

# STATISTICS IN REGULATORY AFFAIRS IN WWW.WIKIPEDIA.ORG

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## OUR OBJECTIVES



Initiate in Wikipedia a comprehensive source of:

- References for statistical guidance documents
- Related articles relevant to regulatory affairs

Encourage the international community of statisticians to contribute to the SiRA Wikipedia Initiative

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## STATISTICS WITHIN A REGULATED ENVIRONMENT

### REGULATORY GUIDANCE FOR THE PHARMACEUTICAL AND MEDICAL DEVICES INDUSTRY

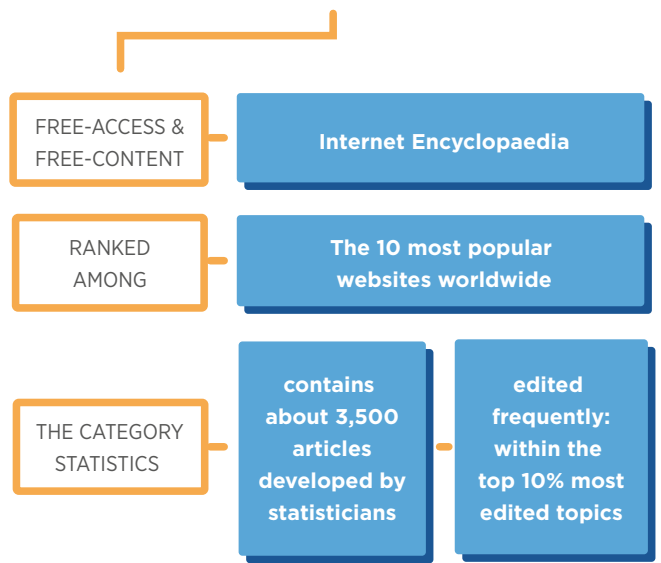


**CAN BE FOUND**

- International level — ICH
- National level —
  - EMA - Europe, NICE - UK,
  - IQWiG - Germany, FDA - USA,
  - PMDA - Japan

**CONTAINS**

- **General topics**  
(e.g. Good Clinical Practice [ICH-E6])
- **Specific topics**
  - Explicitly related to statistics  
(e.g. Statistical Principles for Clinical Trials [ICH-E9])
  - Not explicitly related to statistics  
(e.g. Special Populations: Geriatrics [ICH-E7] or Clinical Trial Endpoints in Oncology [FDA])



Statisticians working in a regulated environment (e.g. the pharmaceutical and healthcare industry) are obliged to have a sound knowledge and understanding of the regulatory requirements that affect the design, conduct, analysis and reporting of their studies.

There is a large volume and diversity of documents and information sources that are subject to regular revisions.

Hence, individual statisticians devote considerable time and effort to keep themselves adequately informed and educated about regulatory requirements.

Therefore, it is important to create a free-access, free-content SiRA resource in Wikipedia for the international statistics community

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## JOIN THE INITIATIVE IN JUST 2 STEPS



**SIGN UP IN WIKIPEDIA**

Open Wikipedia and **create an account** to be part of a community with more than 28 million of Editors.



**BE BOLD AND START EDITING**

Just go for it and don't be afraid. There are **2 main ways** to contribute in our initiative:

By creating new **articles related** to regulatory guidances

By adding new references in **the List** of Guidances for Statistics in Regulatory Affairs

## CONTRIBUTE IN TWO WAYS

### THE WIKIPEDIA LIST

Contains a comprehensive **list of guidance** documents for Statistics in Regulatory Affairs.

Can be extended further by the **Wikipedia Editors**.

There are **Indications about the format** that must be used for adding new references.



### ARTICLES RELATED TO

Are information about the **content and purpose** of regulatory guidances that might be of interest to statisticians.

The **additional explanation** included within these Articles might be helpful to understand the content of the guidance.



### TALK PAGE OF AN ARTICLE

The **purpose** of an Article's Talk Page is to provide space for Editors to **discuss changes** to its associated article.

In the Talk Pages **related to this initiative**, you will find:

The **format** that the Articles must follow. A **To-Do List** for anyone interested to collaborate. A space for **open discussion**.

### WATCHLIST

**Follow** Articles of your interest by including them in your Watchlist.

You will be notified anytime there is a **change** on the Articles you follow.

This might be very useful to **keep you updated** about any new document included in The List of Guidances for Statistics in Regulatory Affairs.

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