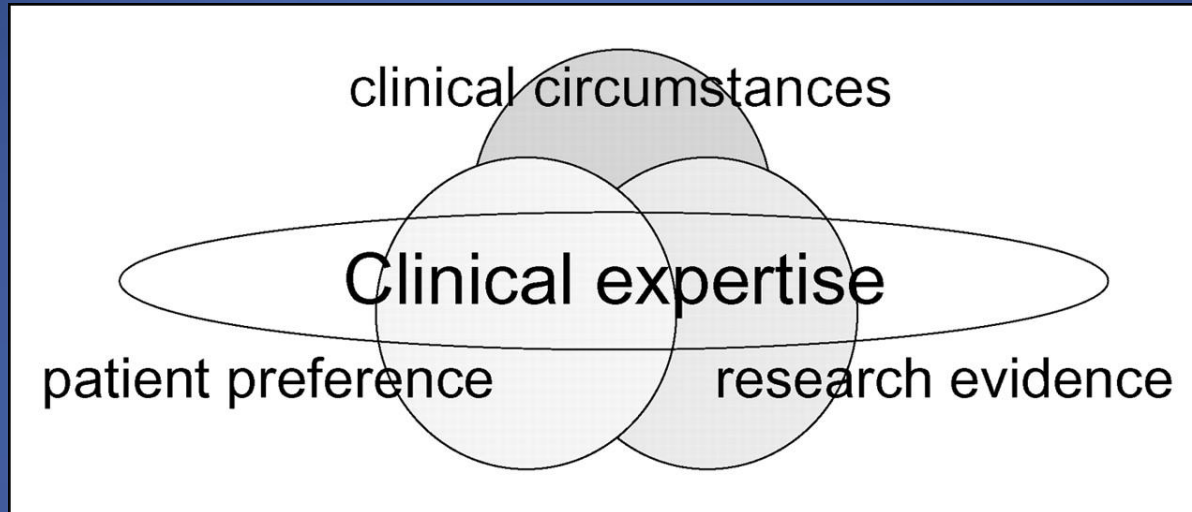


# Targeting the Individual



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# objectives

- Utilize 2 point of care tools in patient care
- Determine patient specific estimates of benefit and harm
- Apply population based evidence to individual patients

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- Demonstrate how to access and use 2 point of care tools
  - Essential Evidence Plus
  - Dynamed
- “Arc of Applicability”
- Helping patients make decisions
  - Developing patient specific risk estimates
  - Decision aids

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Integrate the evidence with clinical expertise and patient circumstances.



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Evaluate our efficiency in executing the previous steps. Audit success in basing practice on the evidence. Identify areas for future research.



where do you get information to  
answer clinical questions?



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	Background ?	Foreground ?
Rare	Textbooks	Unfiltered Database (e.g. MEDLINE)
Common		Filtered/ Pre-appraised Evidence

essential evidence Plus &  
DynaMed



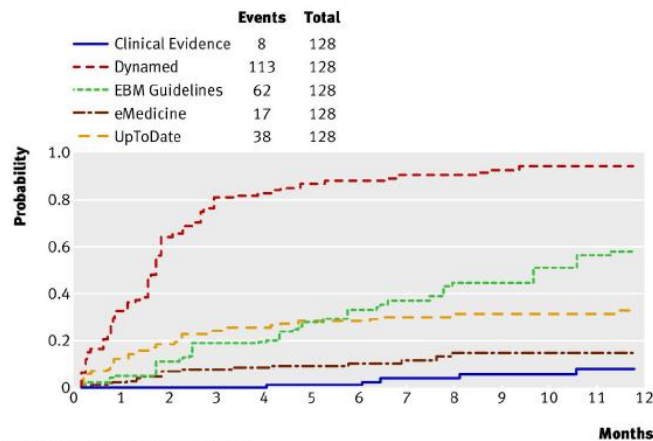
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# How up to date are resources?

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**Table 2| Proportions of citations of 128 systematic reviews by point of care summaries over time (ordered by ranking at nine months) and hazard ratios between top performer (Dynamed) and other summaries**

Summary	At 3 months (%)	At 6 months (%)	At 9 months (%)	HR (95% CI)
Dynamed	77	84	87	Reference
EBM Guidelines	18	31	41	0.22 (0.17 to 0.29)
UpToDate	23	27	29	0.14 (0.09 to 0.21)
eMedicine	7	9	12	0.05 (0.03 to 0.09)
Clinical Evidence	0	1	4	0.03 (0.01 to 0.05)



