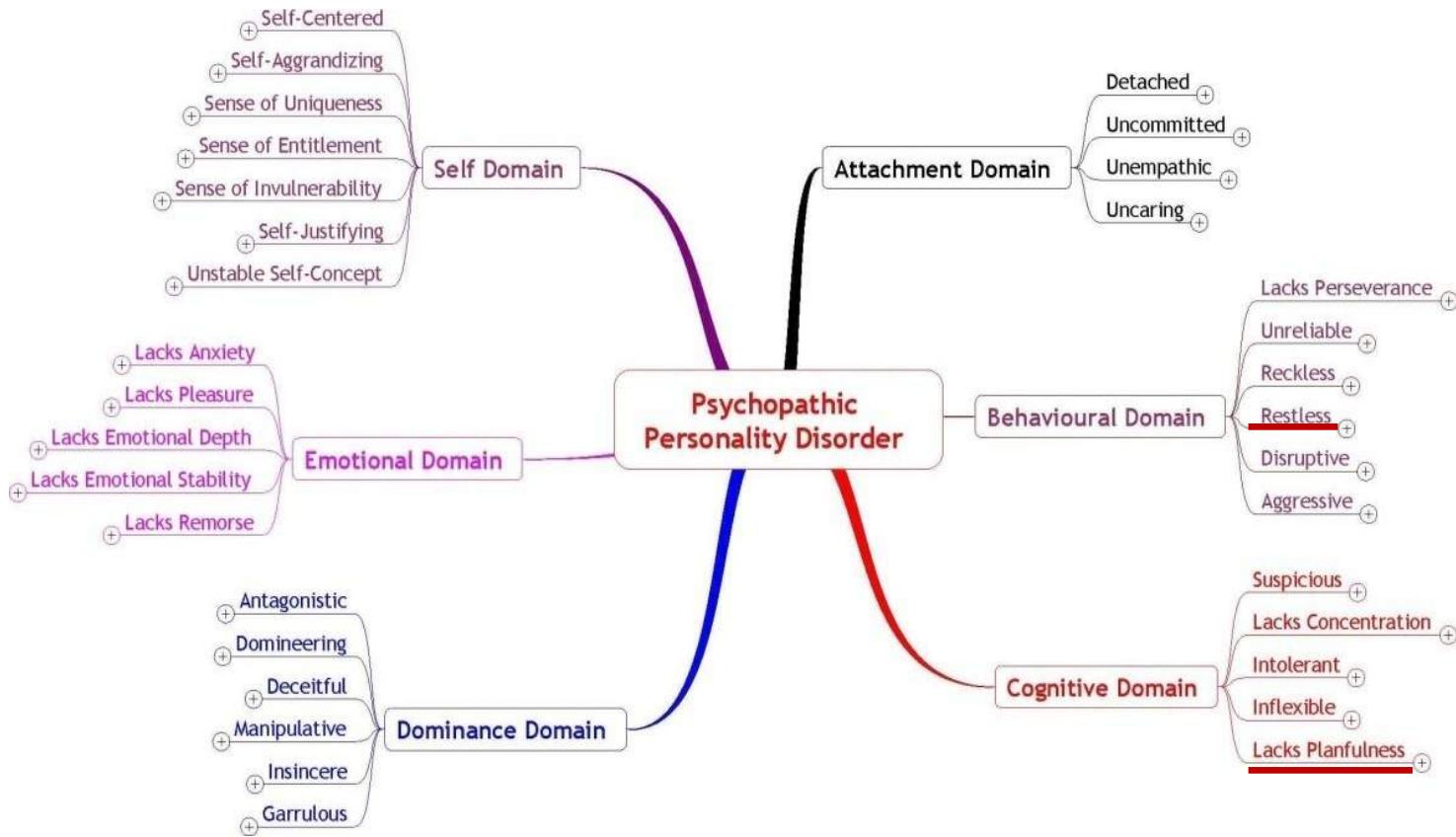
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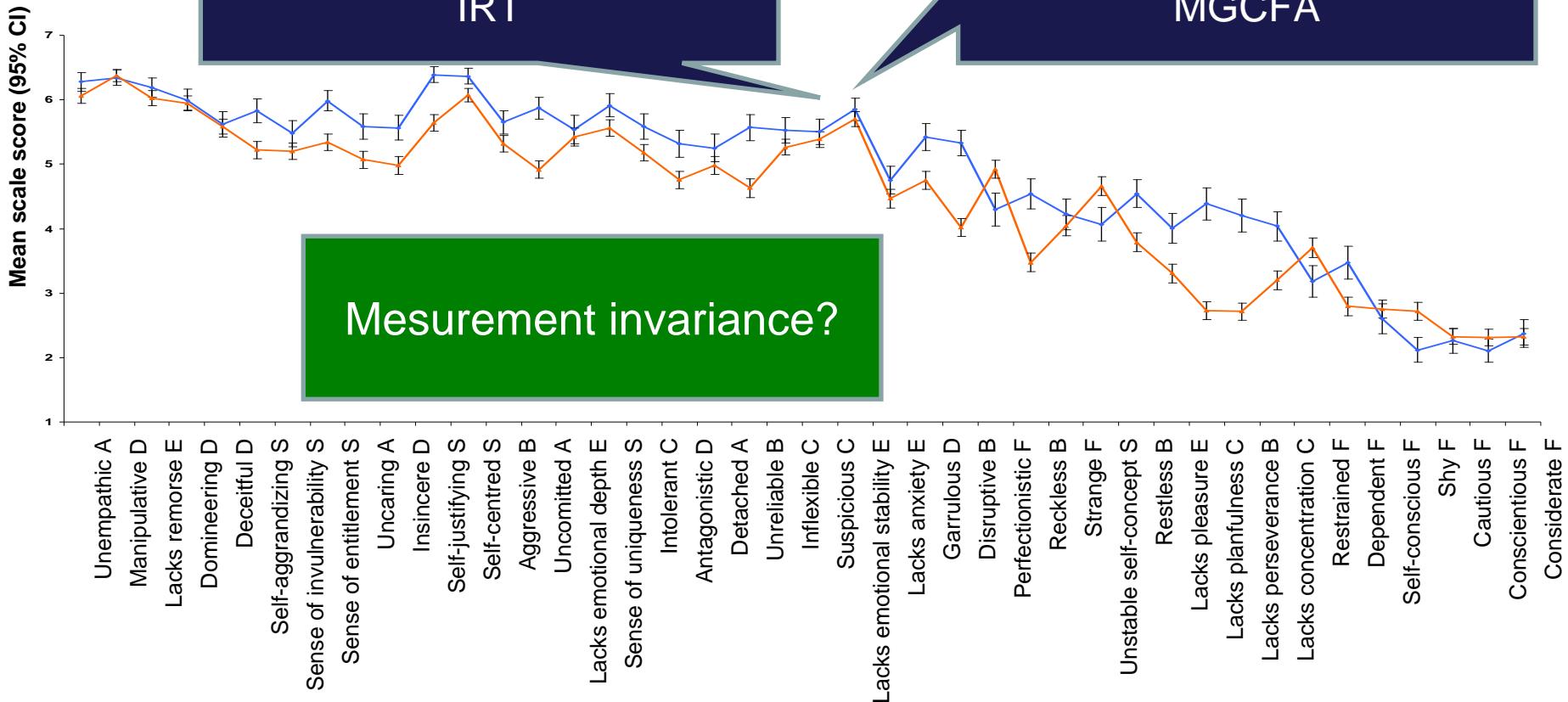
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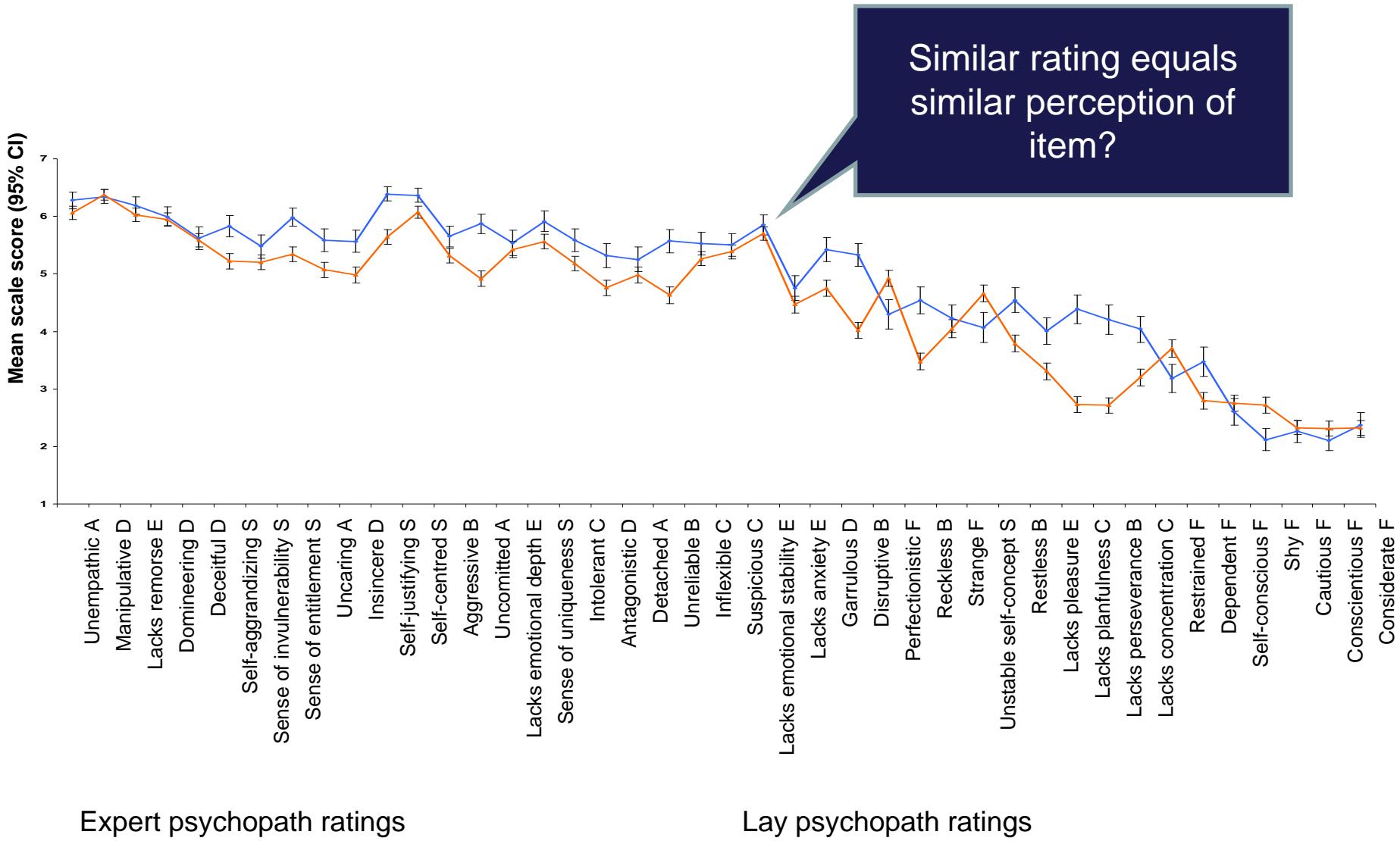
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- Are people across language versions and cultures thinking about the same thing when we think about the capp symptoms?
 - Similar perception of items in the CAPP?
 - Similar rating equal level of underlying trait?

