**Supplementary file S2.** **The search string with the search terminology**

**AIM:** Therapeutic effects of transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation on chronic pelvic pain in women

**Population:** Women with chronic pelvic pain

**Intervention:** All types of transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation

**Comparison:** No treatment, placebo, any other types of electrical modulations

**Outcome**: Pain relief, improvement in quality of life

**Studies**: Randomized controlled trials

**Filter:** Timeframe from 2000’s to present, humans

**Languages:** English

**Databases**: PubMed, Science Direct, Embase, Cochrane, and Scopus

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| Any other types of electrical modulations | TENS | Patients | Pain relief |
| Electric stimulation  Electrical current | * Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation * TENS | Interstitial cystitis  Endometriosis  Dysmenorrhea   * Chronic pelvic pain * Pelvic tenderness * Pelvic adhesion | * Painful bladder syndrome |

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| PubMed | | | |
| Electric stimulation (MeSH)  Electrical current | * Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation * TENS | Interstitial cystitis (MeSH)  Endometriosis (MeSH)  Dysmenorrhea (MeSH)   * Chronic pelvic pain * Pelvic tenderness * Pelvic adhesion | * Painful bladder syndrome (MeSH) |

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| Science Direct | | | |  |
| Electric stimulation  Electrical current | * Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation | Interstitial cystitis  Endometriosis  Dysmenorrhea   * Chronic pelvic pain * Pelvic tenderness | * Painful bladder syndrome | * Clinical trials |

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