	No of systematic reviews at risk of being cited												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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Dynamed	128	83	41	22	20	15	14	10	8	6	3	2	1
EBM Guidelines	128	118	107	98	97	87	79	71	51	46	33	21	17
eMedicine	128	117	108	107	106	105	103	98	68	62	53	38	32
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**Fig 1** Updating curves for relevant evidence (128 systematic reviews) by point of care information summaries (log rank  $\chi^2=404$ ,  $P<0.001$ )

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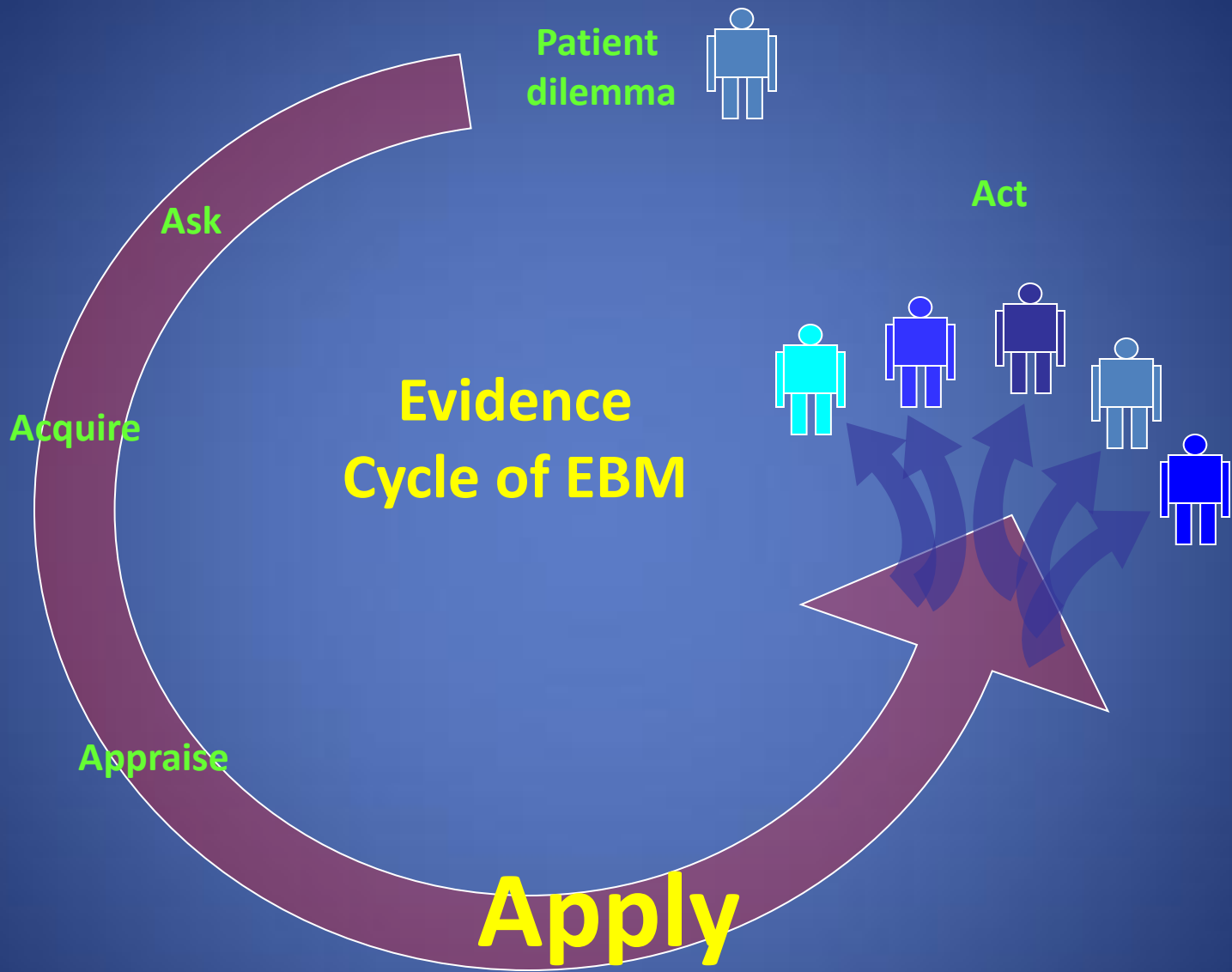
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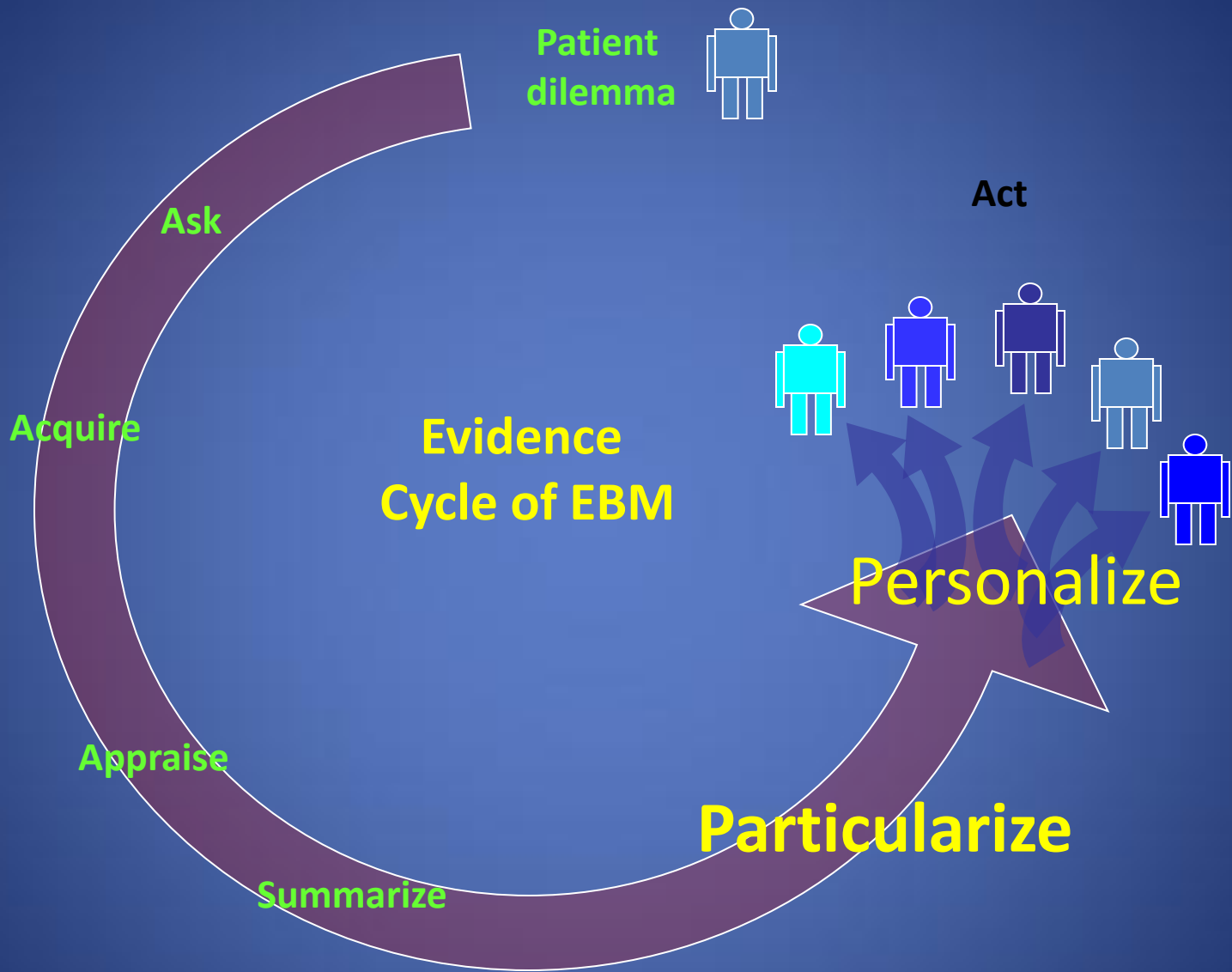


