

Table S2. Literature review search terms.

Database	Search terms
MEDLINE/PubMed	<p>“Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation”[All Fields] OR (transcutaneous[All Fields] AND electrical[All Fields] AND nerve[All Fields] AND stimulation[All Fields]) OR electrostimulation[All Fields] OR TENS[All Fields]</p> <p>AND cancer[Title/Abstract] OR cancers[Title/Abstract] OR carcinoma[Title/Abstract] OR carcinomas[Title/Abstract] OR tumor[Title/Abstract] OR tumors[Title/Abstract] OR tumour[Title/Abstract] OR tumours[Title/Abstract] OR oncology[Title/Abstract] OR oncological[Title/Abstract] OR malignant[Title/Abstract] OR malignancy[Title/Abstract] OR malignancies[Title/Abstract] OR neoplasm[Title/Abstract]) OR neoplasms[Title/Abstract] OR neoplastic[Title/Abstract] AND pain[Title/Abstract] OR neuropathy[Title/Abstract]</p>
EMBASE*	<p>1. exp Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation/ 2. (transcutaneous and electrical and nerve and stimulation).mp. 3. electrostimulation.mp. 4. TENS.mp. 5. 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 6. (cancer* or carcinoma* or tumor* or tumour* or oncolog* or malignan* or neoplas* or carcinom*).ti,ab 7. pain*.ti,ab 8. neuropath*.ti,ab 9. 7 or 8 10. 5 and 6 and 9</p>

* For EMBASE (and accordingly for Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials) the search strategy was modified (e.g. “All Fields” were replaced by “.mp”)