

Table 3 Popular research designs

Research design	Research design subtype	No. of studies	% of total
Observational	Case-control	129	49.05
	Cohort	76	28.90
	Case report	46	17.49
	Meta-analysis	8	3.04
	Case study	4	1.52
Total		263	100.0
Descriptive	Quantitative analysis	145	76.72
	Qualitative analysis	44	23.28
Total		189	100.0
Experimental	Experimental autoimmune encephalitis animal model	81	43.32
	In vitro	58	31.02
	Clinical	23	12.30
	Control trial	19	10.16
	Randomized trial	6	3.21
Total		187	100.0
Reviews	Systematic	67	50.76
	Nonsystematic	65	49.24
Total		132	100.0
Clinical trial	Clinical trial	10	100.0
Total		781	100.0