Validation by CFA

Is each domain underpinned by undimensional constructs?

"Homogenous constructs improves clarity of clinical description" (Smith et al, 2009)

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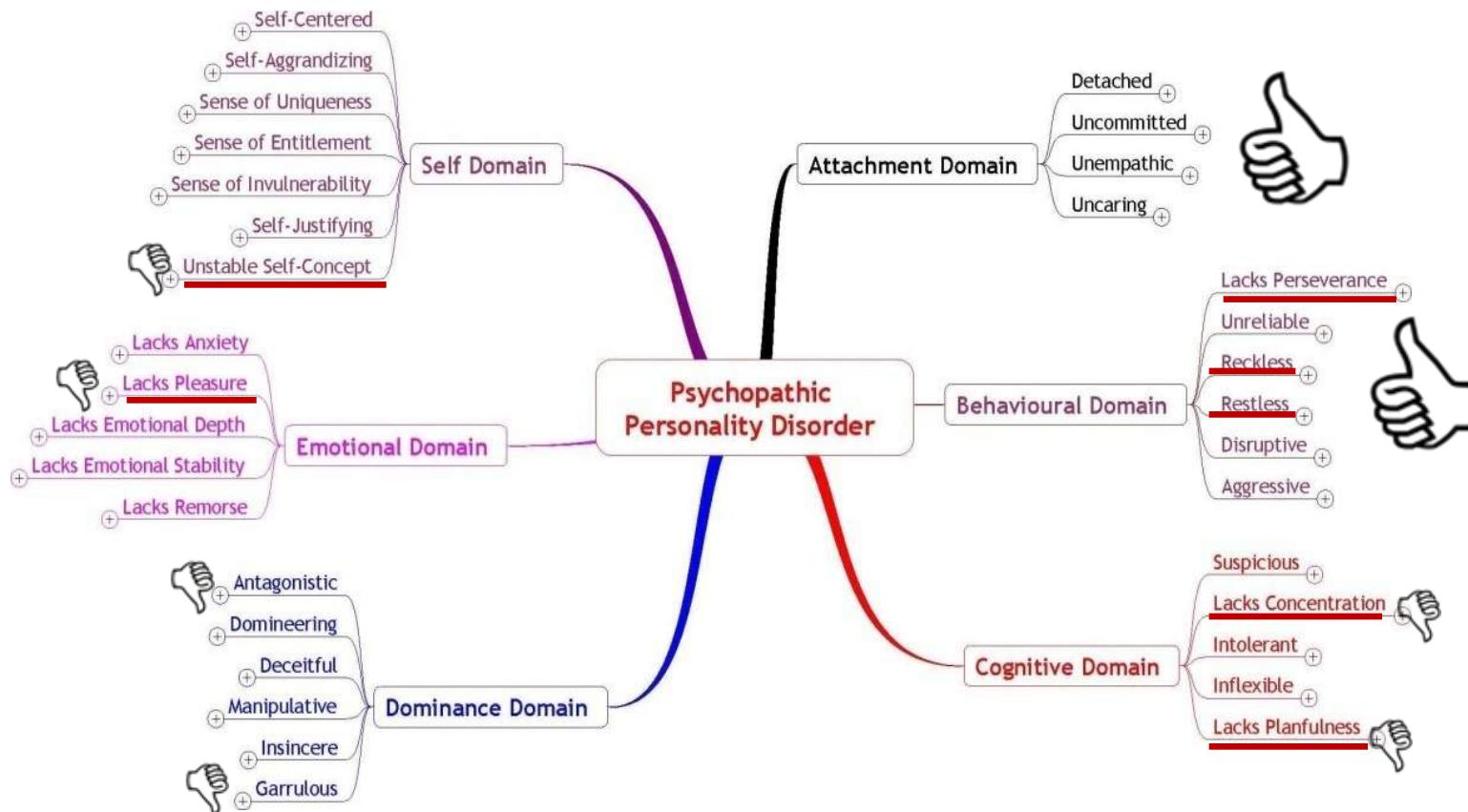
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