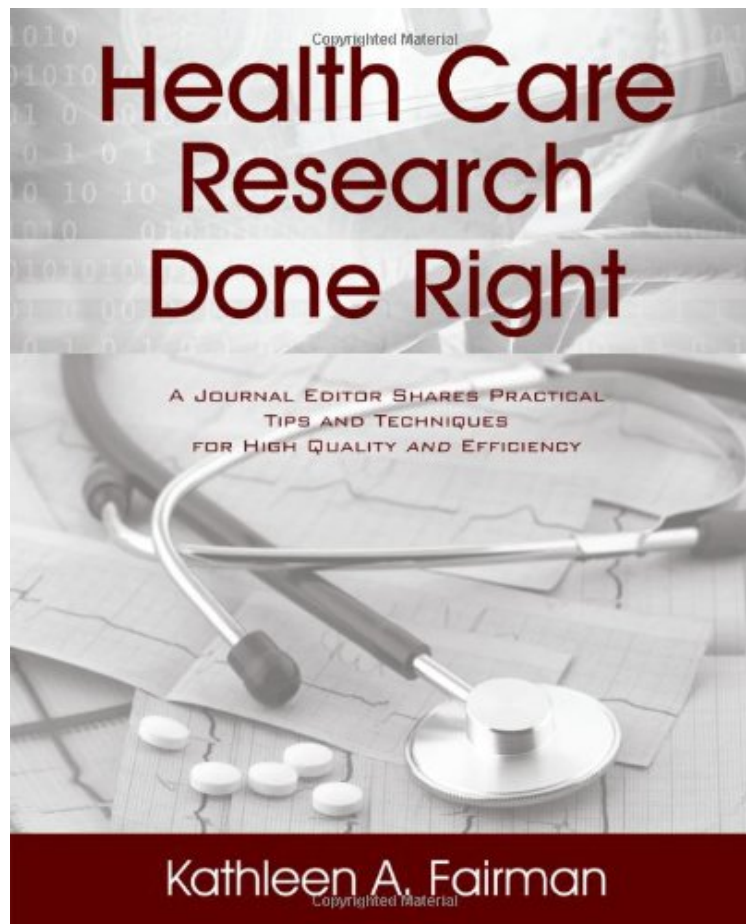


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common errors in attribution of causation from association, including review of the ACCORD study and highly relevant examples from the disease management and medication adherence literature. I found particularly important the inescapable takeaway message of the need for critical appraisal of commonly cited research, including the errors that can occur from relying upon article abstracts or the interpretations of others - Fairman describes 12 published articles that include erroneous interpretations of the findings of the often-cited New Hampshire prescription cap study. The point that residual confounding is nearly impossible to overcome in observational research is made convincingly in Chapter 6, again with many examples, with the fitting title that leads with "Multivariate, not Magical..." This book makes the path more clear for achieving excellence in conducting and reporting research and provides perspective and examples on the effective use of peer review to improve accuracy and credibility. This book is a valuable tool for teaching aspiring researchers and writers and should be part of the toolkit of every editor and peer reviewer.

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