

Example 1.

Patient	Intervention	Control	Outcomes
Patients with reduced left ventricular function (<30%) after MI (narrow criteria)	Implantable defibrillator	Conventional medical treatment	Overall mortality at 2 years (<i>narrow criteria</i>)
Patients with reduced left ventricular function (ejection fraction not specified) after MI (broad criteria)			
Patients with reduced left ventricular function no other specified (<i>broadest criteria</i>)			

Example 2

Patient	Intervention	Control	Outcomes
Adults with knee osteoarthritis (chronic and decompensated) (narrow criteria)	Ibuprofen cream (narrow criteria)	Placebo (narrow criteria)	Response rate (reduction of pain on motion, self-assessed on visual analog scale)
Patients with osteoarthritis (broad criteria)	Any topical NSAID (broad criteria)	Placebo or no treatment (broad criteria)	
Patients with joint pain (broadest criteria)			

MI, myocardial infarction; NSAID, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug.