

SUGGESTED ALGORITHM FOR REVIEWING A SCIENTIFIC PAPER

Preparation For Cardiac Anesthesia Journal Club

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I. What is the study question?

II. Is this an important questions? Why?

III. Study Design

Target population?

Accessible population? (? Appropriate)

Subject inclusion criteria?

Exclusion criteria?

Sampling Technique

Probability

- simple random (random number table)
- systematic sampling (periodic process)
- stratified random sampling
- cluster sampling

Non-Probability

- consecutive sampling
- convenience sampling
- judgmental sampling

Measures

Types

- continuous
- discrete
- categorical
- nominal
- ordinal
- dichotomous

Precision – (random error)

Accuracy – (bias)

Predictor variables

Confounders

Outcome variable

Statistical issues

- Study power

IV. Study results

V. Study conclusion