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| CaseCrossover | <i>CaseCrossover</i> |
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## Description

CaseCrossover

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| createCcrAnalysis | <i>Create a case-crossover analysis specification</i> |
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## Description

Create a case-crossover analysis specification

## Usage

```
createCcrAnalysis(analysisId = 1, description = "", exposureType = NULL,
  outcomeType = NULL, nestingCohortType = NULL, getDbCaseCrossoverDataArgs,
  selectSubjectsToIncludeArgs, getExposureStatusArgs)
```

## Arguments

|                   |                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| analysisId        | An integer that will be used later to refer to this specific set of analysis choices.                                                                                       |
| description       | A short description of the analysis.                                                                                                                                        |
| exposureType      | If more than one exposure is provided for each exposureOutcomeNestingCohort, this field should be used to select the specific exposure to use in this analysis.             |
| outcomeType       | If more than one outcome is provided for each exposureOutcomeNestingCohort, this field should be used to select the specific outcome to use in this analysis.               |
| nestingCohortType | If more than one nesting cohort is provided for each exposureOutcomeNestingCohort, this field should be used to select the specific nesting cohort to use in this analysis. |

getDbCaseCrossoverDataArgs

An object representing the arguments to be used when calling the [createGetDbCaseCrossoverDataA](#) function.

selectSubjectsToIncludeArgs

An object representing the arguments to be used when calling the [selectSubjectsToInclude](#) function.

getExposureStatusArgs

An object representing the arguments to be used when calling the [getExposureStatus](#) function.

## Details

Create a set of analysis choices, to be used with the [runCcrAnalyses](#) function.

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createExposureOutcomeNestingCohort

*Create exposure-outcome-nesting-cohort combinations.*

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## Description

Create exposure-outcome-nesting-cohort combinations.

## Usage

```
createExposureOutcomeNestingCohort(exposureId, outcomeId,
  nestingCohortId = NULL)
```

## Arguments

|                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| exposureId      | A concept ID indentifying the target drug in the exposure table. If multiple strategies for picking the exposure will be tested in the analysis, a named list of numbers can be provided instead. In the analysis, the name of the number to be used can be specified using the exposureType parameter in the <a href="#">createCcrAnalysis</a> function.                     |
| outcomeId       | A concept ID indentifying the outcome in the outcome table. If multiple strategies for picking the outcome will be tested in the analysis, a named list of numbers can be provided instead. In the analysis, the name of the number to be used can be specified using the outcomeType parameter in the <a href="#">createCcrAnalysis</a> function.                            |
| nestingCohortId | A concept ID indentifying the nesting cohort in the nesting cohort table. If multiple strategies for picking the nesting cohort will be tested in the analysis, a named list of numbers can be provided instead. In the analysis, the name of the number to be used can be specified using the nestingCohortType parameter in the <a href="#">createCcrAnalysis</a> function. |

## Details

Create a set of hypotheses of interest, to be used with the [runCcrAnalyses](#) function.

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```
createGetDbCaseCrossoverDataArgs
```

*Create a parameter object for the function getDbCaseCrossoverData*

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### Description

Create a parameter object for the function getDbCaseCrossoverData

### Usage

```
createGetDbCaseCrossoverDataArgs(useNestingCohort = FALSE,
  useObservationEndAsNestingEndDate = TRUE, getVisits = FALSE,
  studyStartDate = "", studyEndDate = "", getTimeControlData = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

|                                   |                                                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| useNestingCohort                  | Should the study be nested in a cohort (e.g. people with a specific indication)? If not, the study will be nested in the general population. |
| useObservationEndAsNestingEndDate | When using a nesting cohort, should the observation period end date be used instead of the cohort end date?                                  |
| getVisits                         | Get data on visits? This is needed when performing a time- case-control study and matching on visit date is requested later on.              |
| studyStartDate                    | A calendar date specifying the minimum date where data is used. Date format is 'yyyymmdd'.                                                   |
| studyEndDate                      | A calendar date specifying the maximum date where data is used. Date format is 'yyyymmdd'.                                                   |
| getTimeControlData                | Should data for time controls be fetched? (needed for case-time-control analyses.)                                                           |

### Details

Create an object defining the parameter values.

