

## Book Reviews

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### Dental statistics made easy (2005)

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The aim of this book is to introduce the basic principles of statistics and their application in dentistry. There are 16 chapters covering definitions, study design, descriptive statistics, comparison of means, proportional and categorical data, regression, correlation and agreement, and how to analyse data that are not normally distributed.

Furthermore, ethical considerations and the comments offered by statistical referees are dealt with. The chapters are written without the use of complex algebraic formulae and are easy to understand, with key messages underlined

and illustrations taken from dental practice. At the end of each chapter, relevant exercises and questions are set for the reader and the solutions are revealed at the end of the book.

What is missing from this book is how to estimate the reliability of measurements, how to look for systematic errors of measurements, and how to calculate the method error. However, this book is a worthwhile purchase for dental students and dentists as an introduction to statistics in dentistry.

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