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# Foundations Of Clinical Research: Applications To Practice (3rd Edition)



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let others borrowed it for there thesis as well. Positive feedback from all those that used it.

I had the previous edition of this book during my Master's program and recently purchased this edition for my doctoral training. There is alot more information covered in this book and although it takes me more than one attempt to understand some of the concepts, the material can be understood. This book will be very helpful to have during the rest of my program I'm sure.

I have to say this book is excellent. I have bought a few books to upskill me on statistics and research methods but this book is the best book (of any type) I have read in a long time. It explains everything really well. I am doing a PhD is genetics and so require heaps of stats etc and it's great. Would recommend to anyone wanting a good research reference for statistics and clinical research methods.

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