### Supplementary Table ST3

Data extraction of sensory-based approaches' studies

### Supplementary Table ST1

Key-words and operators used for the review of articles in the databases

| Population   | child <u>OR</u> children <u>OR</u> kid* <u>OR</u> teen* <u>OR</u> youth* <u>OR</u> pediatric* <u>OR</u> peadiatric* <u>OR</u> adolescent* <u>OR</u> "school child*" <u>OR</u> schoolchild* <u>OR</u> juvenile* <u>OR</u> minor* <u>OR</u> "school boy*" <u>OR</u> schoolboy* <u>OR</u> schoolgirl* <u>OR</u> "school girl*" <u>OR</u> "school-going boy*" <u>OR</u> "school-going girl*" <u>OR</u> "school-going child*" <u>OR</u> "school-going child*"  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|              | AND   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Intervention | "sensory-based intervention*" <u>OR</u> "sensory integration therap*" <u>OR</u> "sensory integration intervention*" <u>OR</u> "sensory integration approach*" <u>OR</u> "sensory integration" <u>OR</u> "sensory integration" <u>OR</u> "sensory integration" <u>OR</u> "contemporary approach*" <u>OR</u> "contemporary practice*" <u>OR</u> "self-regulatory strateg*" <u>OR</u> "single-sensory strateg*" <u>OR</u> "sensory motor integration" <u>OR</u> "task-specific training program*" <u>OR</u> "impairment-oriented approach*" <u>OR</u> "impairment-oriented intervention*" <u>OR</u> "performance-oriented approach*" <u>OR</u> "direct skills teaching" <u>OR</u> "cognitive-based approach*" <u>OR</u> "performance-based intervention*" <u>OR</u> "perceptual motor program*" <u>OR</u> "sensory integration-based activit*" <u>OR</u> "performance focused intervention*" <u>OR</u> "sensory stimulation" <u>OR</u> "sensorimotor-type intervention*" <u>OR</u> "sensory integration techniques" <u>OR</u> "sensory integration-like approch*" <u>OR</u> "sensory stimulation technique*" <u>OR</u> "sensory diet*" |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|              | AND   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Outcome      | "school participation" <u>OR</u> education OR learning <u>OR</u> "school performance" <u>OR</u> "school progress*" <u>OR</u> "schooling" <u>OR</u> "child education" <u>OR</u> "school activit*" <u>OR</u> "participation in class" <u>OR</u> "engagement in school" <u>OR</u> "engagement in school activit*"  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

*Notes.* P = Population; I = Intervention; O = Outcome.

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### Supplementary Table ST2

Descriptors and operators used for the review of articles in databases

| Base de<br>données  | Des | scripteurs  |  |  |  |
|---|-----|---|--|--|--|
| PubMed  | P   | ("Students"[Mesh]) OR "Child"[Mesh] "Sensation Disorders"[Mesh] AND "Somatosensory Disorders"[Mesh]   |  |  |  |
|   | I   | "Occupational Therapy"[Mesh] OR "Evidence-Based Practice"[Mesh]   |  |  |  |
|   | О   | ("Learning"[Mesh]) OR "Education"[Mesh]   |  |  |  |
| CINHAL  | P   | (MH "Child") OR (MH "Adolescence") OR (MH "Minors (Legal)") OR (MH "Students, Middle School") OR (MH "Students, High School") OR (MH "Students, Elementary")                                      |  |  |  |
| (MH "Occupational Therapy Practice, Evidence-Based") <u>OR</u> (MH "Sensory Stimulation") <u>OR</u> (MH "Sensory Motor Integration "Acoustic Stimulation") <u>OR</u> (MH "Physical Stimulation") <u>OR</u> (MH "Rehabilitation") <u>OR</u> (MH "Rehabilitation, Pediatric" "Professional Practice, Theory-Based") |     |   |  |  |  |
|   | О   | (MH "Learning") OR (MH "Education") OR (MH "Student Knowledge") OR (MH "Student Experiences") OR (MH "Student Attitudes") OR (MH "Behavioral Objectives") OR (MH "Student Performance Appraisal") |  |  |  |
| EMBASE  | P   | $\label{eq:child/exp} \begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$   |  |  |  |
| I (major focus): ('sensorimotor integration'/exp/mj OR 'sensory stimulation'/exp/mj   |     |   |  |  |  |
|   | О   | 'learning'/exp <u>OR</u> 'education'/exp <u>OR</u> 'academic achievement'/exp <u>OR</u> 'student attitude'/exp  |  |  |  |

