It has been stated that some forms of qualitative methodology are easy to do badly and difficult to do well (e.g. Interpretative phenomenological analysis - IPA). So how does qualitative research establish contribution and utility? This may be an especially relevant question where such research output might be described as possessing theoretical validity rather than empirical validity.

Since an appreciable corpus of published qualitative research exists within business domains, it is both reasonable and desirable to evaluate this work, as well as to look forward to advance quality investigations.

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• Developing Rigor and Evolving guidelines for Quality in qualitative research
• Defending the value of Qualitative Research
• Organisational Context elaboration and meaning in Qualitative research
• The challenge of Dissemination & Publication of Qualitative research
• Organisational application of Qualitative research findings
• Developing commitment to qualitative research

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