

**Internal Medicine
Bedside EBM Program**

Clinical Question/Best Level of Evidence

Type of Clinical Question	Suggested Level of Evidence
THERAPY	RCT > cohort > case control > case series
DIAGNOSIS	Prospective, blind comparison to a gold standard
ETIOLOGY/HARM	RCT > cohort > case control > case series
PROGNOSIS	Cohort study > case control > case series
PREVENTION	RCT > cohort study > case control > case series
CLINICAL EXAM	Prospective, blind comparison to gold standard
COST	economic analysis

Questions of THERAPY, ETIOLOGY, and PREVENTION, which can best be answered by a RCT, can also be answered by a meta-analysis or systematic review