

Irrelevant

Irrelevant, in the context of clinical research, refers to any data, result, or conclusion that **adds no meaningful value** to medical knowledge because it:

- Merely confirms what is **already well-known**.
- **Does not influence** clinical decision-making or practice.
- Lacks **real-world applicability**.
- Is based on an **outdated or trivial research question**.

Key Characteristics

- Fails to address a **current clinical need**.
- Provides **obvious or trivial conclusions**.
- Methodologically correct but **conceptually useless**.
- Statistically significant yet **clinically meaningless**.

Example

Context	Why It's Irrelevant
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Study shows contrast MRI is better for DVA	Already established in the literature
Precise measurements with no clinical use	Adds no actionable insight for practitioners
Research on obsolete imaging techniques	Not applicable to modern diagnostic workflow

Best Practice

- Formulate research questions that challenge current assumptions.
- Prioritize studies that can **change guidelines or improve outcomes**.

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