



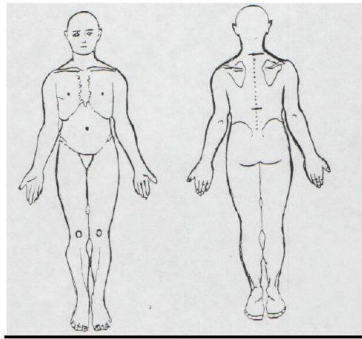
# SHOULDER CASE 3

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Body Chart – Initial Hypothesis:  
**RTC tendonitis, RTC tear; AC sprain;  
Impingement; SLAP lesion; Bankart  
lesion; Biceps tendinosis/partial tear.**



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**SUBJECTIVE EXAM**

**Subjective \*Asterisks\* Signs/Symptoms:** (Aggravating/Easing factors, Description/location of symptoms, Behavior, Mechanism of injury):

- 28 yo male insurance salesman
- 3 weeks ago sliding into second base (head first), hit @ shoulder awkwardly outstretched
- Pain deep non specific anterior>posterior shoulder pain
- Unable to throw; unable to return to swimming/training for Triathlon season
- Slight/intermittent “clicking/popping”, worse since injury
- Painful when reaching overhead.



**STRUCTURE at Fault:**

Joints in/refer to the painful region	Myofascial tissue in/refer to the painful region	Non Contractile tissue in/refer to the painful region	Neural tissue in/refer to the painful region	Other structures that must be examined – non MSK
GH AC SC Scapulothoracic Cervical referred (C4-6)	RTC – Supraspinatus, Infraspinatus, Teres, Subscap. Biceps Pecs	Labrum- Superior (SLAP), Inferior (Bankart); SA bursa; Capsular laxity; GHL-inferior, medial, superior bands; AC ligts	Suprascapular n.; Cervical radiculopathy (C5)	

Primary HYPOTHESIS after Subjective Examination: **Primary IMP with RTC tendonopathy following trauma**

**Differential List** (Rank/List in order to rule out): **Bankart lesion, Labral pathology, RTC tear, Biceps pathology/tear; MDI/laxity; AC sprain; Cervical referred/radic**



## Instability - Sulcus Sign

- Multidirectional instability
- **Sitting: Arm in Neutral**
- **Inferior Traction on humerus at elbow**
- **Test – Distance between inferior acromium, superior aspect humeral head**
- **Graded: 1+ - 3+ (cm displacement)**



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## Instability - Load and Shift

- **Pt: Seated/Supine**
- **Test : Humeral head is “loaded” to centre it congruently within the glenoid fossa; then manually shifted anteriorly and posteriorly , relative to the glenoid fossa.**
- **(+) Laxity/Subluxation over glenoid rim**



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## Instability (Posterior)- Posterior Subluxation (Jerk) Test

- **Posterior instability**
- **Pt: Sitting**
- **Test: Scapular plane, IR, 70 -90 Flexion; Posteriorly directed force. Bring humerus into Horizontal ADD (+/-) ER**
- **(+) Test : “Clunk” as posterior subluxation is reproduced**



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## Instability - Apprehension

- **Pt: Supine – 90 ABD, Maximal ER**
- **Contact: Posterior aspect GH**
- **Test : Anterior force at end ROM ER**
- **(+) Apprehension > Pain**



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## Instability - Relocation

- Pt: **Supine 90 ABD, maximal ER**
- **Contact: Anterior aspect GH**
- **Test: Posterior force to humeral head at end ROM ER**
- **(+) Reduction in Pain/Apprehension; Increased ER**



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## Glenohumeral Instability

- **TUBS:**
  - Traumatic - Significant traumatic event
  - Unilateral / Unidirectional instability
  - Bankart lesion - Anterior Inferior Labrum
  - Surgery required to stabilize the GH joint
- **AMBRI**
  - A traumatic
  - Multidirectional Instability
  - Bilateral
  - Rehabilitation
  - Inferior Capsular Shift, Rotator Interval closure



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- **MDI – Etiology : Multifactorial**

**Anatomic**

- Distended inferior pouch and a wide rotator interval
- Global increase in capsular volume, resulting in overall laxity
- Pathologic changes with degenerative Labrum and Bankart lesions

**Biochemical**

- Capsule has alterations in type and quantity of collagen
- Collagen Disorders (Ehlers-Danlos)

**Neuromuscular**

- Repeated micro trauma (athletes) - Repetitive overhead use
- Cumulative into global laxity → Labral pathology
- Laxity ➡ Instability
  - Adaptive for Sport, ? pathological
  - Strength
  - Neuromuscular control
    - » Rotator cuff
    - » Scapular stabilizers



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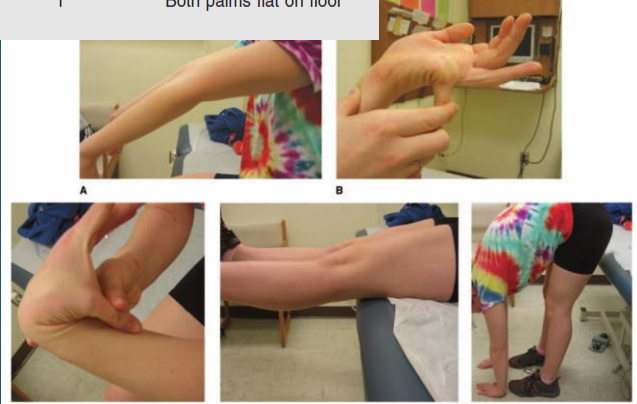
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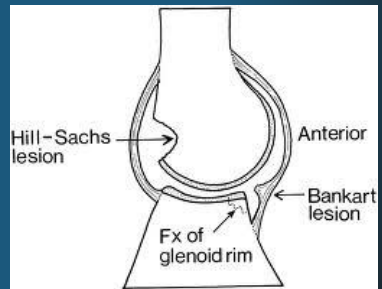
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The Beighton-Horan Criteria for Generalized Hypermobility		
Joint Examination	Points	Criteria for Positive Sign
Passive hyperextension of the small finger (measured bilaterally)	2	>90°
Passive thumb apposition to the forearm (measured bilaterally)	2	Thumb touches forearm
Elbow hyperextension (each elbow)	2	>10°
Knee hyperextension (each knee)	2	>10°
Standing trunk flexion with knees fully extended	1	Both palms flat on floor