*Notes.* P = Population; I = Intervention; O = Outcomes

| Study                            | Design  | Objective   | Sample   | Intervention   | Outcomes  | Results   | Quality           |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------|---|---|--|--|---|---|-------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                                  | Sensory-based approaches  |   |  |  |   |   |                   |  |  |  |  |
| Lin, Lee, Chang & Hong<br>(2009) | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>study  Two-periods<br>crossover<br>design | Impact of weighted<br>vests on attention,<br>impulse control, and<br>on-task behavior | N = 110 (93 males)  Age: 8.6 +/- 1.7 yo  Diagnosis: ADHD | Weighted west condition (WVC): - 10% of the child's weight Unweighted vest condition (UVC): - Less than 1% of the child's weight | Attention to task CPT-2: Video camera for: - Automatic vocalization - On-seat behavior - Eyes oriented toward the computer's screen - Moves on the chair Impulse control Video camera | Attention to task  WVC>UVC* for inattention; speed and most of the behaviors but not for vocalization.  Impulse control No S.D. | 88% Letts<br>5-13 |  |  |  |  |

| Study   | Design  | Objective   | Sample   | Intervention   | Outcomes  | Results  | Quality              |
|---|---|---|--|--|---|--|----------------------|
| Buckle, Franszen &<br>Bester (2011)           | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Longitudinal<br>quantitative<br>design;<br>cross-over of<br>treatment | Impact of weighted vest on in seat behavior, task completion speed and attention-to-task. | N = 30 (21 males)  Age: 6 to 9 yo  Diagnosis: ADHD and sensory modulation disorder                           | 2 groups: A: 1st WVC and 2nd control condition (CC) B: 1st CC and 2nd WVC  WVC: - 10% of the child's weight - 45min./day Duration: 15 consecutive schooldays               | Video camera: -In seat behavior Measured by the teacher: -Task completion speed Video camera: -Attention-to-task            | In seat behavior: WVC>CC* (group B)  Task completion speed: WVC <cc* (group="" a)="" attention-to-task:="" wvc="">CC*  No long term effects.</cc*>               | 81% Letts<br>5-9-13  |
| Hodgetts, Magill-Evans & Misiaszek<br>(2011a) | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single-case<br>study<br>A-B-A-C                                       | Impact of weighted vest on in seat behaviors.   | N = 10 (8 males)  Age: 3 to 10 yo  Diagnosis: ASD with stereotyped behaviors and sensory modulation disorder | A: Baseline and withdrawal conditions  - 1 w.  - No vest condition (NVC)  B: UVC  - 2 w.  - 20 min./day at the same time.  C: WVC  - 2 w.  - 20 min./day at the same time. | Video camera (percentage of intervals (15s) during which the behaviors are observed): -Attention-to-task -In seat behaviors | In seat behavior: WVC: No improvements Attention-to-task: WVC: Some children improved slightly, high rates of off-task behaviors. Efficacy observed for 1 child. | 80% Letts<br>5-10-11 |

| Study                            | Design  | Objective  | Sample  | Intervention   | Outcomes   | Results                             | Quality                 |
|----------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| VandenBerg (2001)                | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single-case<br>study<br>A-B   | Impact of weighted vest on on-task behavior of children with ADHD. | N = 4 (2 males)  Age: 5 or 6 yo  Diagnosis: ADHD and sensory disorders          | <ul> <li>Fine motor task</li> <li>Weighted vest (5% of the child's weight)</li> <li>15 min., 6 times for 15 days</li> <li>Children could wear the weighted vest even if no data were collected.</li> </ul> | Observation in class<br>(time measured with a<br>stopwatch)<br>-On-task behaviors      | WVC>baseline* for all children      | 75% Letts<br>4-5-7-10   |
| Cox, Gast, Luscre & Ayres (2009) | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single-case<br>study<br>Alternating-<br>treatments<br>designs (A-<br>B-C) | Impact of weighted vest on in-seat behaviors.                      | N = 3 (2 males)  Age: 5 to 9 yo  Diagnosis:  ASD, sensory modulation disorders. | A: Baseline -NVC -Duration: 4 to 5 days  Random alternating treatments A, B and C (5 sessions/phase) -A: NVC -B: UVC -C: WVC (5% of the child's body weight)   | Video camera (sections of 10s intervals coded (percentage of time)): -In-seat behavior | No difference for the 3 conditions. | 71% Letts<br>5-10-11-13 |