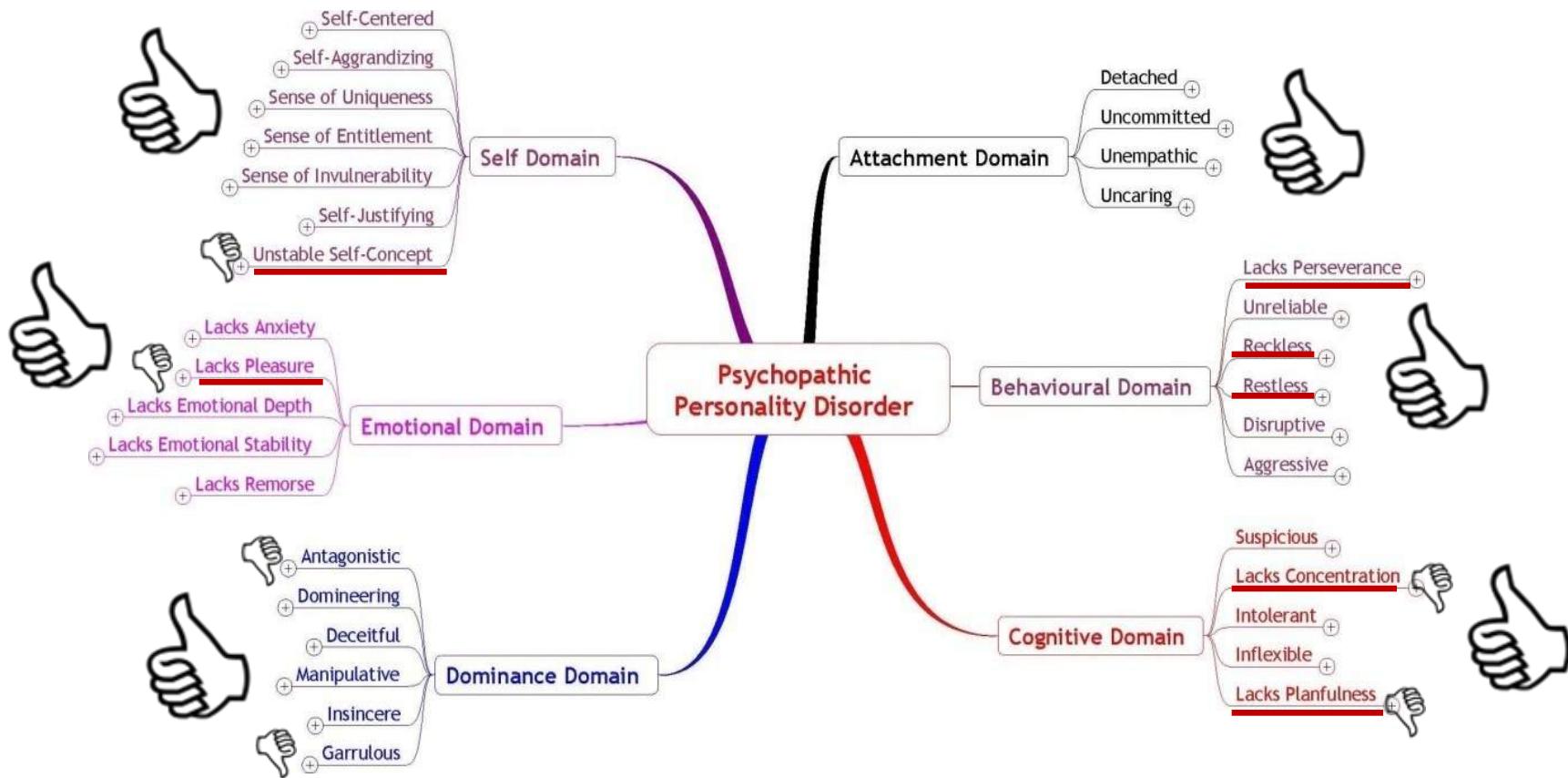
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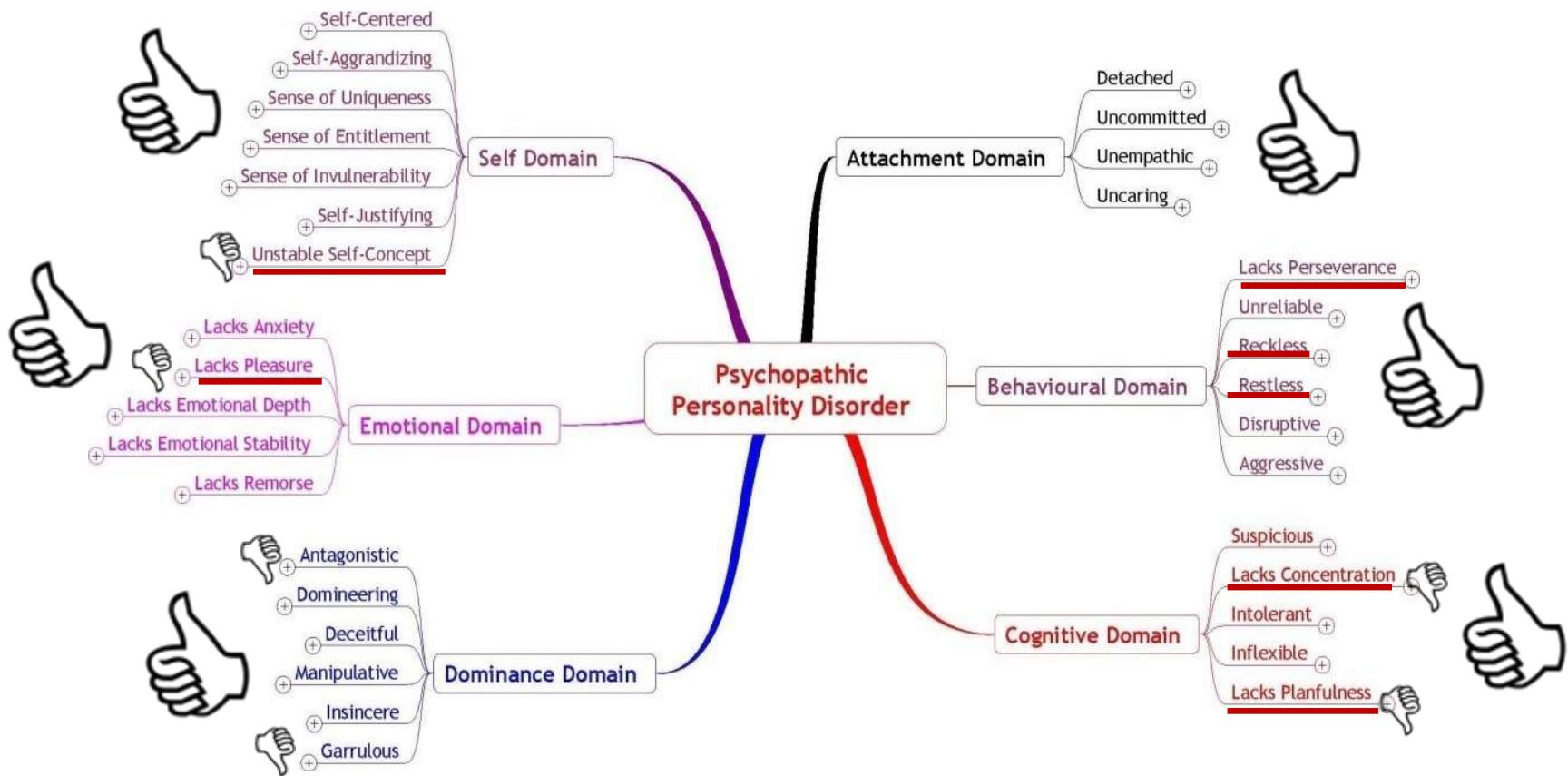


