It is surely a great criticism of our profession that we have not organised a critical summary, by specialty or subspecialty, adapted periodically, of all relevant randomised controlled trials.

Archie Cochrane, 1979

Together with about 100 colleagues, Iain Chalmers embarked on a search for published and unpublished randomized trials to prepare systematic reviews, published in 1989 in a book and an electronic publication.

In 1992 Michael Peckham, first director of NHS R&D programme, funded the "Cochrane Centre", "to facilitate the preparation and maintenance of systematic reviews of randomized controlled trials of healthcare interventions"
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Iain Chalmers poses in his office with 149 portraits of colleagues, mentors, family and others who influenced him. The portrait speaks to the collaborative spirit of Cochrane.

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- The evidence and bias are limited
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Come si può sapere se un’idea migliore di cura è se la prova del mezzo e se la prova del bene o di un bene è stata effettuata?

La ricerca effettiva in campo di ciò che si chiede può essere molto difficile. Se la ricerca è solo, non potrebbe farci molto per verificare la verità su un trattamento o. In ogni caso, è meglio sapere:
"I sit somewhere in the interstices between academia and the health service"
Yes Sir, no Sir, not much difference Sir
Mike Clarke  Loncon Clarke  Thomas Clarke

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