## • Traumatic Anterior Dislocation

- Anteroinferiorly displaced humeral head stretches the capsuloligamentous components
- Detachment of the anterior-inferior labrum - Bankart
- Hill-Sachs lesions
- (SLAP) lesions
- Capsular tears
- Rotator cuff tears
- Glenoid rim fractures



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## Acute Dislocation

- Young patients (<24 years)
  - 97% : Bankart lesions
  - 89% : Hill-Sachs lesions
  - 10% incidence of SLAP lesions
  - No rotator cuff tears
- Progressive labral-ligamentous injury and degeneration with increasing episodes of dislocation
- Postoperative arthritis correlated with an increased number of dislocations
- Reoccurrence rates:
  - 72-95% < 20 yo
  - 70-82% 20- 30 yo
  - 14-22% >50 yo



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## Acute Dislocation - Recommendations

- Young patients (15-25 years)
  - Early Surgical Repair
  - Shown to reduce their recurrence rate from 80-90% to 3-15% and improve overall quality of life
- Patients aged 25-40 years
  - Initial trial of non-operative management
  - Risk of re-dislocation is much lower at 20-30%
- Patients >40 yo
  - Typically manage them non-operatively
  - Low recurrence rate of 10-15%
  - Address associated injuries
    - RTC tears
    - Bone defects
    - Neurological injury

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## Risk factors which predispose first-time traumatic anterior shoulder dislocations to recurrent instability in adults: a systematic review and meta-analysis

M Olds,<sup>1</sup> R Ellis,<sup>2</sup> K Donaldson,<sup>1</sup> P Parmar,<sup>1</sup> P Kersten<sup>3</sup>

- **Recurrent Instability**

- **Males**

- 3.2 x > likely

- **< 40 year olds**

- 13.5 x > likely

- **Greater Tuberosity Fx**

- 7 x < likely

- **Hyperlaxity (Beighton)**

- 2.7 x > likely



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## Position and Duration of Immobilization After Primary Anterior Shoulder Dislocation

A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of the Literature

**Conclusions:** Analysis of the best available evidence indicates there is no benefit of conventional sling immobilization for longer than one week for the treatment of primary anterior shoulder dislocation in younger patients. An age of less than thirty years at the time of injury is significantly predictive of recurrence. Bracing in external rotation may provide a clinically important benefit over traditional sling immobilization, but the difference in recurrence rates did not achieve significance with the numbers available.



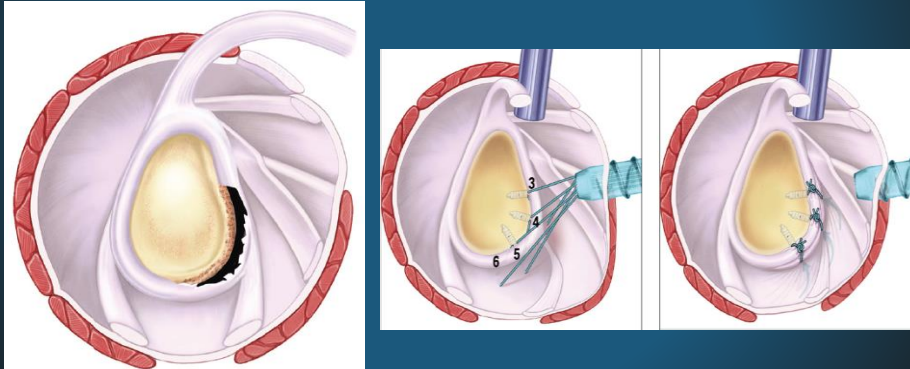
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## The American Society of Shoulder and Elbow Therapists' Consensus Rehabilitation Guideline for Arthroscopic Anterior Capsulolabral Repair of the Shoulder



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### THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SHOULDER AND ELBOW THERAPISTS' CONSENSUS REHABILITATION GUIDELINE FOR ARTHROSCOPIC ANTERIOR CAPSULOLABRAL REPAIR OF THE SHOULDER

#### GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR THE REHABILITATION SPECIALIST

1. A thorough understanding of the surgical procedure
2. A thorough understanding of the anatomic structures that must be protected, how they are stressed, and the rate at which they heal
3. Appropriate selection and skilled application techniques to impart varying levels of stress to the healing tissues
4. Appropriate management of the initial immobilization period and the rate of range-of-motion progression

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## Post OP Guidelines: Bankart

- Phase 1 : Healing
- (0-6 weeks)
  - Education
  - Immobilization 0-4 weeks
  - Strict ROM Guidelines
  - Scapular stabilization
  - Submax RTC isometrics
  - AAROM
    - Wand, Pulley, Table step back



STAGED RANGE-OF-MOTION GOALS FOLLOWING ARTHROSCOPIC ANTERIOR CAPSULOLABRAL REPAIR



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## Post OP Guidelines: Bankart