| Study   | Design  | Objective   | Sample  | Intervention   | Outcomes   | Results  | Quality                      |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|------------------------------|
| Hodgetts, Magill-Evans &<br>Misiaszek (2011b) | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single case<br>study<br>A-B-C-A | Impact of weighted vest on stereotyped behaviors. | N = 6 (5 males)  Age: 4 to 10 yo  Diagnostics: ASD with stereotyped behaviors and sensory modulation disorder | A: Baseline and withdrawal  - Duration: 1 w.  - NVC  B: UVC  - Duration: 2 w.  - 20 min./day, at the same moment.  C: WVC  - Duration: 2 w.  - 20 min./day  5-10% of the child's weight  | Video camera (percentage of intervals (15s) during which the behaviors are observed): -Stereotyped behaviors | Stereotyped behaviors: Motor: WVC: No reduction Verbal: WVC: Possible reduction for 1 child.                                       | 71% Letts<br>5-10-11-13      |
| Collins & Dworkin (2011)                      | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single-case<br>study<br>A-B-A   | Impact of weighted vest on attention-to-task.     | N = 11 (8 males)  Age: 7 years to 10 yo  Diagnosis:  Attention difficulties                                   | Experimental group -3 to 6 wPhases A and B  A: UVC - Same vest, but weights replaced by polystyrene foam - 3 w. before and after phase B.  B: WVC - OTvest - Weight not mentioned - 3 sessions  Control group -Children never wore a vest. | Video camera (sections of 15s intervals coded (percentage of time)): -Attention-to-task                      | No S.D. between the groups.  WVC: Reduction of attention-to-task for some children (experimental group n=4 and control group n=2). | <b>69% Letts</b> 5-7-9-10-13 |

| Study  | Design   | Objective  | Sample   | Intervention  | Outcomes  | Results   | Quality                     |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|---|-----------------------------|
| Reichow, Barton, Sewell, Good &<br>Wolery (2010) | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single-case<br>study  Alternating-<br>treatments<br>design (A-B-<br>C) | Impact of weighted vest on school engagement, stereotypes behaviors and behavioral problems. | N = 3 males  Age: 4 and 5 yo  Diagnosis: ASD, developmental delays, sensory modulation disorder. | Random condition (Phase A, B or C)  A: NVC -2 sessions  B: WVC -2 sessions -5% of the child's weight  C: UVC - 2 sessions -   | Video camera (percentage of intervals (15s) during which the behaviors are observed): -School engagement -Stereotyped behaviors -Behavioral problem | School engagement: WVC: No difference with the UVC and NVC for the 3 children  Stereotyped behaviors: WVC: Reduction for 1 child  Behavioral problems: WVC : Increase for one child | 67% Letts<br>5-7-10-12-13   |
| Deris, Hagelman, Schilling &<br>DiCarlo (2014)   | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single-case<br>study<br>Alternating-<br>treatments<br>design           | Impact of a weighted vest on attention-to-task and stereotyped behaviors.                    | N = 1 male  Age: 4 yo  Diagnosis:  ASD,  strabismus  | Baseline - Observations during the morning circle time - 10 min. intervals  Treatment Phase -WVC: 10% of the child's weight -Deep pressure vest condition -30 minutes before the morning circle time  NVC | Video camera (frequency of the behaviors) -Attention-to-task -Stereotyped behaviors (autostimulation)   | Attention to task: WVC and deep pressure vest conditions: Small improvements compared to baseline.  Stereotyped behaviors: No difference between the phases                         | 57% Letts<br>4-5-8-10-11-13 |

