**Appendix**

Appendix 1:(Search Strategy and detailed records.)

COCHRANE LIBRARY

#1: acupuncture ( ti, ab, kw)

#2: acupuncture therapy (ti, ab, kw)

#3: #1 or #2

#4: Bell’s palsy ( ti, ab, kw)

#5: facial paralysis ( ti, ab, kw)

#6: idiopathic facial paralysis ( ti, ab, kw)

#7: herpetic Facial Paralysis ( ti, ab, kw)

#8: #4 or #5 or #6 or #7

#9: #3 and #8 in Trials.





EMBASE

#1: acupuncture (ab, ti)

#2: acupuncture therapy (ab, ti)

#3: #1 OR#2

#4: bell palsy ( ab, ti)

#5: facial paralysis ( ab, ti)

#6: idiopathic facial paralysis (ab, ti)

#7: ‘herpetic facial paralysis (ab, ti)

#8: #4 OR#5 OR#6 OR#7

#9: #3 AND #8

#10: #9 AND ([controlled clinical trial]/lim OR [randomized controlled trial]/lim).





Pubmed

#1: acupuncture [Title/Abstract]

#2: acupuncture therapy [Title/Abstract]

#3: #1 OR #2

#4: Bell’s palsy [Title/Abstract]

#5: facial paralysis [Title/Abstract]

#6: idiopathic facial paralysis [Title/Abstract]

#7: herpetic Facial Paralysis [Title/Abstract]

#8: #4 OR #6 OR #7

#9: #3 OR #8

#10: humans [Me SH Terms]

#11: clinical trials as topic [Me SH Terms]

#12: trial [Title/Abstract]

#13: randomly [Title/Abstract]

#14: Placebo [Title/Abstract]

#15: Randomized [Title/Abstract]

#16: Controlled Trial[Publication Type]

#17: Randomized Controlled Trial[Publication Type]

#18: #12 OR #13 OR #14 OR #15 OR #16 OR #17

#19:#9 AND #10 AND #18





**Appendix 2. Subgroup analysis**

**(1) cure rate**

Acupuncture and moxibustion



Types of medication



Publication time



Sample size



**(2)Effective**

Acupuncture and moxibustion



Types of medication



Publication time



Sample size



**Appendix 3.data sheet**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| study | years | cure1 | not-cure1 | cure2 | not-cure2 |
| Bao | 2015 | 35 | 30 | 23 | 42 |
| Duan | 2014 | 29 | 19 | 10 | 38 |
| Li | 2004 | 64 | 92 | 36 | 92 |
| Liu | 1996 | 48 | 17 | 30 | 35 |
| Ma | 2004 | 30 | 18 | 8 | 39 |
| Tong | 2009 | 23 | 5 | 24 | 14 |
| Yang | 2006 | 64 | 43 | 18 | 89 |
| Yu | 1999 | 25 | 5 | 9 | 11 |
| Yu | 2015 | 25 | 20 | 14 | 31 |
| Zhao | 2005 | 6 | 8 | 7 | 7 |
| Zhu | 2006 | 30 | 10 | 20 | 15 |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| study | years | effective1 | not-effective1 | effective2 | not-effective2 |
| Bao | 2015 | 62 | 3 | 52 | 13 |
| Duan | 2014 | 46 | 2 | 42 | 6 |
| Li | 2004 | 156 | 0 | 125 | 3 |
| Liu | 1996 | 63 | 2 | 50 | 15 |
| Ma | 2004 | 43 | 5 | 20 | 27 |
| Tong | 2009 | 28 | 0 | 35 | 3 |
| Yang | 2006 | 106 | 1 | 98 | 9 |
| Yu | 1999 | 30 | 0 | 11 | 9 |
| Yu | 2015 | 41 | 4 | 32 | 13 |
| Zhao | 2005 | 11 | 3 | 10 | 4 |
| Zhu | 2006 | 40 | 0 | 33 | 2 |