- Phase 2 : Controlled Loading
- (6-12 weeks)
  - Education
  - Progress ROM to Full gradually - Guidelines
  - Scapular Stabilization
  - Post Capsule mobility - prn
  - RTC NM control
  - Low weight/High Reps
  - Avoid compensations



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## Post OP Guidelines: Bankart

- **Phase 3 : Normalize Strength, Power, Endurance → Function**
- **(12-24 weeks)**
  - Full ROM all planes
  - Gradual stresses to ant capsule
  - Multiplanar mvts
  - Progressive weight bearing
  - Plyometrics
  - Sport/Work specific strengthening



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### Rehabilitation and Return to Play Following Superior Labral Anterior to Posterior Repair



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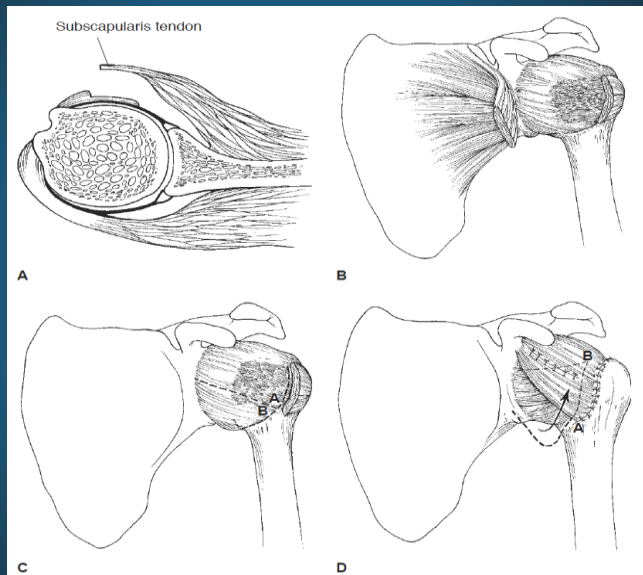
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## Inferior Capsular Shift



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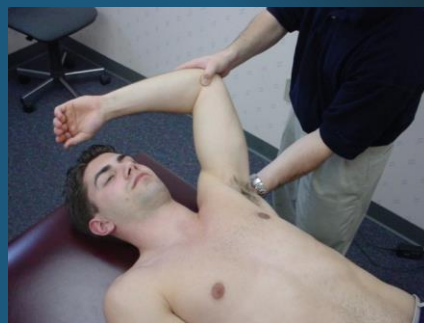


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## SLAP - Crank Test

- Pt : Sitting or Supine
- Scaption 160 degrees
- Axial load with humeral internal <-> external rotation
- (+) pain with external rotation
- (+) mechanical signs/sx
- Bucket-handle tear of from a Type III or Type IV SLAP lesion



(+) LR : 2.44

(-) LR : 0.51



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## Labral: Compression-Rotation Test

- Glenohumeral joint long axis compression with rotation
- (+) Provocation: Grind the labrum between the glenoid and the humeral head
- 90 - 160 degrees
- Variations
  - Horizontal ABD with an anterosuperior directed force (anterosuperior labral lesions)
  - Horizontal ADD with a posterosuperior directed force (posterior labral)



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- Pt stand/sit - Hands on hips, thumbs pointing posteriorly
- PT: Stabilize scapula posteriorly, over anterior acromium. Opposite hand posterior aspect elbow.
- Anterior, superior force through elbow.
- (+) Test: mechanical signs/sxs (“clicking”); reproduction of sxs
- Anterior, superior humeral head translation stress superior labrum; traction biceps tendon

## SLAP - Anterior Slide Test



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## SLAP – Biceps Load II

- Pt – **Supine arm ABD to 120 degrees, maximal ER, elbow flexed to 90, supination**
- **Test – Resist elbow flexion**
- **(+) Pain/mechanical signs as superior labrum “peeled” off glenoid**



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## SLAP – Biceps involvement – Speed’s Test

- Pt: **Seated – Elbow extended, full supination**
- **Test: Resist flexion 0-60 degrees**
- **(+): P! bicipital groove**



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## SLAP – Passive Distraction Test

- Shoulder Flexed to 150 degrees
- Elbow extended, Forearm supinated
- Test: Forearm pronation
- (+) reproduce Pain



(+) LR : 8.83

(-) LR : 0.50



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## SLAP - Dynamic Labral Shear Test

- Passive ABD to 120 degrees
- Full ER at 90 degrees
- Shoulder lowered 120 to 60 degrees
- (+) mechanical symptoms, posterior joint pain



(+) LR : 31.57

(-) LR : 0.29



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## AC/Labral - O'Brien Test/Active Compression

- Pt: Standing – flexed to 90 degrees, 15 degrees Horiz ADD, full IR (pronation)
  - Resist flexion pronated
  - Repeat in full supination
  - (+) AC - Incr superior P!
  - (+) Labral – Incr “deep non specific” shoulder pain
- (+) LR (SLAP) : 1.06
- (-) LR : (SLAP) : 0.89

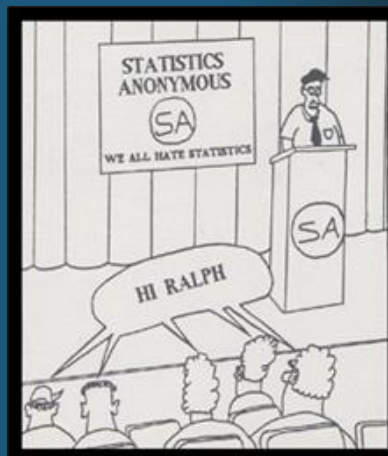


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## Test Cluster Labral Tear

- (+) Relocation Test
  - (+) Active Compression Test
- (+) LR : 4.56
- (-) LR 0.65
- (+) Relocation Test
  - (+) Apprehension Test
- (+) LR : 5.43
- (-) LR : 0.67