| Study                                    | Design  | Objective  | Sample   | Intervention  | Outcomes  | Results   | Quality                            |
|--|---|--|--|---|---|---|------------------------------------|
| Myles & al. (2004)                       | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single-case<br>study<br>A-B-A-B | Case 1: Impact of a weighted vest on attention-to-task of a child with ASD.  Case 3: Impact of a weighted vest on attention-to-task and autostimulation behaviors of a child with ASD. | Case 1: N = 1 female Age: 5 yo Diagnosis: ASD  Case 3: N = 1 male Age: 4 yo Diagnosis: ASD  Note: Exclusion of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> child (not aged between 4 to 17 yo) | Case 1: A: NVC (baseline and withdrawal)  B: WVC -10% of the child's weight.  A and B: Support to stay inseat, pictograms, chewing necklace.  Case 3: A: NVC  B: WVC -5% of the child's weight -30 minutes before the activities and withdrawn before they started. | Video camera:  Case 1: Time of the behavior: -Attention-to-task  Case 3: Time of the behavior: -Attention-to-task Frequency of the behavior: -Autostimulation (sensory seeking behavior: deep pressure) | Case 1: WVC: Reduction of the child's attention to task compared to NVC.  Case 3: WVC: S.D. of autostimulation behavior compared to baseline. | <b>53% Letts</b> 4-5-7-8-10-12- 13 |
| Reichow, Barton, Good &<br>Wolery (2009) | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single-case<br>study<br>A-B-A   | Impact of a weighted vest on schoolengagement and behavioral problems.   | N = 1 male Age: 4 yo Diagnosis: ASD and developmental delays   | Beginning of the study: -Child was wearing a weighted vest since 2 years (without a specific protocol of use)  A: NVC (baseline and withdrawal)  B: WVC -Weight equally distributed over the body -10 to 15 min. during school table activities                     | Video Camera (percentage of intervals (10s) during which the behaviors are observed): -School engagement -Behavioral problems   | School engagement: WVC: No systematic effect on engagement compared to NVC.  Behavioral problems: WVC: Increase compared to baseline.         | 50% Letts<br>4-5-7-8-10-11-<br>13  |

| Study                 | Design  | Objective   | Sample   | Intervention  | Outcomes   | Results  | Quality                 |
|-----------------------|---|---|--|---|--|--|-------------------------|
| Fedewa & Erwin (2011) | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single-case<br>study<br>A-B | Impact of therapy<br>balls on in-seat<br>and school<br>engagement<br>behaviors. | N = 8 (6 males)  Average age: 9 yo  Diagnosis: 5 children with ADHD and 3 without a formal diagnosis | A: Baseline - Duration: 2 w.  B: Therapy balls condition (TBC) - Duration: 12 w 1 group - 2 days before data collection therapy balls were used to reduce the novelty effect. | Observation in class (weekly percentage of the time of the behavior): -In-seat behavior -On task behavior  ADHDT: -Hyperactivity -Impulsivity -Inattention | TBC: -Increase of in-seat behavior: 45% (A) to 94% (B) -Increase of on-task behavior: 10% (A) to 80% (B)  ADHDT: S.D*** between baseline and 2 w. post- intervention | <b>80% Letts</b> 5-9-10 |

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| Study   | Design  | Objective  | Sample  | Intervention  | Outcomes   | Results  | Quality                     |
|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|-----------------------------|
| Matin Sadr, Haghgoo, Samadi,<br>Rassafiani, Bakhshi & Hassanabadi<br>(2017) | Quasi-<br>experimental  Single-case study  A-B-A-C                    | Comparison of<br>the impact of<br>standard chair,<br>therapy balls and<br>air cushions on<br>school behaviors.                 | N = 15 (10 males)  Age: 7 to 10 yo  Diagnosis: ASD  | A: Standard chair condition (SCC) 2 times 2 w.  B: TBC or air cushion condition (ACC) -Duration: 2 wAir cushions (n=8) -Therapy balls (n=7) C: TBC or ACC -Duration: 2 wAir cushions (n=7) -Therapy balls (n=8) | Video camera: -In-seat behavior -On-task behavior  | In-seat behavior: -ACC: Improvement for some childrenTBC: Improvement for more than 50% of children  On-task behavior: -ACC: Improvement for 3 children and reduction for 8TBC: Improvement for 8 children (no S.D.) | 80% Letts<br>5-10-13        |
| Oriel, George, Peckus & Semon<br>(2011)                                     | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single-case<br>study<br>Crossover<br>design | Impact of aerobic exercises before school activities on correct academic responses, stereotyped behaviors and task engagement. | N = 9 (7 males)  Age: 3 to 6 yo  Diagnosis: ASD, intellectual disability, developmental delay | A: No intervention condition -Duration: 3w.  B: Aerobic exercises condition (AEC) -Duration: 3 w15 minutes of running before the school activity.   | Observation in class (frequency of the behaviors): -Correct academic responses -Stereotyped behaviors -Task engagement | Correct academic responses: AEC>No intervention condition  Stereotyped behaviors: No S.D. between the 2 conditions  Task engagement: No S.D. between the 2 conditions  | <b>75 % Letts</b> 5-7-10-14 |