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Overall conclusion

Good content validity!



Takk for meg! (Thanks!)

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Sample characteristics of raters

	Community	Forensic psychiatry	Prison
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Age			
25 or below	281 (50.8)	10 (5.0)	4 (13.3)
26-35	167 (30.2)	47 (23.5)	12 (40.0)
36-50	74 (13.4)	97 (48.5)	11 (36.7)
Above 50	23 (4.2)	46 (23.0)	3 (10.0)
Education			
High school or less	110 (19.9)	27 (13.2)	11 (36.7)
Bachelor or equivalent	367 (66.4)	104 (51.0)	18 (60.0)
Master or equivalent	73 (13.2)	73 (35.8)	1 (3.3)
Victim history*	120 (21.7)	37 (25.9)	6 (19.7)
Native language Norwegian	533 (97.1)	197 (95.2)	29 (93.5)

Note. * "Have you in your personal life ever been victim of a harmful act or acts by someone you consider a psychopath?

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 ns = non-significant, * = $p < .05$, ** = $p < .01$, *** = $p < .0001$

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While thinking of the most psychopathic patient / person you can think of....

1) LACKS PLEASURE (*pessimistic, gloomy, unenthusiastic*)

How typical is this characteristic of psychopathy?

Not typical

1 2

3

4

5

6

Very typical

7

I am unsure what the characteristic refers to

Please underline any of the words describing the characteristic you do not understand.

- 42 items: 33 CAPP symptoms – 9 foils

CAPP Prototypical Questionnaire

While thinking of someone you know who definitely is *not* a psychopath....

1) LACKS PLEASURE (*pessimistic, gloomy, unenthusiastic*)

How typical is this characteristic of a non-psychopath?

Not typical

1 2

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Very typical

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I am unsure what the characteristic refers to

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