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## AC – Posterior Shear – Compression

### Paxinos Test

- Pt: Seated, UE neutral
- PT: Standing perpendicular to shoulder
  - Anterior hand contact distal Clavicle
  - Posterior hand stabilize posterior Acromium
- Assess: Posterior glide Clavicle on Acromium – Shear/Compression;



Provoke Sxs

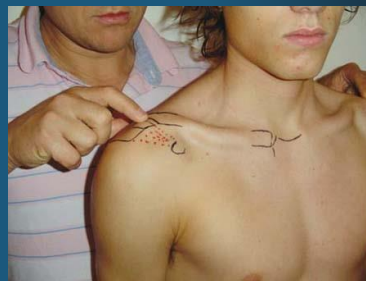


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## DIAGNOSTIC VALUES OF TESTS FOR ACROMIOCLAVICULAR JOINT PAIN

	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
Paxinos test	79	50
Acromioclavicular joint tenderness	96	10
O'Brien test	16	90



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## Diagnostic accuracy of five orthopedic clinical tests for diagnosis of superior labrum anterior posterior (SLAP) lesions

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- **5 SLAP tests**
  - O'Brien's
  - Dynamic Labral Shear Test
  - Speed's
  - Biceps Load II
  - Labral Tension
- **MRI**
- **Confirmed Arthroscopically**
- **None provided diagnostic utility**
  - Stand alone
  - Clustered
- **56% Concomitant findings**
- **Biceps Load II test demonstrated utility in identifying patients with a SLAP-only lesion, with a PPV = 26**



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## Choosing which SLAP test

Subjective Exam should guide your Objective Exam

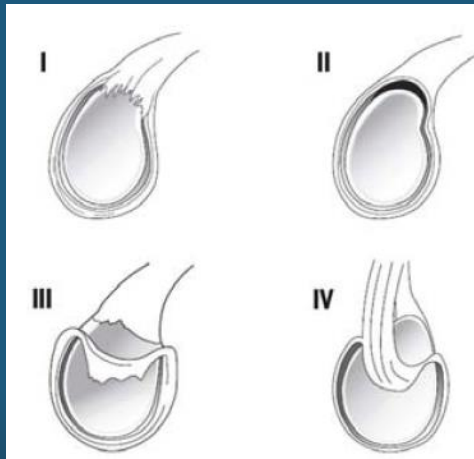
- (1) Overhead Athletes that present with peel-back lesions
- (2) Compression injuries from someone that falls onto an outstretched arm or on the side of the shoulder. This will compress and shear the labrum, similar to a meniscus tear
- (3) Traction injuries from a sudden eccentric biceps contraction (least common)
- **Peel-Back Injury:**
  - Biceps Load II
  - Crank
- **Compression Injury:**
  - Active Compression
  - Compression Rotation
  - Passive Distraction
  - Dynamic Labral Shear
- **Traction Injury:**
  - Speed's
  - Active Compression



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# SLAP Lesions: An Update on Recognition and Treatment



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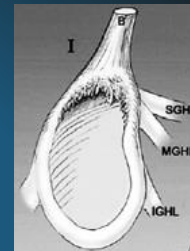


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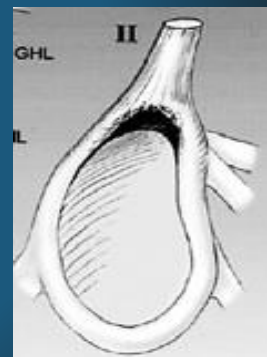
- **Type I SLAP lesions**

- Isolated fraying of the superior labrum with a firm attachment of the labrum to the glenoid
- Degenerative
- ? Normal finding



- **Type II SLAP lesions**

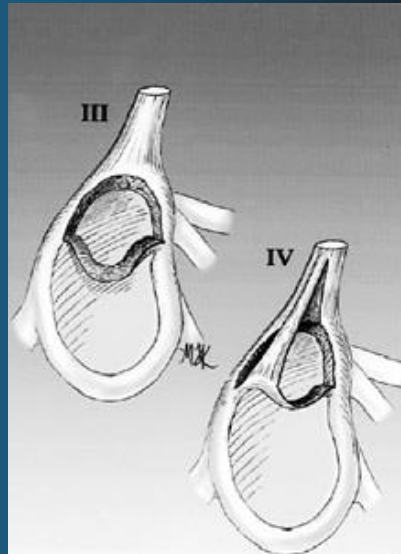
- Detachment of the superior labrum and the origin of the tendon of the long head of the biceps brachii from the glenoid resulting in labral anchor
- Most common
- Three distinct sub-categories of type II SLAP lesions
  - 37% presented with an anterosuperior lesion (traumatic)
  - 31% with a posterosuperior lesion (overhead athletes)
  - 31% exhibited a combined anterior and superior lesion



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- **Type III SLAP lesions**
  - **Bucket-handle tear of the labrum with an biceps insertion**
  - **The labrum tears and flips into the joint similar to a meniscal tear**
- **Type IV SLAP lesions**
  - **Bucket-handle tear of the labrum involving the biceps tendon**
  - **Instability of the biceps-labrum anchor is also present**