| Study  | Design  | Objective  | Sample  | Intervention   | Outcomes  | Results   | Quality                   |
|--|---|--|---|--|---|---|---------------------------|
| Murdock, Dantzler,<br>Walker & Wood (2014)                     | Experimental  Randomized clinical trial                   | Impact of a platform swing on on-task, inseat and stereotyped behaviors.                                   | N = 30 (26 males)  Age: 2 to 6 yo  Diagnosis: ASD  n exp. group = 15 n ctrl. group = 15 | Experimental group: -5 mins of school work, 5 mins of platform swing in a linear slow motion, 5 min. of school work  Control group: - 5 min. of school work, 5 min. of television, 5 min. of school work | Video camera (partial interval time sampling): -On-task behavior -In-seat behavior -Stereotyped behaviors   | All dependent variables: No S.D. between the 2 groups   | 73% PEDro<br>5-6-11       |
| Matin Sadr, Haghgoo,<br>Samadi, Rassafiani &<br>Bakhshi (2015) | study   | Impact of therapy<br>balls, air cushions<br>and standard<br>chairs on on-task<br>and in-seat<br>behaviors. | N= 4 (sex not specified) Age: 7 to 10 yo  Diagnosis: ASD                                | Sitting devices implemented 2 days before baseline  A: SCC  B: TBC  C: ACC  Duration of each phases: 1 w.  | Video camera (percentage of time of the behaviors): -On-task behavior -In-seat behavior   | For the 2 variables: TBC: Variability of the results according to the child, but better than SCC.  ACC: Improvement for all children. | 71% Letts<br>5-10-11-13   |
| Schilling, Washington,<br>Billingsley & Deitz (2003)           | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single-case<br>study<br>A-B-A-B | Impact of therapy<br>balls on in-seat<br>behavior and<br>writing legibility.                               | N = 3 (2 males)  Age: 9 yo  Diagnosis: ADHD, behavioral problems (n=2)                  | A: Baseline and withdrawal (SCC)  B: TBC  A and B: -During a writing task -Observation for 40 mins.  | Video Camera (percentage of intervals (10s) during which the behaviors are observed): -In-seat behavior Comparison to the class mean with a window card method: -Writing legibility | 2 variables: TBC: Improvement for all children  | 64% Letts<br>5-7-10-11-13 |

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| Study                       | Design   | Objective   | Sample                                    | Intervention  | Outcomes   | Results   | Quality                       |
|-----------------------------|--|---|---|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Van Rie & Heflin (2009)     | Quasi-<br>experimental  Single-case study  Alternating treatment design                  | Impact of sensorial activities on production of correct academic responses. | N = 4 males Age: 6 to 7 yo Diagnosis: ASD | Experimental intervention: -Swinging in a slow linear motion or rapid bouncing on a therapy ball5 min. before academic instructions  Control intervention: -Teacher read a story book chosen by the child -5 min. before academic instructions. | Number of correct responses / number of responses opportunities (%): -Correct responses to academic instruction          | Variability of the results according to the child   | 64% Letts<br>5-7-10-11-13     |
| Schilling & Schwartz (2004) | Quasi-<br>experimental  Single-case study  A-B-A-B (for 3 children), B-A-B (for 1 child) | Impact of therapy<br>balls on in-seat<br>behavior and task<br>engagement.   | N=4 males Age: 3 to 4 yo Diagnosis: ASD   | A: baseline and withdrawal (standard seating device)  B: TBC -Minimum 2 school wAt school: Activity and moment of use individualized for each child.  | Video Camera (percentage of intervals (10s) during which the behaviors are observed): -In-seat behavior -Task engagement | 2 variables: TBC: Improvement for all the children. | <b>64% Letts</b> 5-7-10-11-13 |

