

. A dermatologist will conduct an experiment to investigate the effectiveness of a new drug to treat acne. The dermatologist has recruited 36 pairs of identical twins. Each person in the experiment has acne and each person in the experiment will receive either the new drug or a placebo. After each person in the experiment uses either the new drug or the placebo for 2 weeks, the dermatologist will evaluate the improvement in acne severity for each person on a scale from 0 (no improvement) to 100 (complete cure).

(a) Identify the treatments, experimental units, and response variable of the experiment.

- Treatments:
- Experimental units:
- Response variable:

Each twin in the experiment has a severity of acne similar to that of the other twin. However, the severity of acne differs from one twin pair to another.

(b) For the dermatologist’s experiment, describe a statistical advantage of using a matched-pairs design where twins are paired rather than using a completely randomized design.

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(c) For the dermatologist’s experiment, describe how the treatments can be randomly assigned to people using a matched-pairs design in which twins are paired.

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