

# Researcher publishes a study of psychopathy and criminal behavior

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University of Huddersfield researcher, Dr Daniel Boduszek, has co authored a an article in the *Journal of Ciminal Psychology* that analyses the relationship between psycopathy and criminal behaviour.

The paper provides a critical review of psychopathy literature, with a particular focus on recent research examining the relationship between psychopathy and various forms of [criminal behaviour](#).

The results indicate that substantial [empirical research](#) exists to suggest that psychopathy is a robust predictor of criminal behaviour and recidivism. Furthermore, considerable support for the assertion that the violence perpetrated by psychopathic offenders is more instrumental than the violence committed by other offenders was found.

In addition, some research suggests that the greater use of instrumental violence among psychopathic offenders may be due to the Interpersonal-Affective traits of psychopathy, and not the Impulsive-Antisocial traits.

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