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## Mechanism - SLAP

- **Traumatic**
- **Compression of the superior joint surfaces superimposed with subluxation of the humeral head**
  - **FOOSH**
  - **Bracing oneself during a motor vehicle accident**
  - **Direct blows**
  - **Falling onto the point of the shoulder**
  - **Forceful traction injuries of the upper extremity**
- **Repetitive Overhead Use**
  - **Throwing Athletes**
  - **High Eccentric activity of the biceps brachii during the arm deceleration and follow-through phases of the overhead throw**

*Peel back” mechanism*



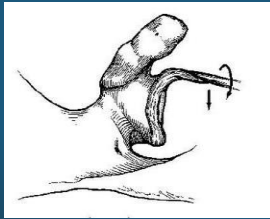
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- Shoulder in a position of ABD and maximal EXT ROT

- Rotation produces a twist at the base of the biceps

- Torsional force to the anchor



## “Peel Back”

- SLAP lesions
  - Combination biceps activity during deceleration may serve to weaken the biceps-labrum complex
  - Torsional peel back force may result in the posterosuperior detachment of the labral anchor



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## • Concomitant Injuries

- 45% (73% pitchers) Partial thickness RTC tear (supraspinatus)
- 11% Complete RTC tear
- 22% Bankart lesion
- Type I - RTC pathology
- Type III/IV - Instability
- Type II
  - Older Patients = RTC pathology
  - Younger = Anterior instability

## SLAP



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## Glenoid Labral Tears: Presentation

- Hx repetitive overhead / long head biceps eccentrics
- Sx ↑ with arm in overhead position
- Deep, Non-specific post shoulder ache
- Mechanical signs/sxs: painful or non-painful pop/catch/click
- Hx of dislocation / subluxation
- C/o instability
- Click/catch may be reproduced w/ special tests
- Additional Dx?: Impingement, GH instability, RTC tear



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## SLAP REPAIR POSTOPERATIVE REHABILITATION GUIDELINES

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<p>Patient begins program, as directed by physician, on first postoperative day</p> <p><b>Phase 1 (0-3 wk)</b></p> <p>Sling immobilization, as directed by physician</p> <p>Codman's/pendulum exercises</p> <p>Hand/wrist/elbow ROM exercises</p> <p>Gripping exercises</p> <p>FF plane of scapula PROM/AAROM (supine), limit to 90°</p> <p>Passive ER to neutral</p> <p>Passive elbow abduction to 30°</p> <p>Cryotherapy/modalities PRN</p> <p><b>Phase 2 (3-6 wk)</b></p> <p>Discontinue sling, physician directed</p> <p>Continue FF plane of scapula PROM/AAROM (wand/pulleys), rate of progression based on patient's tolerance</p> <p>ER PROM/AAROM to 30°</p> <p>Manual scapular stabilization exercise, side lying</p>	<p>Begin pain-free IR/ER isometrics in modified neutral</p> <p>No biceps strengthening</p> <p>Cryotherapy/modalities PRN</p> <p><b>Phase 3 (6-8 wk)</b></p> <p>Progress PROM/AAROM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FF plane of scapula and abduction to 180°</li> <li>• ER to 90°</li> </ul> <p>Begin isotonic IR/ER strengthening in modified neutral</p> <p>Begin latissimus strengthening, below 90° elevation</p> <p>Begin upper body ergometer, below 90° elevation</p> <p>Begin humeral head stabilization exercises, if adequate strength and ROM exists</p> <p><b>Phase 4 (8-10 wk)</b></p> <p>Continue aggressive scapula strengthening</p> <p>Advance strengthening for deltoid, biceps, triceps, and latissimus, as tolerated</p> <p>Begin PNF patterns</p> <p>Continue humeral head stabilization exercises</p>	<p>Advance IR/ER to elevated position in overhead athletes (must be pain free and have good proximal strength)</p> <p>Continue UBE for endurance training</p> <p>Begin general flexibility exercises</p> <p><b>Phase 5 (10-14 wk)</b></p> <p>Continue full upper extremity strengthening</p> <p>Restore normal shoulder flexibility</p> <p>Begin activity-specific plyometric program</p> <p>Continue endurance training</p> <p>Type II repairs, begin gentle resisted biceps isotonic strengthening</p> <p><b>Phase 6 (14-24 wk)</b></p> <p>Continue flexibility exercises</p> <p>Continue full strengthening program</p> <p>Begin return to interval throwing, physician-directed</p> <p>Type IV repairs, progress to isotonic biceps strengthening</p> <p>Continue endurance training</p>
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## Rehabilitation and Return to Play Following Superior Labral Anterior to Posterior Repair



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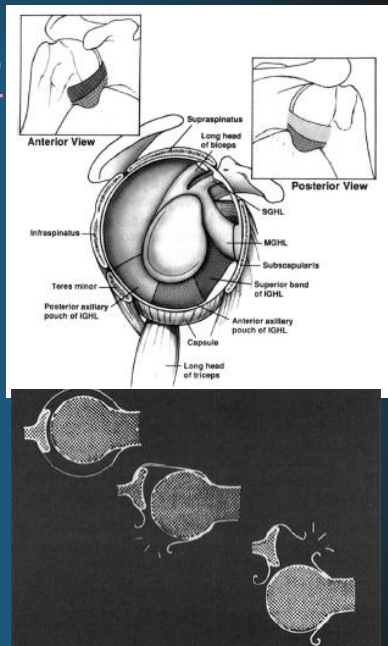
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## “Circle Concept of Stability”

- Balance of Passive/Dynamic Restraints
  - Ligamentous lesion on one side of the joint capsule may result in shifting loads to the opposite side of the capsule permitting the humeral head to subluxate or dislocate

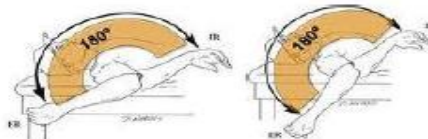


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## Throwers Total Motion Concept

- Normal total arc of motion for thrower is 180 degrees



Wilk K, Meister K, Andrews JR. Current concepts in the rehabilitation of the overhead throwing athlete. *Am J Sports Med* 2002;30:136-151.

