

1633 Titles read
Following removal of duplicates

- Reason for Exclusion
- Research with death as an outcome measure (306)
 - Palliative treatments for musculoskeletal disease (302)
 - Chronic pain and/or Cox 2 inhibitor (240)
 - Clear musculoskeletal focus but not EoL (202)
 - Terminal indicating computer terminal (90)
 - Other, wide ranging but primarily lists, opinion papers, diseases specific papers that highlighted pain and death as outcomes

73 Abstracts read

- Reason for Exclusion
- Pain and death separate issues in abstract (23)
 - Focus on Mortality (21)
 - Non relevant case study/series (9)
 - Other (9)

11 Papers read

- Reason for Exclusion
- Case studies that mentioned pain in the context of death but had no additional information about treatment or its relationship to outcome (4)
 - Case Series, no focus on pain (1)
 - Focus on proxy reporting (1)

5 Papers included + 1 from Internurse