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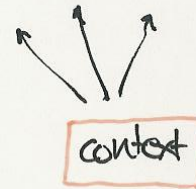
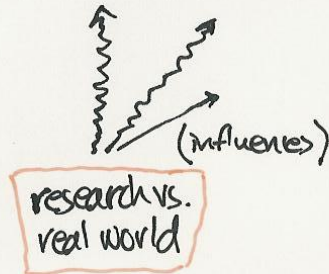
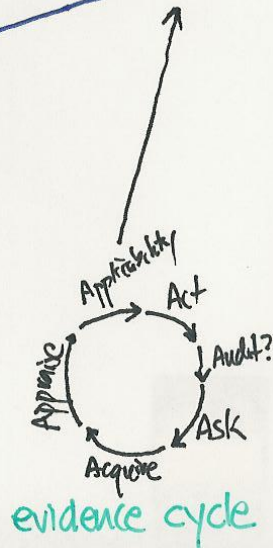
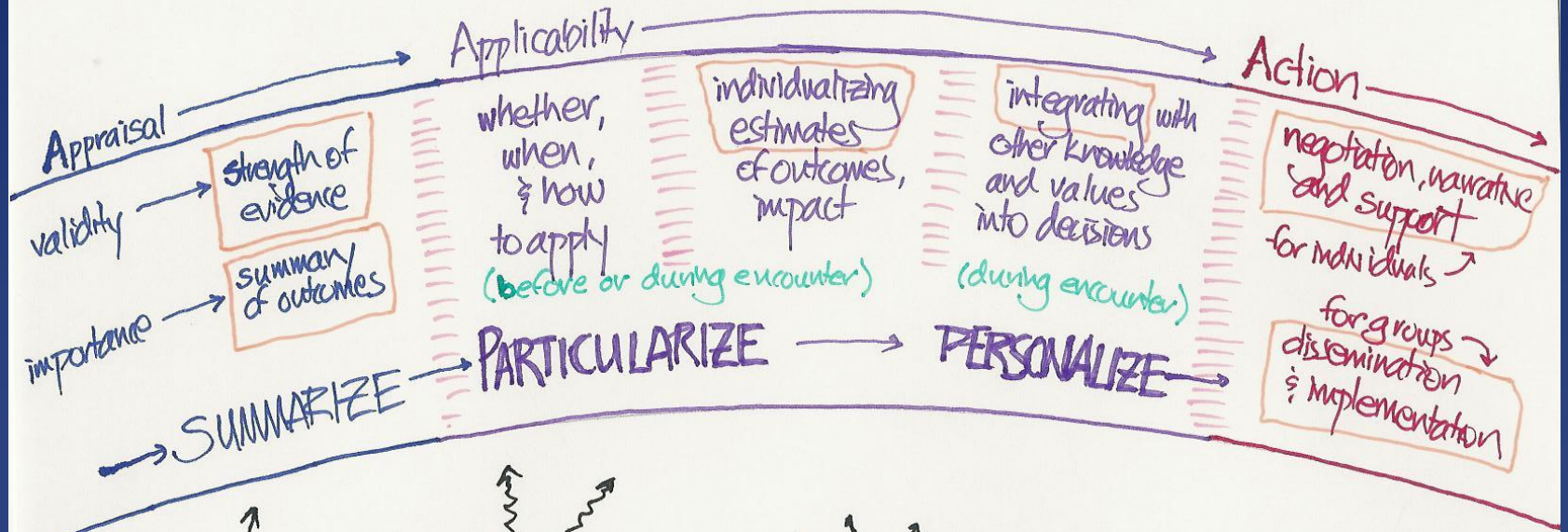
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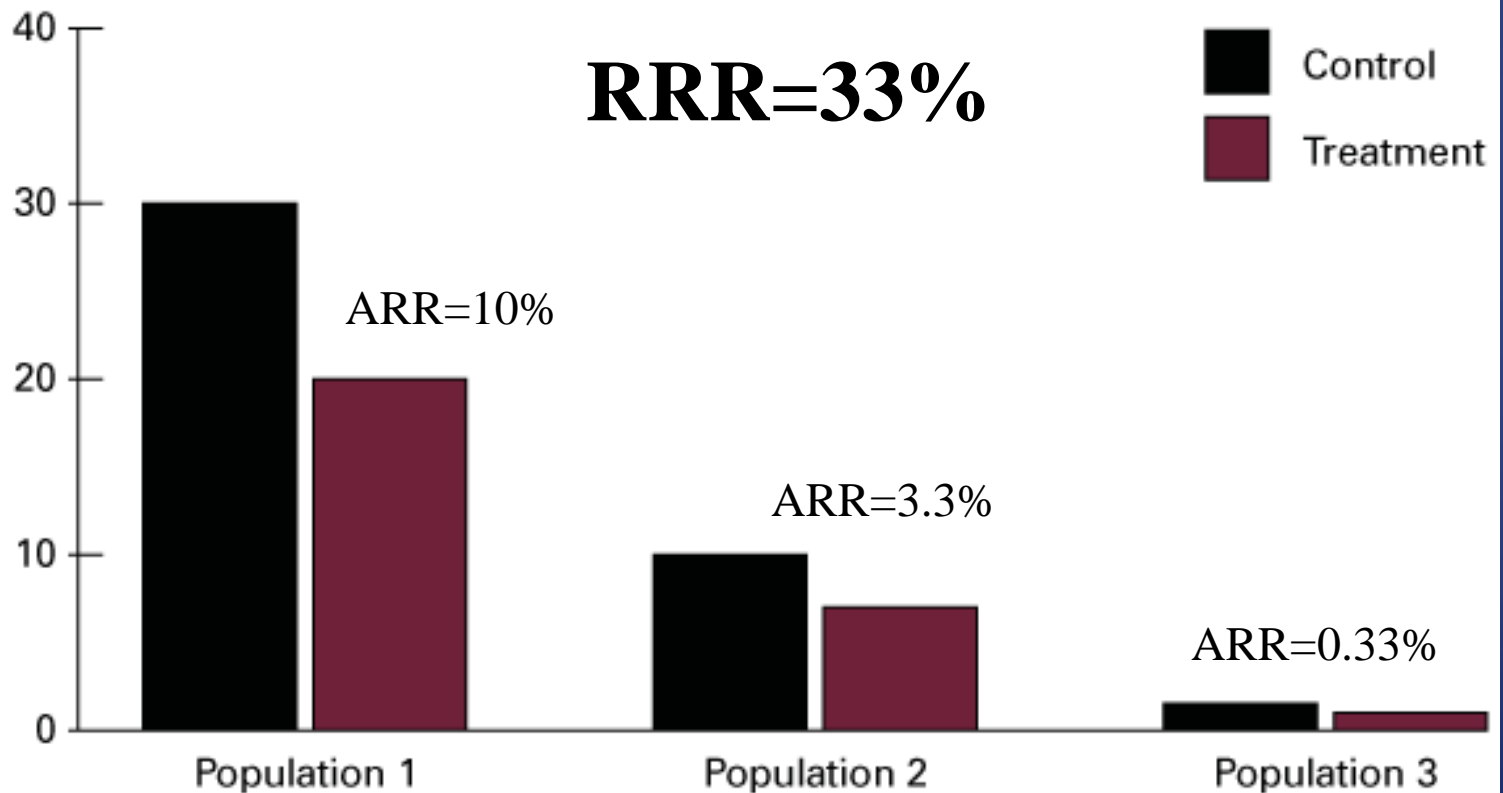
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- Effects seen in a trial are average effects of all participants in a trial
  - Some subgroups gain more benefit and others less benefit
- Relative measures of effectiveness (RRR) of in intervention are similar across patients groups
- Absolute benefit varies by baseline risk

