

Possible relationships

Effects of chronic medical condition A on HRQoL	Effects of chronic medical condition B on HRQoL	Additive	Subtractive*	Synergistic*
Lowers HRQoL	Lowers HRQoL	Lowering of HRQoL approximates the sum of the independent effects of conditions A and B.	Lowering of HRQoL is <u>less</u> than expected in an additive relationship.	Lowering of HRQoL is <u>more</u> than expected in an additive relationship.
Improves HRQoL	Improves HRQoL	Improvement in HRQoL approximates the sum of the independent effects of conditions A and B.	Improvement in HRQoL is <u>less</u> than expected in an additive relationship.	Improvement in HRQoL is <u>more</u> than expected in an additive relationship.
Lowers HRQoL	Improves HRQoL	Net effect [†] : Lowering of HRQoL approximates the sum of the independent effects of conditions A and B.	Lowering of HRQoL is <u>less</u> than expected in an additive relationship.	Lowering of HRQoL is <u>more</u> than expected in an additive relationship.
Lowers HRQoL	Improves HRQoL	Net effect [†] : Improvement in HRQoL approximates the sum of the independent effects of conditions A and B.	Improvement in HRQoL is <u>less</u> than expected in an additive relationship.	Improvement in HRQoL is <u>more</u> than expected in an additive relationship.