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```
createGetExposureStatusArgs
```

*Create a parameter object for the function getExposureStatus*

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### Description

Create a parameter object for the function getExposureStatus

### Usage

```
createGetExposureStatusArgs(firstExposureOnly = FALSE,
  riskWindowStart = -30, riskWindowEnd = 0, controlWindowOffsets = c(-60))
```

**Arguments**

|                      |                                                                                                        |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| firstExposureOnly    | Should only the first exposure per subject be included?                                                |
| riskWindowStart      | The start of the risk window (in days) relative to the index date. This number should be non-positive. |
| riskWindowEnd        | The end of the risk window (in days) relative to the index date. This number should be non-positive.   |
| controlWindowOffsets | Offsets in days of the control windows relative to the case window.                                    |

**Details**

Create an object defining the parameter values.

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```
createMatchingCriteria
```

*Create matching criteria*

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**Description**

Create matching criteria

**Usage**

```
createMatchingCriteria(controlsPerCase = 1, matchOnAge = TRUE,
  ageCaliper = 2, matchOnGender = TRUE, matchOnProvider = FALSE,
  matchOnCareSite = FALSE, matchOnVisitDate = FALSE,
  visitDateCaliper = 30, matchOnTimeInCohort = FALSE,
  daysInCohortCaliper = 30)
```

**Arguments**

|                  |                                                                                                     |
|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| controlsPerCase  | Maximum number of controls to select per case.                                                      |
| matchOnAge       | Match on age?                                                                                       |
| ageCaliper       | Maximum difference (in years) in age when matching on age.                                          |
| matchOnGender    | Match on gender?                                                                                    |
| matchOnProvider  | Match on provider (as specified in the person table)?                                               |
| matchOnCareSite  | Match on care site (as specified in the person table)?                                              |
| matchOnVisitDate | Should the index date of the control be changed to the nearest visit date?                          |
| visitDateCaliper | Maximum difference (in days) between the index date and the visit date when matching on visit date. |

matchOnTimeInCohort

Match on time in nesting cohort? When not using nesting, this is interpreted as time observed prior to index.

daysInCohortCaliper

Maximum difference (in days) in time in cohort.

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createSelectSubjectsToIncludeArgs

*Create a parameter object for the function selectSubjectsToInclude*

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## Description

Create a parameter object for the function selectSubjectsToInclude

## Usage

```
createSelectSubjectsToIncludeArgs(firstOutcomeOnly = TRUE,
  washoutPeriod = 180, matchingCriteria = NULL, minAge = NULL,
  maxAge = NULL)
```

## Arguments

firstOutcomeOnly

Use the first outcome per person?

washoutPeriod

Minimum required numbers of days of observation for inclusion as either case or control.

matchingCriteria

If provided, a case-time-control analysis will be performed and controls will be matched based on these criteria.

minAge

Minimum age at which patient time will be included in the analysis. Note that information prior to the min age is still used to determine exposure status after the minimum age (e.g. when a prescription was started just prior to reaching the minimum age). Also, outcomes occurring before the minimum age is reached will be considered as prior outcomes when using first outcomes only. Age should be specified in years, but non-integer values are allowed. If not specified, no age restriction will be applied.

maxAge

Maximum age at which patient time will be included in the analysis. Age should be specified in years, but non-integer values are allowed. If not specified, no age restriction will be applied.

## Details

Create an object defining the parameter values.

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| fitCaseCrossoverModel | <i>Fit case-crossover model</i> |
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### Description

Fit case-crossover model

### Usage

```
fitCaseCrossoverModel(exposureStatus)
```

### Arguments

exposureStatus A data frame as generated using the [getExposureStatus](#) function.