# Relative vs. Absolute Risk Reduction

FIGURE 2B2-3

## Constant Relative Risk With Varying Risk Differences



NNT

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here can we get individualized  
estimates of a patient's baseline  
risk?

- Clinical prediction rules
- Prognostic studies
- Subgroups from RCTs
- Guess

calculating a patient specific

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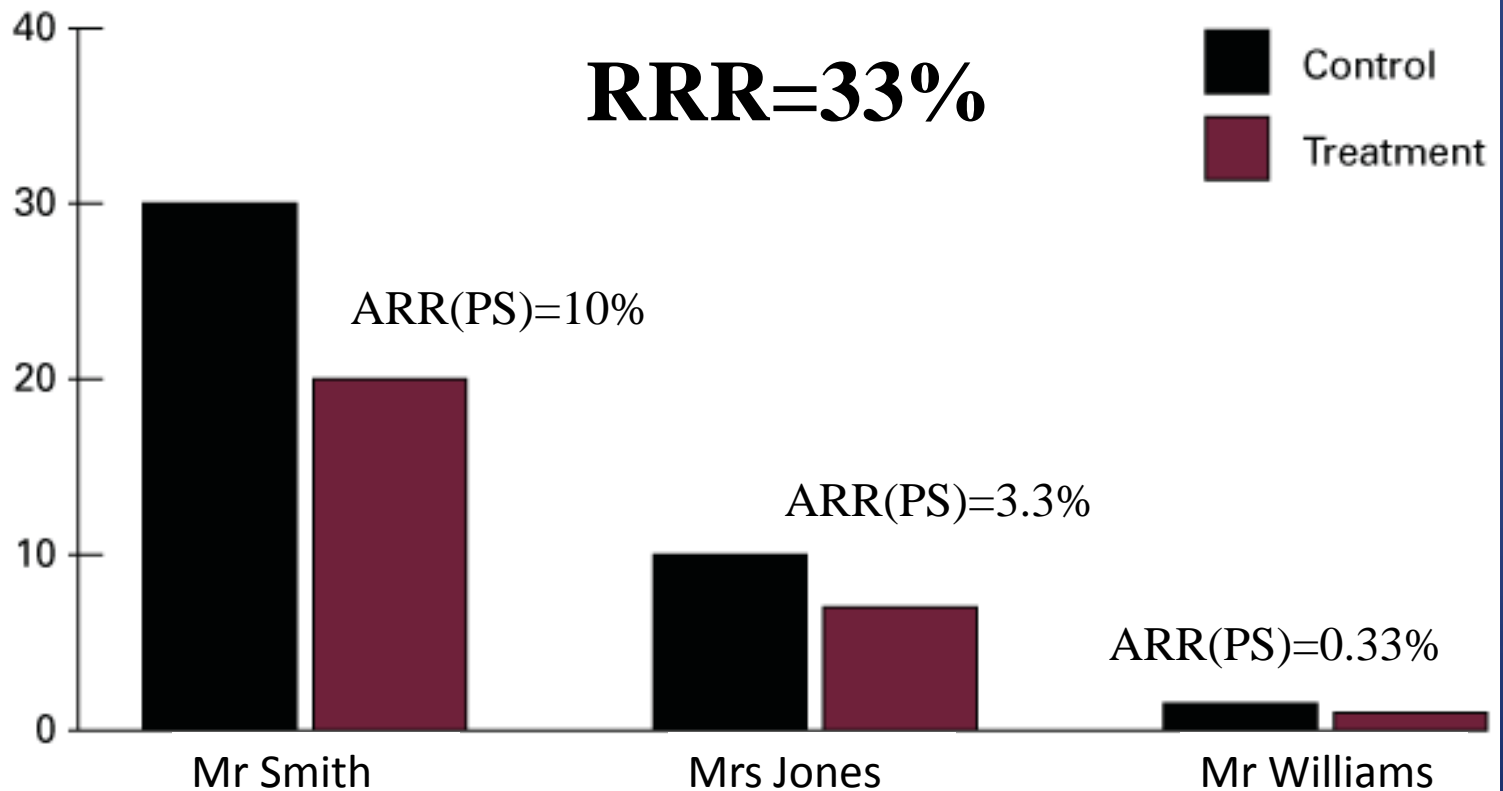
$$NNT_{ps} = 1 / (PEER \times RRR)$$

