

**Admissible &
specific**

observed association
exceeds background;
alternatives excluded

→ **diagnostic support (S7)**

**Real but
non-specific**

association observed,
but several processes
could produce it

→ **admissible,
non-diagnostic (S6)**

Non-identified

key attribute
selectively observable;
missingness structured

→ **record cannot decide (S4)
+ rescue frontier**