

Case series

A [case](#) series (also known as a clinical series) is a type of medical [research study](#) that tracks subjects with a known exposure, such as patients who have received a similar treatment, or examines their [medical records](#) for exposure and [outcome](#).

The concept of “case series” is not well defined in the literature and does not reflect a specific research design. Abu-Zidan et al. suggested that a case series should have more than four patients while four patients or fewer should be reported individually as [case reports](#) ¹⁾.

see [Consecutive case series](#).

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Abu-Zidan FM, Abbas AK, Hefny AF. Clinical “case series”: a concept analysis. Afr Health Sci. 2012 Dec;12(4):557-62. PMID: 23515566; PMCID: PMC3598300.

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