Abstract
This paper reviews Immediacy Theory which posits a mechanism making schizophrenic behavior preponderantly controlled by stimuli immediate in the patients environment. It reviewed all studies of schizophrenia in the 2003 year of the Journal of Abnormal Psychology. Of those 12 studies, nine were found to confirm that mechanism and three not to be relevant.

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Schizophrenia, Immediacy hypothesis, behavioral mechanism, context, conditioning.