Step by step I am developing an online tutorial of methodology and present important elements of methodology for medical practitioners and those interested in medicine, for journalists and methodological laypersons and students. In the end, it will become a small study compendium. Guest contributions are welcome.

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