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| Study  | Design  | Objective   | Sample  | Intervention  | Outcomes   | Results   | Quality                          |
|--|---|---|---|---|--|---|----------------------------------|
| Neely, Rispoli, Gerow et Ninci (2015)        | Quasi-<br>experimental  Single-case study  Alternating treatment design | Impact of physical exercise before academic instruction on task engagement and stereotyped behaviors. | N = 2 (1 male) Age: 7 and 8 yo Diagnosis: ASD                       | 1 time per day, 3 to 4 times per w. during 10 to 12 w.  A: No intervention condition -No antecedent exercise  B: Brief duration of antecedent exercise - 20% of the time to satiation - Jumping on a trampoline  C: Antecedent exercise until behavioral indication of satiation -After 3 hypothesized behavioral indicator of satiation -Jumping on a trampoline | Video Camera (percentage of intervals (10s) during which the behaviors are observed): -Task engagements -Stereotyped behaviors | Task engagement: C>B>A  Stereotyped behaviors: C <a< th=""><th><b>64 % Letts</b> 5-7-10-11-13</th></a<> | <b>64 % Letts</b> 5-7-10-11-13   |
| Nicholson, Kehle, Bray<br>& Van Heest (2011) | Quasi-<br>experimental  Single-case study  Multiple baseline design     | Impact of physical exercise on task engagement.   | N = 4 males Age: 9 yo Diagnosis: ASD (higher cognitive functioning) | Intervention: - Jogging for 12 min., 5 min. of walking and stretching Support during jogging when needed.   | Video camera (percentage of total task engagement time): Task engagement   | Effect size<br>demonstrated that<br>physical exercise<br>improved task<br>engagement.                   | <b>57 % Letts</b> 4-5-7-10-11-13 |

| Study   | Design  | Objective   | Sample   | Intervention   | Outcomes   | Results  | Quality                          |
|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|----------------------------------|
| Bagatell, Mirigliani, Patterson, Reyes &<br>Test (2010) | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single-case<br>study<br>A-B-C | Impact of therapy<br>balls on in-seat<br>behavior and task<br>engagement. | N =6 males  Age: kindergarten and 1st grade  Diagnosis: ASD  | A: Baseline -Duration: 5 days -During circle time -SCC  B: TBC -Duration: 9 days -Teacher also sat on a therapy ball  C: Choice condition -Duration: 5 days -Each child chose each day his sitting device (standard chair or therapy ball) | Video camera (total number of seconds of the behavior): -In seat behavior -Task engagement   | 2 variables: -Variability of the results according to the child and its sensory characteristics. *Therapy balls may be effective for vestibular and proprioceptive sensory seeking children. | <b>57 % Letts</b> 4-5-7-10-11-13 |
| Pfeiffer, Henry, Miller & Witherell (2008)              | Experimental  Randomized clinical trial                 | Impact of Disc'O' Sit cushion on attention to task.                       | N = 63 (sex<br>not specified)  Age: 7 to 9 yo  Diagnosis: Attention difficulties (score at the BRIEF: higher than 15) without inner ear difficulties. n exp. group = 31 n ctrl. group = 32 | Experimental group: -Duration: 2 w Disc'O' Sit cushion  Control group: -Duration: 2 wStandard chair  | BRIEF administered by the teacher or its assistant:  Attention to task: -Self-control -Problem solving -Behavioral regulation -metacognition | Attention to task: Experimental group>control group  | <b>55% PEDro</b> 3-5-6-7-9       |

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| Study                | Design  | Objective  | Sample  | Intervention   | Outcomes  | Results  | Quality                              |
|----------------------|---|--|---|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| Umeda & Deitz (2011) | Quasi-<br>experimental<br>Single-case<br>study<br>A-B-A-B-C | Impact of air cushion on inseat and on-task behaviors. | N = 2 males  Age: 5 and 6 yo  Diagnosis: ASD, delays in cognitive and language development, disruptive self-stimulatory behaviors, low muscle tone. | A: Baseline and withdrawal -Duration: 2 to 3 wSCC during math classes  B: ACC -Duration: 2 to 3 wDuring math classes  C: Choice condition -1.5 wEach child chose each day his sitting device (standard chair or air cushion) | Video Camera (percentage of intervals (10s) during which the behaviors are observed): -In-seat behavior -On-task behavior | 2 variables: No S.D. between the ACC and SCC (variability of the results during all the study) | <b>50 % Letts</b> 4-5-7-10-11-13- 16 |