- Loss of IR of the throwing shoulder of 20° or more as compared with the non throwing shoulder = **GIRD**
- TRM in the throwing shoulders of professional baseball pitchers is within 5° of the non throwing shoulder



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**Assessment of GIRD:** Glenohumeral internal rotation is measured with the patient in supine position, the shoulder abducted 90°, and the scapula stabilised against the table



Cools A M BJSM 2008

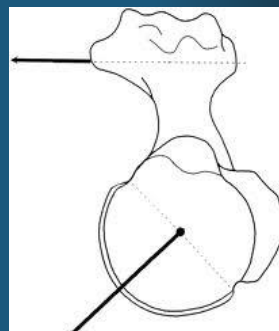
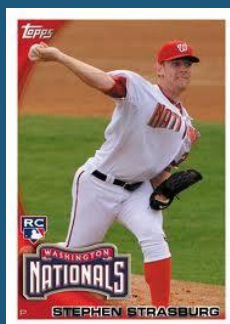


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## Causes of GIRD

- Osseous
- Capsular contracture
- Muscular (ER) tightness
- Scapular positioning
- Posture

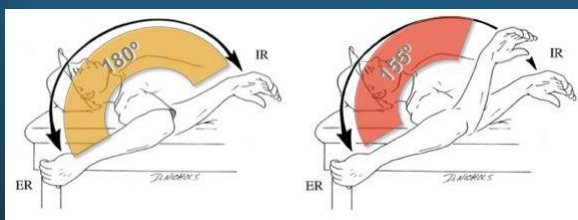


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## GIRD is a loss of IR ROM in the presence of a loss of TRM

- Loss of side-to-side IR is actually a normal anatomical variation in overhead athletes and should not be considered pathological GIRD unless there is a subsequent loss of total rotational motion in the dominant arm as well.



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## GIRD = (Side-to-side difference in ER) + (Side-to-side difference in IR)

- Player 1 = (D ER 120 deg - ND ER 100 deg = +20 deg ER) + (D IR 60 deg - ND IR 80 deg = -20 deg IR) = 0 deg
- Loss of 20 degrees this is not pathological GIRD because total motion is the same bilaterally
- Player 2 = (D ER 120 deg - ND ER 100 deg = +20 deg ER) + (D IR 35 deg - ND IR 80 deg = -45 deg IR) = -25 deg GIRD
- This represents a pathological GIRD because both IR and total rotational motion are limited



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# The Association of Scapular Kinematics and Glenohumeral Joint Pathologies

**TABLE 3**

**PROPOSED BIOMECHANICAL MECHANISMS OF SCAPULAR KINEMATIC DEVIATIONS**

Mechanism	Associated Effects
Inadequate serratus activation	Lesser scapular upward rotation and posterior tilt
Excess upper trapezius activation	Greater clavicular elevation
Pectoralis minor tightness	Greater scapular internal rotation and anterior tilt
Posterior glenohumeral joint soft tissue tightness	Greater scapular anterior tilt
Thoracic kyphosis or flexed posture	Greater scapular internal rotation and anterior tilt, lesser scapular upward rotation

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**Physical Exam \*Asterisks\* Signs/Symptoms** (Special tests, Movement/Joint Dysfunction, Posture, Palpation, etc)

- **AROM – limited elevation® - stiff > pain, limited ER @ 90 (pain); significantly Limited IR - stiff/painful**
- (-) Cervical – cleared
- (-) Lag sign, (-) Drop arm, (-) Painful arc; (-) Biceps Load II, (-) Speeds, (-) HK, (-) Neers
- (+2) Sulcus bilaterally @ 0; (+) Load/shift; (+) Relocation; (+) Ant slide; (+) Compression rotation – Incr with Horiz ABD
- **Decr strength with pain resisted ER, Scaption**
- Limited Inferior>posterior GH mobility
- **Scapular dyskinesia with all elevation – Inferior angle prominence with incr upward rotation.**

- Are the relationships between the areas on the body chart, the interview, and physical exam consistent? “Do the features fit” a recognizable clinical pattern? **Yes** **No**

If NO, Please explain areas that may need clarification, if YES what:

**Ant instability, possible SLAP tear, GIRD + Scapular dyskinesia with RTC tendonitis/bursitis (compression)/IMP**



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**Rate your assessment of Severity & Irritability**

Justify your assessment with examples from the Subjective Exam &/or Objective Exam

- Severity      Non      **Min**      Mod      Max

**Unable to swim, stiff/painful with overhead use, Incr mechanical signs/sxs**

- Irritability      Non      Min      **Mod**      Max

**Instability tests (+), RTC tests (+); Able to use pain free with the exception of overhead – throwing/swimming, reaching with load**

Stage & Stability?

