

We're testing a new headache medication to see if it's more effective than the current treatment that's known to relieve pain within 15 minutes for 60% of headache sufferers. We give the new medication to a bunch of volunteers and see what fraction of them report relief.

<p>START</p>	<p>If the new med actually is 90% effective we'll almost surely notice. If it's only 65% effective we may miss that.</p>
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<p>Translation: the greater the effect size, the higher the power.</p>	<p>If we're willing to accept less evidence, we're more likely to notice any effect.</p>
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<p>Translation: The higher the alpha level, the greater the power.</p>	<p>If we're easier to convince, we are more likely to mistakenly think the new medication works when it really doesn't.</p>
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<p>Translation: The higher the alpha level, the greater the risk of Type I error.</p>	<p>If we're easy to convince, we are less likely to miss an effective medication.</p>
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<p>Translation: The higher the alpha level, the lower the risk of Type II error.</p>	<p>If we demand stronger evidence, we are more likely to overlook the fact that the medication is more effective.</p>
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<p>Translation: The lower the alpha level, the greater the risk of Type II error.</p>	<p>If we require a higher standard of proof, we are less likely to be fooled into thinking an ineffective medication works.</p>
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<p>Translation: The lower the alpha level, the lower the risk of Type I error.</p>	<p>If we're tougher to convince, the less likely we are to notice that the med really is effective.</p>
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<p>Translation: The lower the alpha level, the less power we have.</p>	<p>If we increase the number of subjects in our experiment, we are more likely to discover an effective medication.</p>
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<p>Translation: Increasing your sample size increases your power.</p>	<p>FINISH</p>
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