

Supplemental material

Supplemental Table 1 Search strategy used in PubMed database

Number	Search terms
#1	"Colonic Neoplasms"[Mesh]
#2	"Rectal Neoplasms"[Mesh]
#3	"Colorectal Neoplasms"[Mesh]
#4	(colon[Title/Abstract]) OR (rectal[Title/Abstract]) OR (colorectal[Title/Abstract]) OR (proctectomy[Title/Abstract]) OR (colonic[Title/Abstract])
#5	#1 OR #2 OR #3 OR #4
#6	"Lidocaine"[Mesh]
#7	(lidocaine[Title/Abstract]) OR (lignocaine[Title/Abstract])
#8	#6 OR #7
#9	"Infusions, Intravenous"[Mesh]
#10	(intravenous) OR (infusion)
#11	#9 OR #10
#12	"Randomized Controlled Trial" [Publication Type]
#13	(RCT) OR (randomized controlled trial)
#14	#12 OR #13
#15	#5 AND #8 AND #11 AND #14