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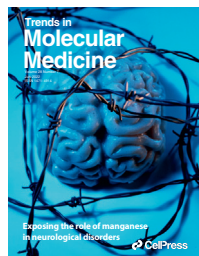
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**On the cover:** Excess exposure to metals has been associated with aberrant neurodevelopment and neurodegenerative diseases and is thought to be a prominent group of environmental risk factors in neurological disorders. On pages 555–568, Kim *et al.* review recent advances in our understanding of the role of manganese as pathological contributor in neurodevelopmental and neurodegenerative diseases. The cover shows a brain swathed in barbed wire, a product that may contain manganese. Cover image by Tommy Flynn via Getty Images.

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