

# Allied Health Resources:

## PEDro: Physiotherapy Evidence Database

This free web-based database contains evidence relevant to the physiotherapy management of patients. It may be accessed directly (via the url below) or through JEFFLINE's List of All Databases at: [jeffline.jefferson.edu/SML/databases/index.cgi](http://jeffline.jefferson.edu/SML/databases/index.cgi)

### PEDro

#### PRODUCED BY:

The Centre of Evidence-Based Physiotherapy at the School of Physiotherapy at the University of Sydney

#### DESCRIPTION:

Includes:

- randomized controlled trials
- clinical practice guidelines
- systematic reviews

**GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE:** International

**TIME COVERAGE:** back to 1929

**UPDATES:** every two weeks

**VOCABULARY:** keyword

#### SEARCHING:

- Select **Simple** or **Advanced** search options from home screen
- Boolean **AND**, **OR** available

Use the **Advanced Search** option to search specific fields, apply time period limits, and qualify searches by using:

- Pull-down menus for:
  - Body Part
  - Therapy
  - Subdiscipline
  - Problem
  - Method
- PEDro Score  
Trials are rated for quality and validity using an eleven-point checklist (PEDro scale).  
*For more information see:* [www.pedro.fhs.usyd.edu.au/criteria.html](http://www.pedro.fhs.usyd.edu.au/criteria.html)
- Select Boolean operator to define relationships among search terms

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Physiotherapy Evidence Database

Welcome to PEDro, an initiative of the Centre for Evidence-Based Physiotherapy (CEBP).

PEDro is the Physiotherapy Evidence Database. It has been developed to give rapid access to bibliographic details and abstracts of randomised controlled trials, systematic reviews and evidence-based clinical practice guidelines in physiotherapy. Most trials on the database have been rated for quality to help you quickly discriminate between trials which are likely to be valid and interpretable and those which are not.

You can search the PEDro database by clicking on the Search button above.

#### Simple Search:

*PEDro will search for terms in the title and abstract fields of all records in the database.*

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Type your search term (or terms) in this box:

Start Search Reset Form

#### Advanced Search:

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Abstract & Title:

Therapy:

Problem:

Body Part:

Subdiscipline:

Method:

Author/Association:

Title Only:

Source:

Published since:  [yyyy]

New records added since:  [dd/mm/yyyy]

Score of at least:  (/10)

When Searching:  Match all search terms (AND)  Match any search term (OR)

Return:  records at a time.

Start Search Reset Form

# Viewing PEDro Search Results

**PEDro** Search Results  
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Displaying records 1 through to 5 of 25 records found

Click on a title to view details of that record. If your search has returned many records you may need to click on "More Results" (at the bottom of the page). To display a list of records from one or a series of searches, click on "Select" and then "Display Selected Records" (at the bottom of the page).

Title	Method	Score (/10)	Select Record
<a href="#">Does acupuncture improve the orthopedic management of chronic low back pain - A randomized, blinded, controlled trial with 3 months follow up.</a>	clinical trial	8/10	<a href="#">Select</a>
<a href="#">The use of electro-acupuncture in conjunction with exercise for the treatment of chronic low-back pain.</a>	clinical trial	7/10	<a href="#">Select</a>
<a href="#">Randomized trial comparing traditional Chinese medical acupuncture, therapeutic massage, and self-care education for chronic low back pain.</a>	clinical trial	7/10	<a href="#">Select</a>
<a href="#">Acupuncture for chronic low back pain: A randomized placebo-controlled study with long-term follow-up.</a>	clinical trial	7/10	<a href="#">Select</a>
<a href="#">A comparison of laser acupuncture versus placebo in radicular and pseudoradicular pain syndromes as recorded by subjective responses of patients.</a>	clinical trial	6/10	<a href="#">Select</a>

[more results](#)   
 [display selected records](#)   
 [continue searching](#)   
 [new search](#)   
 [new simple search](#)

Search results include title, method (clinical trial, practice guideline, or systematic review), and score.

Select multiple records for display or click on title to view detailed record

**PEDro** Detailed Search Results  
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**Author/Association:** Yeung CK, Leung MC, Chow DH

**Title:** The use of electro-acupuncture in conjunction with exercise for the low-back pain.

**Source:** Journal of Alternative & Complementary Medicine. 2003 Aug;9(4):4

**Method:** clinical trial

**Method Score:** 7/10 [Eligibility criteria: Yes; Random allocation: Yes; Concealed allocation: No; Baseline comparability: Yes; Blind assessors: Yes; Blind subjects: No; Blind therapists: No; Adequate follow-up: Yes; Intention-to-treat analysis: Yes; Between-group comparisons: Yes; Point estimates and variability: Yes. Note: Eligibility criteria item does not contribute to total score] \*This score has not been certified by PEDro.

**Abstract:** Copyright release for this abstract from MEDLINE you could obtain an abstract from the [PubMed web site](#). (Clicking on the window will remain open.)

Detailed records may include links to PubMed abstracts and full text of article, when available

Selected records may be printed or emailed.

**PEDro** Email Selected Search Results  
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Enter your email address below and your selected search results will be emailed to you.

Email address:

Please make sure the address is correct and valid. If you type in an incorrect email address you will not receive your search results. Your email address is used only for the purpose of emailing your search results. It will not under any circumstances be shared with or sold to any third party.

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