

Seminal

Describes a work, idea, or discovery that is **highly original, influential, and foundational**, serving as a **starting point for further development** in a given field of knowledge, research, or clinical practice.

□ Usage in Context:

* **"This was a seminal paper in neuro-oncology."**

→ The paper introduced concepts or findings that ****shaped future research or clinical approaches****.

* **"His seminal contribution to brain mapping..."**

→ He made an ****original and transformative**** contribution that laid the groundwork for later advances.

□ Key Features of a Seminal Work:

* First to introduce a major idea or method. * Heavily cited and referenced. * Alters the trajectory of a field. * Inspires subsequent research or clinical application.

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