### Details

Fits a conditional logistic regression on the case-crossover data.

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|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| getAttritionTable | <i>Get the attrition table for a set of subjects</i> |
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### Description

Get the attrition table for a set of subjects

### Usage

```
getAttritionTable(subjects)
```

### Arguments

subjects A data frame of subjects as generated by the function [selectSubjectsToInclude](#).

### Value

A data frame specifying the number of cases and events after various steps of filtering.

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getDbCaseCrossoverData

*Load case-crossover data from the database*


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## Description

Load all data about the cases from the database.

## Usage

```
getDbCaseCrossoverData(connectionDetails, cdmDatabaseSchema,
  oracleTempSchema = cdmDatabaseSchema,
  outcomeDatabaseSchema = cdmDatabaseSchema, outcomeTable = "condition_era",
  outcomeIds = c(), useNestingCohort = FALSE,
  nestingCohortDatabaseSchema = cdmDatabaseSchema,
  nestingCohortTable = "cohort", nestingCohortId = NULL,
  useObservationEndAsNestingEndDate = TRUE, getVisits = FALSE,
  exposureDatabaseSchema = cdmDatabaseSchema, exposureTable = "drug_era",
  exposureIds = c(), studyStartDate = "", studyEndDate = "",
  getTimeControlData = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

connectionDetails

An R object of type ConnectionDetails created using the function createConnectionDetails in the DatabaseConnector package.

cdmDatabaseSchema

The name of the database schema that contains the OMOP CDM instance. Requires read permissions to this database. On SQL Server, this should specify both the database and the schema, so for example 'cdm\_instance.dbo'.

oracleTempSchema

A schema where temp tables can be created in Oracle.

outcomeDatabaseSchema

The name of the database schema that is the location where the data used to define the outcome cohorts is available. If outcomeTable = CONDITION\_ERA, outcomeDatabaseSchema is not used. Requires read permissions to this database.

outcomeTable

The tablename that contains the outcome cohorts. If outcomeTable is not CONDITION\_OCCURRENCE or CONDITION\_ERA, then expectation is outcomeTable has format of COHORT table: COHORT\_DEFINITION\_ID, SUBJECT\_ID, COHORT\_START\_DATE, COHORT\_END\_DATE.

outcomeIds

A list of ids used to define outcomes. If outcomeTable = CONDITION\_OCCURRENCE, the list is a set of ancestor CONCEPT\_IDS, and all occurrences of all descendant concepts will be selected. If outcomeTable <> CONDITION\_OCCURRENCE, the list contains records found in COHORT\_DEFINITION\_ID field.

useNestingCohort

Should the study be nested in a cohort (e.g. people with a specific indication)? If not, the study will be nested in the general population.

nestingCohortDatabaseSchema

The name of the database schema that is the location where the nesting cohort is defined.



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| nestingCohortTable                | Name of the table holding the nesting cohort. This table should have the same structure as the cohort table.                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| nestingCohortId                   | A cohort definition ID identifying the records in the nestingCohortTable to use as nesting cohort.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| useObservationEndAsNestingEndDate | When using a nesting cohort, should the observation period end date be used instead of the cohort end date?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| getVisits                         | Get data on visits? This is needed when performing a time- case-control study and matching on visit date is requested later on.                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| exposureDatabaseSchema            | The name of the database schema that is the location where the exposure data used to define the exposure cohorts is available. If exposureTable = DRUG_ERA, exposureDatabaseSchema is not used but assumed to be cdmSchema. Requires read permissions to this database.                                                                    |
| exposureTable                     | The tablename that contains the exposure cohorts. If exposureTable <> DRUG_ERA, then expectation is exposureTable has format of COHORT table: cohort_concept_id, SUBJECT_ID, COHORT_START_DATE, COHORT_END_DATE.                                                                                                                           |
| exposureIds                       | A list of identifiers to define the exposures of interest. If exposureTable = DRUG_ERA, exposureIds should be CONCEPT_ID. If exposureTable <> DRUG_ERA, exposureIds is used to select the cohort_concept_id in the cohort-like table. If no exposureIds are provided, all drugs or cohorts in the exposureTable are included as exposures. |
| studyStartDate                    | A calendar date specifying the minimum date where data is used. Date format is 'yyyymmdd'.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| studyEndDate                      | A calendar date specifying the maximum date where data is used. Date format is 'yyyymmdd'.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| getTimeControlData                | Should data for time controls be fetched? (needed for case-time-control analyses).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

### Value

Returns an object of type caseCrossoverData, containing information on the cases, the nesting cohort, exposures, and optionally visits. Information about multiple outcomes can be captured at once for efficiency reasons. The generic summary() function has been implemented for this object.

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|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| getExposureStatus | <i>Get the exposure status for cases (and controls).</i> |
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### Description

Get the exposure status for cases (and controls).

### Usage

