



## Literature search

PubMed via NLM 2018-01-24		
Dry Needling		
	Search terms	Items found
Intervention:		
1.	"intramuscular stimulation"[Title/Abstract] OR "dry needling"[Title/Abstract] OR "trigger point acupuncture"[Title/Abstract]	438
Outcome:		
2.	"Pain"[Mesh] OR pain[Title/Abstract]	673 583
Combined sets		
3.	1 AND 2	339
Final	3	339

The search result, usually found at the end of the documentation, forms the list of abstracts

[MeSH] = Term from the Medline controlled vocabulary, including terms found below this term in the MeSH hierarchy

[MeSH:NoExp] = Does not include terms found below this term in the MeSH hierarchy

[MAJR] = MeSH Major Topic

[TIAB] = Title or abstract

[TI] = Title

[AU] = Author

[TW] = Text Word

Systematic[SB] = Filter for retrieving systematic reviews

\* = Truncation

“ “ = Citation Marks; searches for an exact phrase

Cohrane Library via Wiley 2018-01-24		
Dry Needling		
	Search terms	Items found
Intervention:		
1.	"intramuscular stimulation" or "dry needling" or "trigger point acupuncture":ti,ab,kw (Word variations have been searched)	204
Outcome:		
2.	pain:ti,ab,kw (Word variations have been searched)	107 902
3.	MeSH descriptor: [Pain] explode all trees	39 334
Combined sets		
4.	2 OR 3	113 377
5.	1 AND 4	186
Final	5	CDSR/3 DARE/7 CENTRAL/175



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Dry Needling		
		HTAD/1

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CDSR = Cochrane Database of Systematic Review

CENTRAL = Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials, “trials”

CRM = Method Studies

DARE = Database Abstracts of Reviews of Effects, “other reviews”

EED = Economic Evaluations

HTA = Health Technology Assessments

Embase via embase.com 2018-01-25		
Dry Needling		
	<b>Search terms</b>	<b>Items found</b>
Intervention:		
1.	'dry needling'/exp OR 'trigger point dry needling'/exp OR 'intramuscular stimulation':ti,ab OR 'dry needling':ti,ab OR 'trigger point acupuncture':ti,ab	568
Outcome:		
2.	'pain'/exp OR pain:ti,ab	1 340 998
Combined sets		
3.	1 AND 2	452
Final	3	452

/de= Term from the EMTREE controlled vocabulary

/exp= Includes terms found below this term in the EMTREE hierarchy

/mj = Major Topic

:ab = Abstract

:au = Author

:ti = Article Title

:ti,ab = Title or abstract

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Cinahl via ebsco.com 2018-01-25		
Dry Needling		
	<b>Search terms</b>	<b>Items found</b>
Intervention:		



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Dry Needling		
1.	MH dry needling	42
2.	TX "intramuscular stimulation" OR "dry needling" OR "trigger point acupuncture"	535
Outcome:		
3.	MH Pain	40 866
4.	TX pain	292 771
Combined sets		
5.	1 OR 2	535
6.	3 OR 4	292 771
7.	5 AND 6	452
Final	7	452

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AU = Author

DE = Term from the thesaurus

MH = Term from the "Cinahl Headings" thesaurus

MM = Major Concept

TI = Title

TX = All Text. Performs a keyword search of all the database's searchable fields

ZC = Methodology Index

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PEDro 2018-01-24		
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	Search terms	Items found
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1.	Abstract & Title: "intramuscular stimulation" AND Problem: pain	7
2.	Abstract & Title: "dry needling" AND Problem: pain	91
3.	Abstract & Title: "trigger point acupuncture" AND Problem: pain	9
Final	1 OR 2 OR 3	104