- PEER (patient expected event rate = baseline risk)
- RRR (from the study)

# Examples of patient specific results

FIGURE 2B2-3

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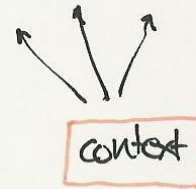
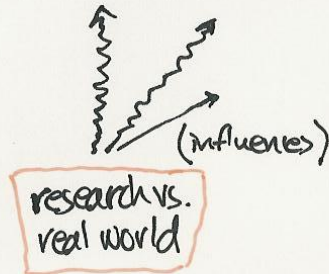
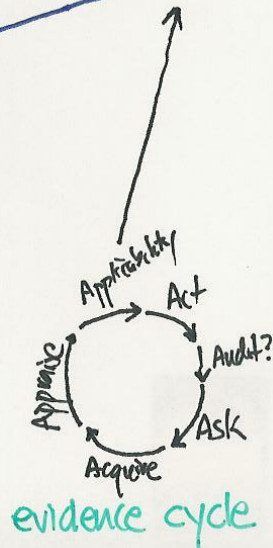
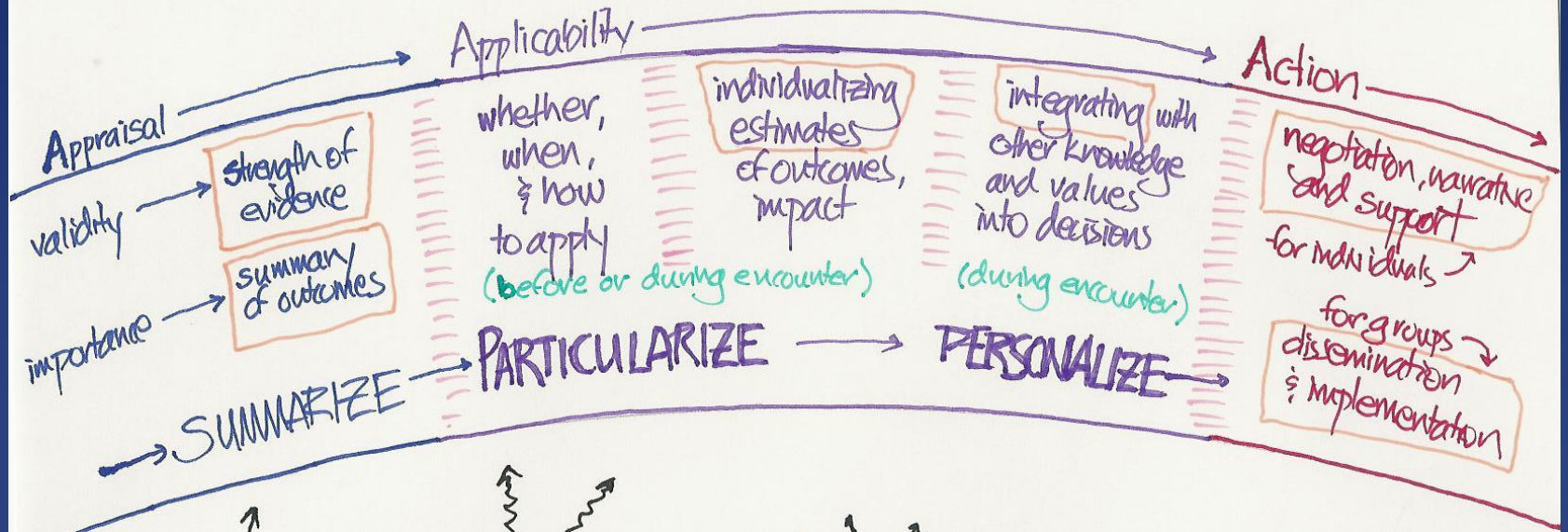
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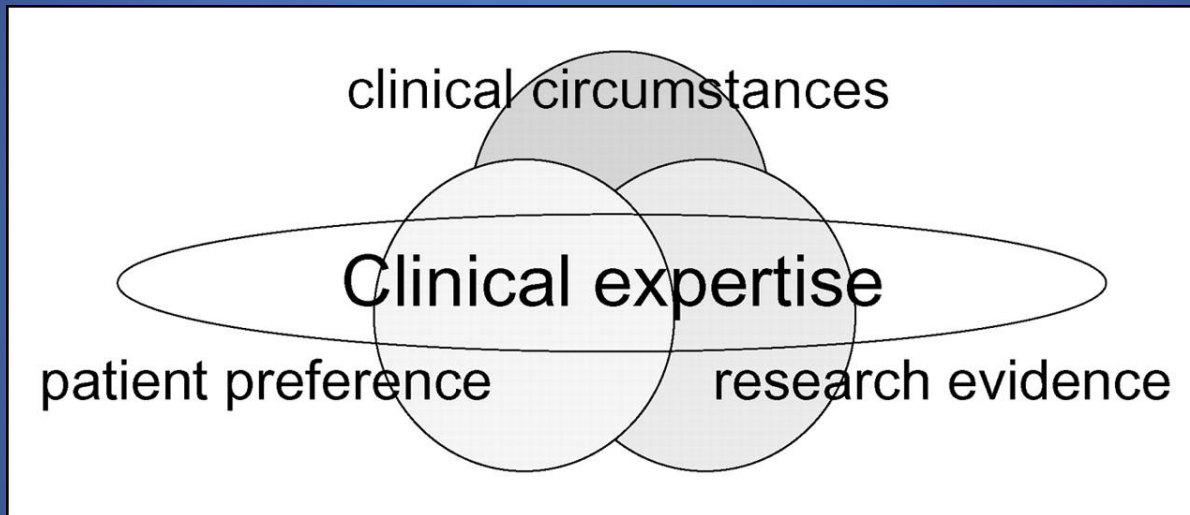
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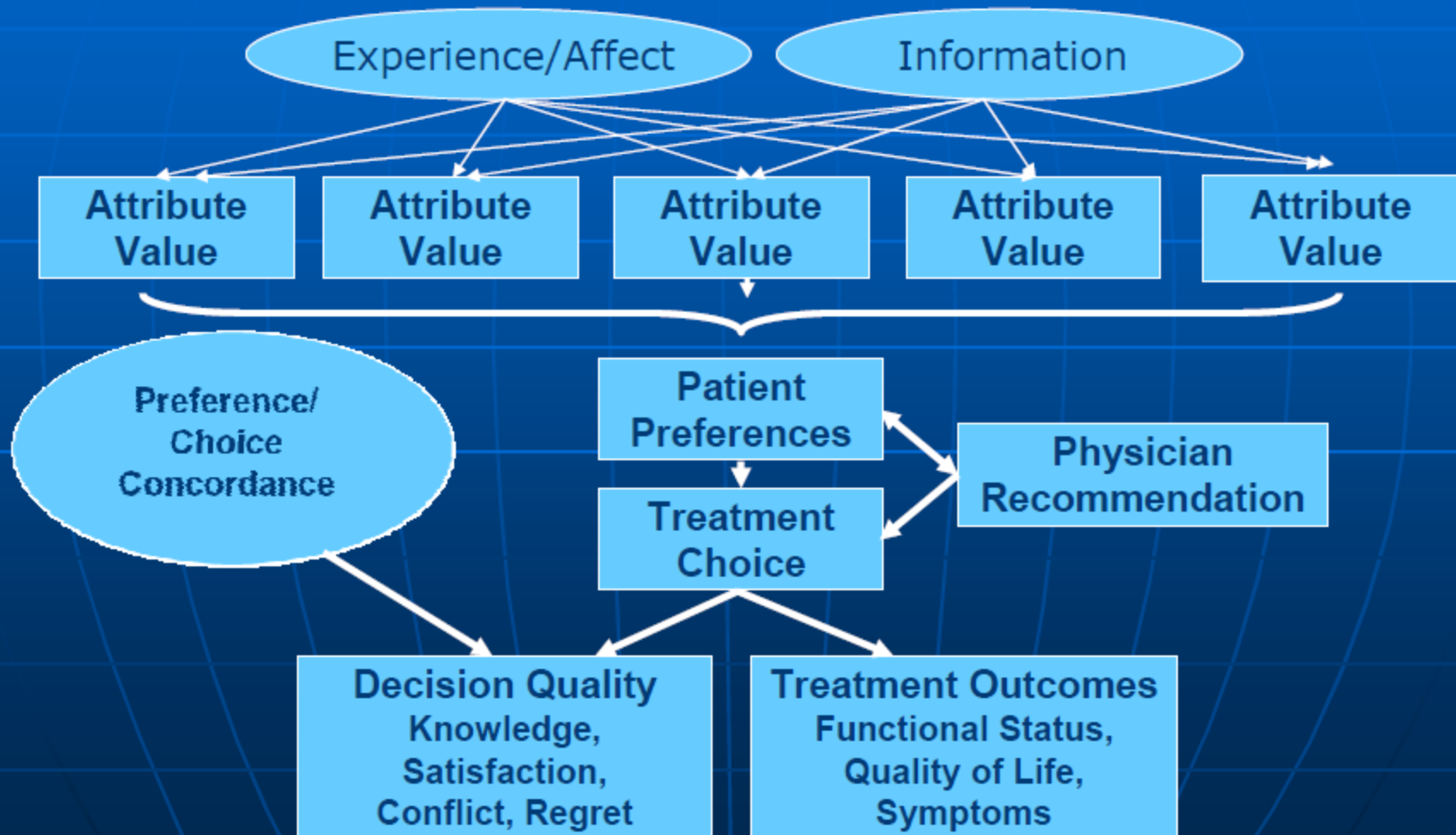