| Design                                  | Objective   | Sample   | Intervention  | Outcomes   | Results   | Qu                |
|---|---|--|---|--|---|-------------------|
| Experimental Randomized clinical trial  | Impact of sensory integration therapy on executive functions.   | N = 20 males Average age: 8 yo Diagnosis: ADHD n exp. group = 10 n ctrl. group = 10  | 12 sessions (2 per w.)  Experimental group: -Activities that promote balance, space awareness, motor planning and coordination, visual and auditory attention, auditory and visual memory, and eye- hand coordinationTactile activities  Control group: - Not specified | Conner's Behavior Rating Scale Parents: -Executive functions   | S.D.** between the experimental and control group (sensory integration therapy increased executive functions).  | 64% P.<br>3-5-6-7 |
| Experimental  Randomized clinical trial | Impact of sensory integration therapy and perceptual-motor training on sensorimotor skills and language cognitive and academic performance. | N = 30 (21 males)  Age: 6 to 8 yo  Diagnosis: Learning disability, sensory disorders  n group 1 = 10 n group 2 = 10 n group 3 = 10 | Group 1: -Sensory integration therapy -24 sessions of lh. (1 per w.)  Group 2: -Perceptual-motor training  Group 3: -Control group: no treatment  | BOT-2: -Fine and global motor skills (sensorimotor skills)  VMI and SCSIT: -Perceptual-motor skills (sensorimotor skills)  WRAT and WISC-R/WPPSI: -Cognitive, academic and language performance  TOLD: -Language performance  Clinical observations: -Praxis -Vestibular functioning | Global motor skills: -BOT-2 Gross Motor measure: S.I. compared to group 3. S.I. of group 1 for the strength measure compared to groups 2 and 3.  Perceptual-motor skills: -SCSIT (Motor Accuracy-Right measure): S.I. of group 1 compared to groups 2 and 3.  Other variables: No significant differences | 64% P.<br>3-5-6-9 |

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| Design                                 | Objective  | Sample  | Intervention  | Outcomes  | Results   | Qu             |
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| Experimental Randomized clinical trial | Impact of sensory integration therapy and perceptual motor training on sensorimotor skills and academic performance. | N = 103 (sex not specified)  Age: 4 to 9 yo  Diagnosis: Learning disability and sensory disorders  n group 1 = 35 n group 2 = 35 n group 3 = 33 | Group 1: -Perceptual-motor training -3h. per w. (total of 72 h.)  Group 2: -Sensory integration therapy -3h. per w. (total of 72 h.)  Group 3: -Control group: no treatment | BOT-2: -Global motor skills  VMI and SCSIT: -Visual perception  Clinical observations: -Motor planning -Vestibular functioning  Zaner-Bloser Printing Evaluation Scale and Basic School Scale Inventory: -Handwriting readiness -Copying quality  CPT: -Attentional skills  WRAT: -Academic, language and cognitive skills. | Global motor skills: -S.I. of group 1 compared to group 2 and 3.  S.I. of group 1 compared to group 3 for the bilateral coordination component.  S.I. of group 1 compared to group 2 for the balance component.  Visual perception: -S.I. of group 1 compared to group 2 for the SCSIT-design copying component.  Motor planning: -S.I of group 2 compared to groups 1 and 3.  Other variables: No S.D. between the 3 groups. | 64% P. 3-5-6-9 |

| Design                                 | Objective  | Sample   | Intervention   | Outcomes  | Results   | Qu  |
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| Experimental Randomized clinical trial | Impact of sensory integration therapy on academic skills, fine motor skills, global motor skills, self-esteem and behaviors. | N = 29 (sex<br>not specified)  Age: 5 to 9 yo  Diagnosis: Sensory disorders and motor difficulties  n <sub>sensory integration</sub> therapy group = 14 n <sub>tutoring group</sub> = 15 | Sensory integration group: -Sensory integration therapy -Implemented by 2 occupational therapists -75 to 80 individual sessions -50 min., 2 times per w.  Tutoring group: -In a calm classroom -Implemented by teachers -75 to 80 individual sessions -50 min., 2 times per w. | Woodcock-Johnson Psychoeducational Test Battery: -Academic skills  VMI, SCSIT (Design Copying and Motor Accuracy Test-Revised) and Handwriting Scale: -Visual-motor skills  BOT-2 and SCSIT (Motor Accuracy Test-Revised): -Fine motor skills  BOT-2 and Clinical Observations of Motor and Postural Skills: -Global motor skills  Test of ocular poursuit: -Ocular control | All variables: -6 months' posttest: No S.D. between groups, except for behaviors (Tutoring>sensory integration therapy*)  -12 months' posttest: No S.D. between the groups. | e====<br>outcom<br>====<br>Miller<br>Assess:<br>Presche<br>(Behavi<br>Observa<br>Forms) |

