

# Performing a Meta-analysis

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*A meta-analysis uses statistical methods to summarize the results of a systematic review.*

- Meta-analysis = study of studies
- Meta-analyses use statistical methods to analyze the findings in multiple studies
- Meta-analyses can include a pooled estimate and confidence interval for the treatment effect after combining all the studies; test for whether the treatment or risk factor effect is statistically significant and test for heterogeneity between the studies

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