- Acute**      Subacute      Chronic      Acute on chronic

- Stable**      Improving      Worsening      Fluctuating      Red Flags

**Identify any potential risk factors (Yellow, Red flags, non MSK involvement, biopsychosocial)**

**Anxious to begin Triathlon training – increased swimming volume; not interested in surgical consult; coaching daughter’s softball team – needs to throw.**



**Identify “gap” in knowledge.**

<u>P</u> atient or <u>P</u> roblem	<u>I</u> ntervention	<u>C</u> omparison <u>I</u> ntervention	<u>O</u> utcomes
<b>Patient with GIRD</b>	<b>Best stretch to improve IR ROM, capsular mobility</b>		<b>Increased ROM, Improved function – swim (overhead sports).</b>

Article Reviewed:

**McClure P, Balacuis J, Heiland D, Broersma ME, Thorndike CK, Wood A.A randomized controlled comparison of stretching procedures for posterior shoulder tightness. J Orthop Sports Phys Ther. 2007 Mar;37(3):108-14.**

What did you learn from article to apply to clinical case?

**The cross-body stretch in individuals with limited shoulder internal rotation ROM appears to be more effective than no stretching in controls without internal rotation asymmetry to improve shoulder internal rotation ROM.**



## Effectiveness of Stretching on Posterior Shoulder Tightness and Glenohumeral Internal-Rotation Deficit: A Systematic Review of Randomized Controlled Trials

This review suggests that there is moderate evidence to support the immediate and short-term effects of active, passive, and MET forms of cross-body stretch to resolve PST and GIRD among asymptomatic young subjects. On the other hand, moderate evidence was found to suggest that active sleeper stretch might not be more effective than no intervention to improve PST and GIRD in the short term.

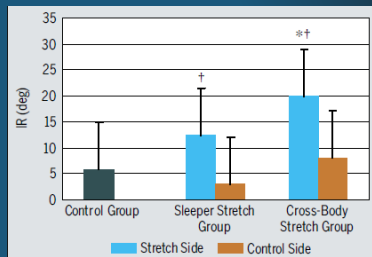
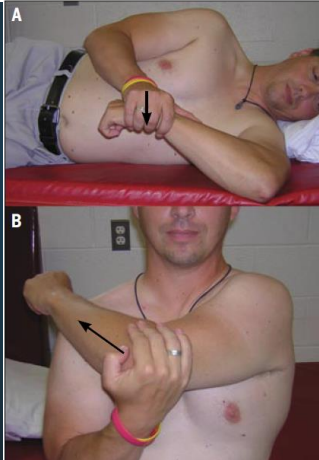
*Journal of Sport Rehabilitation*, 2017, 26, 294-305



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## A Randomized Controlled Comparison of Stretching Procedures for Posterior Shoulder Tightness McClure JOSPT 2007



**FIGURE 4.** Changes in IR90 over the 4-week stretching period for all groups. Positive changes represent increased motion. Control group values represent the average of both right and left sides. Error bars represent standard deviation. \*Significant change on stretch side compared to control group ( $P < .01$ ); †Significant change compared to control side ( $P < .001$ ).

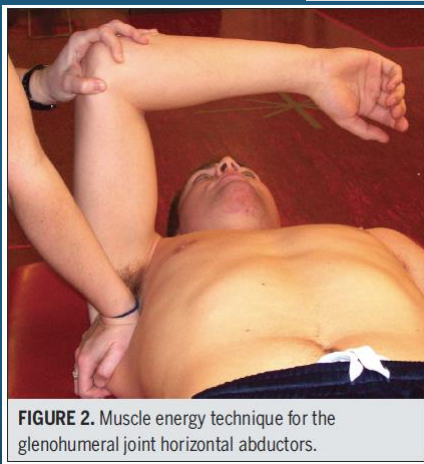


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# The Immediate Effects of Muscle Energy Technique on Posterior Shoulder Tightness: A Randomized Controlled Trial

*J Orthop Sports Phys Ther* 2011;41(6):400-407



**FIGURE 2.** Muscle energy technique for the glenohumeral joint horizontal abductors.



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# The Modified Sleeper Stretch and Modified Cross-body Stretch to Increase Shoulder Internal Rotation Range of Motion in the Overhead Throwing Athlete



**¼ Rotation back**  
**Contract relax**



**Elbow up on towel to increase**  
**post capsule stretch**



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## Performing the Sleeper Stretch Correctly

- **Scapula position**
  - Roll onto your side and make sure that your **scapula is retracted**; lie mostly on your rib cage and the outside border of your scapula
- **Shoulder position**
  - Roll backwards so your body is facing upward at close to a 45 degree angle
  - into the **scapular plane** that stretches more of the posterior musculature.
- **Intensity**
  - **Gently** push down until you feel a **MILD** stretch and hold for 30 seconds. The goal is to feel a mild stretch in the back of your shoulder. Do this gently for a few reps



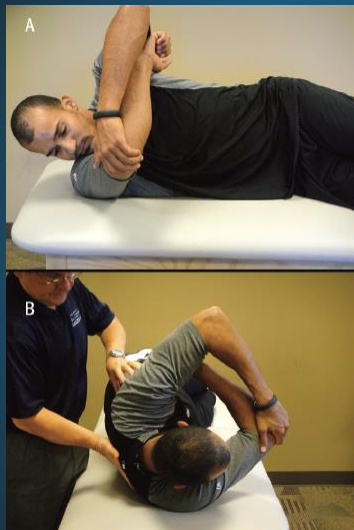
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## Performing the Cross Body Horiz ADD Stretch Correctly



- $\frac{1}{4}$  Rotation back to stabilize scapula
- Pull into Horizontal ADD
- Restrict ER
- Contract Relax
  - Horiz ABD
  - EXT ROT



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# STM to Posterior RTC



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# Teres STM with active elevation



[http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=VOIAE-NXSjI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=VOIAE-NXSjI)



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## LAB

- Cross Body stretch
- MET
- Sleeper stretch
- STM post RTC
- Self STM – post RTC



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### Treatment planning

➤ Impairments	Functional limitations	Goals
<b>ROM loss (IR, elevation)</b> <b>Anterior instability/laxity</b> <b>Scap Dyskinesia</b> <b>Decr ER strength</b> <b>Pain, intermittent mechanical sxs</b>	<b>Overhead use</b> <b>Unable to swim</b>	<b>Full painfree ROM</b> <b>Begin swim training</b> <b>Eliminate mechanical sxs</b>



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## What is your primary treatment Objective after initial evaluation?