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# What is it?



# Individual Decision Making Model



# Incorporating patient values and preferences

1. Does the patient want to be involved in the decision making process?

- Physician information provider only
- Physician provides information and makes decision
- Patient/physician collaborate (decision facilitator)

2. Elicit values

- Different methods from formal (standard gamble, time trade off, etc) to informal (rate potential outcomes on likert scale, decision aids, etc)
- *What is most important to you in your life?*

# Decision aids

- Tools that help people become involved in decision making by providing information about the options and outcomes and by clarifying personal values. They are designed to complement, rather than replace, counseling from a health practitioner.
- <http://decisionaid.ohri.ca/index.html>

# 1 What goes into figuring out my risk of having a heart attack in the next 10 years?

- Age
- Sex
- Years of diabetes
- Smoking
- Hemoglobin A1C
- Blood pressure
- Cholesterol
- Protein in your urine

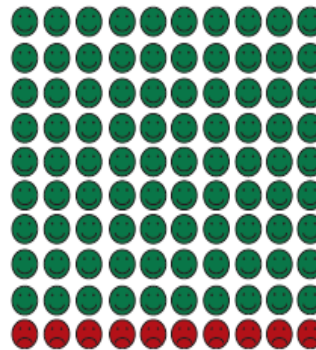
# 2 What is my risk of having a heart attack in the next 10 years?

## NO STATIN

90 people **DO NOT** have a heart attack (green)

10 people **DO** have a heart attack (red)

The risk for 100 people like you who **DO NOT** take statins.



## YES STATIN

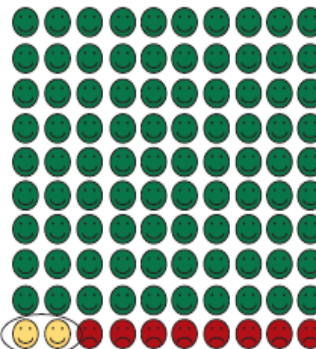
90 people still **DO NOT** have a heart attack (green)

2 people **AVOIDED** a heart attack (yellow)

8 people still **DO** have a heart attack (red)

98 people experienced **NO BENEFIT** from taking statins

The risk for 100 people like you who **DO** take statins.



- had a heart attack
- avoided a heart attack
- didn't have a heart attack

# 3 What are the downsides of taking statins (cholesterol pill)?

- Statins need to be **taken every day** for a long time (maybe forever).
- Statins cost money. (to you or your drug plan)
- **Common side effects:** nausea, diarrhea, constipation (most patients can tolerate)
- **Muscle aching/stiffness:** 5 in 100 patients (some need to stop statins because of this)
- **Liver blood test goes up** (no pain, no permanent liver damage): 2 in 100 patients (some need to stop statins because of this)
- **Muscle and kidney damage:** 1 in 20,000 patients (requires patients to stop statins)

# 4 What do you want to do now?

- Take (or continue to take) statins
- Not take (or stop taking) statins
- Prefer to decide at some other time

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- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SYTPqceFgSw>

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