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| Design                                  | Objective   | Sample   | Intervention   | Outcomes  | Results  | Qu                 |
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| Experimental  Randomized clinical trial | Impact of sensory integration therapy on perceptual processing dysfunction and academic performance | N = 87 (66 males) Age: 6 to 11 yo  Diagnosis: Learning disability, sensory disorders n exp. gorup=46 n ctrl group=41 | Experimental group: -Sensory integration therapy -Implemented by an occupational therapist -45 min., 2 or 3 times per wDuration: 9 months (66 sessions)  Control group | Perceptual processing dysfunction: Target Test: -Visual tracking -Attention -Immediate memory  Underlining Test: -Rapid visual perceptual analysis  Academic performance: Gates-MacGinitie: -Reading comprehension  WRAT: -Spelling -Reading-Decoding -Arithmetic | All variables: No S.D. between experimental and control group. | 54% Pi<br>1-3-5-6- |

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| Design                                 | Objective   | Sample   | Intervention   | Outcomes  | Results  | Qu                 |
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| Experimental Randomized clinical trial | Impact of sensory integration therapy on vocabulary, reading, language, handwriting, motor skills, sensory integration and classroom behaviors. | N = 74 (sex not specified)  Age: 5 first elementary schooly. (≈until 11 yo)  Diagnosis: ADD, learning disability, sensory disorders nexp. group = 39 nctrl. group = 35 | Experimental group: -Ayres's sensory integration therapy (activities individualized for each child) -13 sessions -1h per w.  Control group: -No intervention | Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test: -Vocabulary  Burt Word Reading Test and Neale Analysis of Reading ability: -Reading  Bankson Language Screening Test -Language  Local test adapted by the author: -Writting  BOT-2 (short form): -Motor skills  SCSIT: -Sensory Integration  Conner's Teacher Questionnaire: -Classroom behavior | All variables:  No S.D. between the experimental and control groups, except for the Visual  Matching, a subtest of the Bankson Language Screening Test (Exp.group > Ctrl.group)* | 45% P.<br>2-3-5-6- |

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Notes. S.D. = significant difference; S.I. = significant improvement; exp. = experimental; ctrl. = control; ASD = autism spectrum disorder; ADHD = attention deficit disorder with hyperactivity; ADD = attention deficit disorder; N = number of participants; WVC = weighted vest condition; UVC = unweighted vest condition; NVC = no vest condition; TBC = therapy ball condition; ACC = air cushion condition; SCC = standard chair condition; AEC = aerobic exercise condition; CPT-2 = Conners' Continuous Performance Test-II; PDMS-2 = Peabody Developmental Motor Scales—Second Edition; VMI = Developmental Test of Visual-Motor Integration; PLS-3 = Preschool Language Scale-3; ETCH = Evaluation Tool of Children's Handwriting; ADHDT = Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder Test; BRIEF = Behavior Rating Inventory of Executive Function; BOT-2 = Bruininks-Oseretsky Test of Motor Proficiency, Second Edition; SCSIT = Southern California Sensory Integration Tests WRAT = Wide Range Achievement Test; WISC-R = Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children; TOLD = Test of Language Development — Primary;

\* =p<0,05; \*\*=p<0,01; \*\*\*=p<0,01

\* Criteria of the French version of the Letts and al. (2007) critical review form for quantitative studies Also, the French-Canadian version of the PEDro scale: 1. Clear study purpose; 2. Relevant background literature reviewed; 3. Study design; 4. Description of the sampling method; 5. Justification of the sample size; 6. Reliability of the outcome measures; 7. Validity of the outcomes measures; 8. Description of the intervention; 9. Contamination avoided; 10. Cointerventions avoided. 11. Results reported in term of statistical significance; 12. Appropriate statistical analysis methods; 13. Clinical importance reported; 14. Appropriate analysis methods of statistical importance; 14. Drop-outs reported; 15. Appropriate conclusions; 17. Implications for the practice mentioned.

\*Criteria of the French-Canadian version of the PEDro scale (Brosseau and al., 2015): 1. Eligibility criteria specified; 2. Subjects randomly allocated to groups; 3. Allocation concealed; 4. Similar groups at baseline regarding the most important prognostic indicators; 5. Blinding of all subjects; 6. Blinding of all therapist who administered the therapy; 7. Blinding of all assessors who measured at least one outcome; 8. Measures of at least one key outcome obtained from more than 85% of the subjects initially allocated to groups; 9. All subjects for whom outcome measures were available received the treatment or control condition as allocated or data for at least one key outcome was analysed by "intention to treat"; 10. Results of betweengroup statistical comparisons reported for at least one key outcome; 11. The study provides both point measures and measures of variability for at least one key outcome.



