

Supplementary Table I. Search strategy to identify studies reporting the chronic pain prevalence in the general population

Data base	Access date	Search terms
PUBMED	28 May,2024	Prevalence [Title/Abstract] OR Epidemiology [Title/Abstract] AND Chronic pain [Title/Abstract] AND General Population [Title/ Abstract] OR Chronic Pain Prevalence Rate [Title/Abstract] AND Adult [Title/Abstract] Filter: Humans
Google Scholar	28 May,2024	“Chronic Pain” [Title/Abstract] OR “Persistent pain” [Title/Abstract] AND Prevalence [Title Abstract OR Epidemiology [Title/ Abstract] AND General population [Title/Abstract] AND Adult [Title/Abstract] Filter: Human, Adult Language: English
MEDLINE	28 May,2024	1.exp Chronic pain/ 2.Adult*.ab,ti. 3.(prevalence*/epidemiology*).ab,ti. 4.(General population).ab,ti. 5.1 and 2 and 3 and 4 6.Limit 5 to (Humans and (“all adults 18 plus years”) Medline)
EMBASE	28 May,2024	1.exp Chronic pain/ 2.Adult*.ab,ti. 3.(prevalence*/epidemiology*).ab,ti. 4.(General population).ab,ti. 5.1 and 2 and 3 and 4 6.Limit 5 to (Humans and(“ all adults 18 plus years”) Embase
Science Direct	28 May,2024	Prevalence [Title/Abstract] OR Incidence OR Epidemiology[Title/Abstract] AND Chronic pain[Title/Abstract] AND General Population[Title/ Abstract] OR Chronic Pain Prevalence Rate [Title/Abstract] AND Adult [Title/Abstract] Filter: Humans Study type: Observational study, Cross-sectional study