```
getExposureStatus(subjects, caseCrossoverData, exposureId,
  firstExposureOnly = FALSE, riskWindowStart = -30, riskWindowEnd = 0,
  controlWindowOffsets = c(-60))
```

**Arguments**

|                                   |                                                                                                                          |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>subjects</code>             | A data frame as generated using the <a href="#">selectSubjectsToInclude</a> function.                                    |
| <code>caseCrossoverData</code>    | An object of type <code>caseCrossoverData</code> as generated using the <a href="#">getDbCaseCrossoverData</a> function. |
| <code>exposureId</code>           | The identifier of the exposure.                                                                                          |
| <code>firstExposureOnly</code>    | Should only the first exposure per subject be included?                                                                  |
| <code>riskWindowStart</code>      | The start of the risk window (in days) relative to the index date. This number should be non-positive.                   |
| <code>riskWindowEnd</code>        | The end of the risk window (in days) relative to the index date. This number should be non-positive.                     |
| <code>controlWindowOffsets</code> | Offsets in days of the control windows relative to the case window.                                                      |

**Details**

This function determines the exposure status for a give, exposure ID in various windows relative to the index date.

**Value**

A data frame with these columns:

**personId** The person ID  
**indexDate** The index date  
**isCase** Is the person a case or a control?  
**stratumId** The ID linking cases and controls in a matched set  
**isCaseWindow** Is this a case window (as opposed to a control window)?  
**exposed** Was the person exposed during the window?

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`loadCaseCrossoverData` *Load the case data from a folder*

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**Description**

`loadCaseCrossoverData` loads an object of type `caseCrossoverData` from a folder in the file system.

**Usage**

```
loadCaseCrossoverData(folder, readOnly = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

`folder` The name of the folder containing the data.  
`readOnly` If true, the data is opened read only.

**Details**

The data will be written to a set of files in the folder specified by the user.

**Value**

An object of class caseCrossoverData.

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| loadCcrAnalysisList | <i>Load a list of ccrAnalysis from file</i> |
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**Description**

Load a list of objects of type ccrAnalysis from file. The file is in JSON format.

**Usage**

```
loadCcrAnalysisList(file)
```

**Arguments**

|      |                      |
|------|----------------------|
| file | The name of the file |
|------|----------------------|

**Value**

A list of objects of type ccrAnalysis.

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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| loadExposureOutcomeNestingCohortList | <i>Load a list of exposureOutcomeNestingCohort from file</i> |
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**Description**

Load a list of objects of type exposureOutcomeNestingCohort from file. The file is in JSON format.

**Usage**

```
loadExposureOutcomeNestingCohortList(file)
```

**Arguments**

|      |                      |
|------|----------------------|
| file | The name of the file |
|------|----------------------|

**Value**

A list of objects of type drugComparatorOutcome.

