**Supplementary Table 1.** Search strategy

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| 1. Exp tendinopathy/  2. Exp tendon injuries/  3. tendinitis, or tendinosis or tendonitis or tendinopathy  4. elbow  5. OR/1-5  6. 4 AND 5  7. tennis elbow/  8. tennis elbow.tw. | 9. common extensor origin  10. (epicondylalgia or epicondylitis).tw.  11. OR/6-10  12. randomised controlled trial.pt.  13. controlled clinical trial.pt.  14. randomized.ab.  15. placebo.ab.  16. drug therapy.fs. | 17. randomly.ab.  18. trial.ab.  19. groups.ab.  20. OR/12-19  21. animals not (humans and animals).sh.  22. 20 not 21  23. 11 and 22 |