## Additional file 2. Search strategies

## CINAHL

((MH "Review") OR (MH "Meta-Analysis") OR (MH "Meta-Analysis as Topic") OR systematic review OR meta-analysis OR meta analysis) AND ((MH "Ankle") OR (MH "Ankle Joint") OR (MH "Lateral Ligament, Ankle") OR ankle* OR talocrural OR talo-crural OR talo-calcaneal) AND ((MH "Ankle Injuries") OR (MH "Sprains and Strains") OR (MH "Joint Instability") OR sprain OR injur* OR instability*) AND ((MH "Cumulative Trauma Disorders") OR (MH "Chronic Pain") OR perceived OR repetitive OR functional OR mechanical OR recurrent OR repeated OR chronic)

## PubMed

(()(()((()(Cumulative trauma disorders[MeSH Terms]) OR chronic pain[MeSH Terms]) OR repetitive[Title/Abstract]) OR functional[Title/Abstract]) OR mechanical[Title/Abstract]) OR recurrent[Title/Abstract]) OR repeated[Title/Abstract]) OR chronic*[Title/Abstract])) AND ((()((ankle injuries[MeSH Terms]) OR (sprains and strains[MeSH Terms])) OR joint instability[MeSH Terms]) OR sprain[Title/Abstract]) OR injur*[Title/Abstract]) OR instability*[Title/Abstract])) AND ((((((meta-analysis[MeSH Terms]) OR meta-analysis as topic[MeSH Terms]) OR systematic review[Title/Abstract]) OR metaanalysis[Title/Abstract]) OR meta analysis[Title/Abstract]))) AND (((((ankle[MeSH Terms]) OR ankle joint[MeSH Terms]) OR lateral ligament, ankle[MeSH Terms]) OR ankle[Title/Abstract]) OR talocrural OR talo-crural OR talo-calcaneal[Title/Abstract])

## MEDLINE

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## Scopus

INDEXTERMS(Review OR Meta-Analysis OR Meta-Analysis as Topic) OR TITLE-ABSKEY(systematic review OR meta-analysis OR meta analysis)] AND INDEXTERMS(Ankle OR Ankle Joint OR Lateral Ligament, Ankle) OR TITLE-ABS-Key(ankle* OR talocrural OR talo-crural OR talocalcaneal)] AND INDEXTERMS(Ankle Injuries OR Sprains and Strains OR Joint Instability) OR TITLE-ABS-KEY(sprain OR injur* OR instability*)] AND INDEXTERMS(Cumulative Trauma Disorders OR Chronic Pain) OR TITLE-ABSKEY(perceive OR repetitive OR functional OR mechanical OR recurrent OR repeated OR chronic)]

## SportDiscus

(("Review"[Mesh] OR "Meta-Analysis"[Mesh] OR "Meta-Analysis as Topic"[Mesh] OR systematic review OR meta-analysis OR meta analysis) AND ("Ankle"[Mesh] OR "Ankle Joint"[Mesh] OR "Lateral Ligament, Ankle"[Mesh] OR ankle* OR talocrural OR talo-crural OR talocalcaneal) AND ( "Ankle Injuries"[Mesh] OR "Sprains and Strains"[Mesh] OR "Joint Instability"[Mesh] OR sprain OR injur* OR instability*) AND ("Cumulative Trauma Disorders" ${ }^{[M e s h] ~ O R ~ " C h r o n i c ~ P a i n "[M e s h] ~ O R ~ p e r c e i v e d ~ O R ~ r e p e t i t i v e ~ O R ~ f u n c t i o n a l ~ O R ~}$ mechanical OR recurrent OR repeated OR chronic)