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|----------------|-------------------------------|
| runCcrAnalyses | <i>Run a list of analyses</i> |
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## Description

Run a list of analyses

## Usage

```
runCcrAnalyses(connectionDetails, cdmDatabaseSchema,
  oracleTempSchema = cdmDatabaseSchema,
  exposureDatabaseSchema = cdmDatabaseSchema, exposureTable = "drug_era",
  outcomeDatabaseSchema = cdmDatabaseSchema, outcomeTable = "condition_era",
  nestingCohortDatabaseSchema = cdmDatabaseSchema,
  nestingCohortTable = "condition_era", outputFolder = "./CcrOutput",
  ccrAnalysisList, exposureOutcomeNestingCohortList,
  getDbCaseCrossoverDataThreads = 1, selectSubjectsToIncludeThreads = 1,
  getExposureStatusThreads = 1, fitCaseCrossoverModelThreads = 1)
```

## Arguments

connectionDetails

An R object of type ConnectionDetails created using the function createConnectionDetails in the DatabaseConnector package.

cdmDatabaseSchema

The name of the database schema that contains the OMOP CDM instance. Requires read permissions to this database. On SQL Server, this should specify both the database and the schema, so for example 'cdm\_instance.dbo'.

oracleTempSchema

A schema where temp tables can be created in Oracle.

exposureDatabaseSchema

The name of the database schema that is the location where the exposure data used to define the exposure cohorts is available. If exposureTable = DRUG\_ERA, exposureDatabaseSchema is not used but assumed to be cdmSchema. Requires read permissions to this database.

exposureTable

The tablename that contains the exposure cohorts. If exposureTable <> drug\_era, then expectation is exposureTable has format of COHORT table: cohort\_definition\_id, subject\_id, cohort\_start\_date, cohort\_end\_date.

outcomeDatabaseSchema

The name of the database schema that is the location where the data used to define the outcome cohorts is available. If outcomeTable = CONDITION\_ERA, outcomeDatabaseSchema is not used. Requires read permissions to this database.

outcomeTable

The tablename that contains the outcome cohorts. If outcomeTable is not CONDITION\_OCCURRENCE or CONDITION\_ERA, then expectation is outcomeTable has format of COHORT table: COHORT\_DEFINITION\_ID, SUBJECT\_ID, COHORT\_START\_DATE, COHORT\_END\_DATE.

nestingCohortDatabaseSchema

The name of the database schema that is the location where the nesting cohort is defined.

|                                  |                                                                                                                                          |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| nestingCohortTable               | Name of the table holding the nesting cohort. This table should have the same structure as the cohort table.                             |
| outputFolder                     | Name of the folder where all the outputs will written to.                                                                                |
| ccrAnalysisList                  | A list of objects of type ccrAnalysis as created using the <a href="#">createCcrAnalysis</a> function.                                   |
| exposureOutcomeNestingCohortList | A list of objects of type exposureOutcomeNestingCohort as created using the <a href="#">createExposureOutcomeNestingCohort</a> function. |
| getDbCaseCrossoverDataThreads    | The number of parallel threads to use for building the caseControlData objects.                                                          |
| selectSubjectsToIncludeThreads   | The number of parallel threads to use for selecting subjects                                                                             |
| getExposureStatusThreads         | The number of parallel threads to use for getting exposure status.                                                                       |
| fitCaseCrossoverModelThreads     | The number of parallel threads to use for fitting the models.                                                                            |

## Details

Run a list of analyses for the exposure-outcome-nesting cohorts of interest. This function will run all specified analyses against all hypotheses of interest, meaning that the total number of outcome models is 'length(ccrAnalysisList) \* length(exposureOutcomeNestingCohortList)'. When you provide several analyses it will determine whether any of the analyses have anything in common, and will take advantage of this fact. For example, if we specify several analyses that only differ in the way the control windows are specified then this function will extract the data and select the subjects only once, and re-use this in all the analysis.

