Table 1 The key words and database.

Database	Key words
Pubmed	(periodontitis OR periodontal disease) AND (peripheral vascular disease OR peripheral
	arterial disease)
Embase	(periodontitis OR periodontal disease) AND (peripheral vascular disease OR peripheral
	arterial disease)
Cochrane Library	(periodontitis OR periodontal disease) AND (peripheral vascular disease OR peripheral
	arterial disease)