

**Table 1.** Literature search strategies

<b>Database</b>	<b>Search strategy</b>	<b>Results</b>
<b>Pubmed</b>	(prehospital emergency care[MeSH Terms]) AND cardiac arrest, out of hospital[MeSH Terms]	622
<b>Pubmed</b>	(pre-hospital OR prehospital OR EMS OR "emergency medical services" OR ambulance) AND (arrest OR sudden death) AND ("critical care" OR "intensive care" OR doctor OR physician OR HEMS OR helicopter)	1377
<b>EmBASE</b>	(pre-hospital or prehospital or EMS or "emergency medical services") and (arrest or "sudden death") and ("critical care" or "intensive care" or doctor or physician or HEMS or helicopter)	963
<b>CINAHL Plus and AMED (via EBSCO)</b>	( pre-hospital or prehospital or EMS or 'emergency medical services' ) AND ( arrest or 'sudden death' ) AND ( critical care or intensive care or doctor or physician )	359
<b>Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews</b>	cardiac arrest'	24
<b>Database of Abstracts of Review of Effects (DARE)</b>	cardiac arrest'	70
<b>Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials</b>	(pre-hospital OR prehospital OR EMS OR emergency medical services) AND (arrest OR sudden death) AND (critical care OR intensive care OR doctor OR physician)	97
<b>NHS Economic Evaluation Database</b>	cardiac arrest	42
<b>NIHR Health Technology Assessment Database</b>	MeSH out-of-hospital cardiac arrest	2
<b>Google Scholar</b> (limited to 500 most relevant)	prehospital critical care out-of-hospital cardiac arrest	500
<b>Clinicaltrials.gov</b>	(prehospital OR pre-hospital OR EMS OR emergency medical services) AND (cardiac arrest OR sudden death)	133
<b>Other (hand search and social media)</b>		365
<b>Total</b>		<b>4554</b>