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saveCaseCrossoverData *Save the case-crossover data to folder*

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## Description

saveCaseCrossoverData saves an object of type caseCrossoverData to folder.

## Usage

```
saveCaseCrossoverData(caseCrossoverData, folder)
```

## Arguments

|                   |                                                                                                 |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| caseCrossoverData | An object of type caseCrossoverData as generated using <a href="#">getDbCaseCrossoverData</a> . |
| folder            | The name of the folder where the data will be written. The folder should not yet exist.         |

## Details

The data will be written to a set of files in the specified folder.

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|---------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| saveCcrAnalysisList | <i>Save a list of ccrAnalysis to file</i> |
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**Description**

Write a list of objects of type ccrAnalysis to file. The file is in JSON format.

**Usage**

```
saveCcrAnalysisList(ccrAnalysisList, file)
```

**Arguments**

|                 |                                                        |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| ccrAnalysisList | The ccArnalalysis list to be written to file           |
| file            | The name of the file where the results will be written |

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|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| saveExposureOutcomeNestingCohortList | <i>Save a list of drugComparatorOutcome to file</i> |
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**Description**

Write a list of objects of type exposureOutcomeNestingCohort to file. The file is in JSON format.

**Usage**

```
saveExposureOutcomeNestingCohortList(exposureOutcomeNestingCohortList, file)
```

**Arguments**

|                                  |                                                             |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| exposureOutcomeNestingCohortList | The exposureOutcomeNestingCohort list to be written to file |
| file                             | The name of the file where the results will be written      |

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selectSubjectsToInclude

*Select subjects to include*


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## Description

Select subjects to include

## Usage

```
selectSubjectsToInclude(caseCrossoverData, outcomeId, firstOutcomeOnly = TRUE,
  washoutPeriod = 180, matchingCriteria = NULL, minAge = NULL,
  maxAge = NULL)
```

## Arguments

|                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| caseCrossoverData | An object of type caseCrossoverData as generated using the <a href="#">getDbCaseCrossoverData</a> function.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| outcomeId         | The outcome ID of the cases for which we need to pick controls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| firstOutcomeOnly  | Use the first outcome per person?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| washoutPeriod     | Minimum required numbers of days of observation for inclusion as either case or control.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| matchingCriteria  | If provided, a case-time-control analysis will be performed and controls will be matched based on these criteria.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| minAge            | Minimum age at which patient time will be included in the analysis. Note that information prior to the min age is still used to determine exposure status after the minimum age (e.g. when a prescription was started just prior to reaching the minimum age). Also, outcomes occurring before the minimum age is reached will be considered as prior outcomes when using first outcomes only. Age should be specified in years, but non-integer values are allowed. If not specified, no age restriction will be applied. |
| maxAge            | Maximum age at which patient time will be included in the analysis. Age should be specified in years, but non-integer values are allowed. If not specified, no age restriction will be applied.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

## Details

Subject to include in the study are selected for a specific outcome, optionally filtering using a washout period, restricting to first occurrences of the outcome only, and restricting on age. If matching criteria are provided controls will be selected for each case. These controls will be used to adjust for time trends in exposure, turning the analysis into a case-time-control analysis (Suissa, 1995).

**Value**

A data frame with these columns:

**personId** The person ID

**indexDate** The index date

**isCase** Is the person a case or a control?

**stratumId** The ID linking cases and controls in a matched set

**observationPeriodStartDate** The observation period start date

**References**

Suissa S (1995) The case-time-control design. Epidemiology; 6:248-253.

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summarizeCcrAnalyses    *Create a summary report of the analyses*

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**Description**

Create a summary report of the analyses

**Usage**

```
summarizeCcrAnalyses(outcomeReference)
```

**Arguments**

outcomeReference

A data.frame as created by the [runCcrAnalyses](#) function.



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