- **Education:** Posture - Scapular position at work, relative rest (overhead)
- **Manual Therapy:** (Specific Technique) Post RTC mobilization (STM), Inferior GH mobilization
- **Exercise Prescription:** (Specific)  
Squat-reach (high/low row) – Eccentric serratus, Mid/low trap activation; Cross body stretching
- **Other:** Self mobilization to post RTC



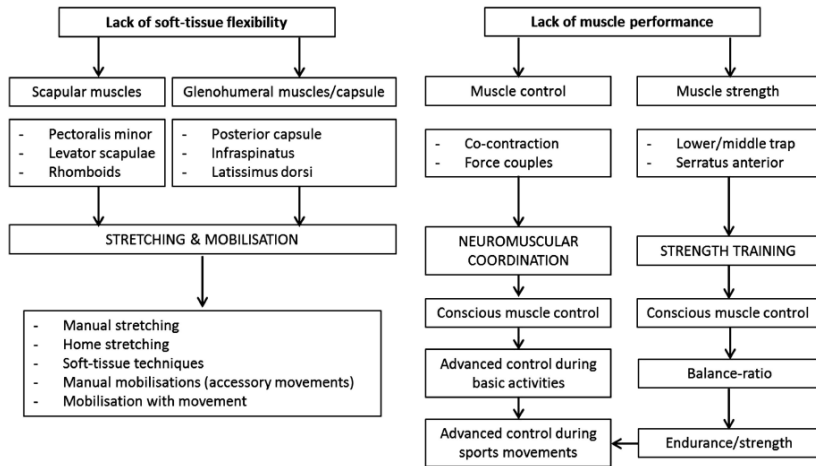
## Key Factors in the Rehabilitation of Shoulder Instability

- Chronicity of Shoulder Instability
- Degree of Shoulder Instability
- Concomitant Pathology
- Direction of Shoulder Instability
- Neuromuscular Control
- Pre-Injury Activity Level



## Rehabilitation of scapular dyskinesis: from the office worker to the elite overhead athlete Cools AMJ, et al. Br J Sports Med 2014

### Scapular Rehabilitation Algorithm



## Electromyographic Analysis of Specific Exercises for Scapular Control in Early Phases of Shoulder Rehabilitation

The American Journal of Sports Medicine, Vol. 36, No. 9



## "Squat and Reach"

**High Row**

**Low Row**

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## Rehabilitation of Scapular Muscle Balance

### Which Exercises to Prescribe?

A B C D

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## Treatment Principles

### Proprioception

- Kinesthesia
- Joint reposition sense
- Progress to fatigued proprioception training



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### Sensorimotor contribution to shoulder stability: Effect of injury and rehabilitation<sup>☆</sup>

- Injury to static restraints alters sensorimotor response → Functional Instability
- Altered Proprioception/Kinesthesia – Patients with instability
- CNS processing alterations – **Bilateral deficit**
- Pain affects proprioception
- Muscle activation dysfunction (RTC co contraction)
- **Rehab:**
  - Restore RTC co contraction
  - Perturbations
  - Plyometrics
  - CKC

Myers JB Man Ther 2006



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## Proprioception Ther Ex

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## Sport Specific Training

### Neuromuscular Re-Education

Unconscious Incompetence

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Conscious Incompetence

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Conscious Competence

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Unconscious Competence

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# Prevalence of Freestyle Biomechanical Errors in Elite Competitive Swimmers

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Hand Entry

Pull-through

Recovery

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## Hand Entry

- Resist upward force of water
- Max elevation angle
- Scapular dyskinesia = IMP
- Peak Serratus activity
- Upward Scapular rotation



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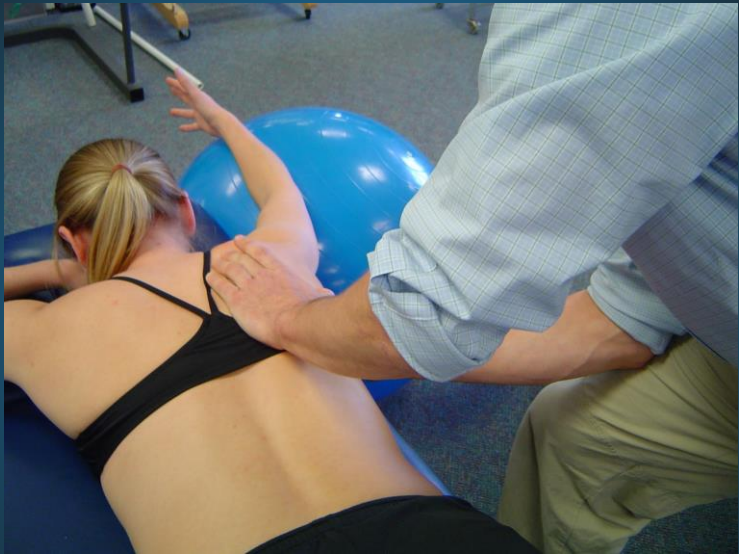
Stroke Phase	Correct Freestyle Biomechanics	Incorrect Freestyle Biomechanics	Relevance of Incorrect Biomechanics to Shoulder Pain
Hand entry	Hand enters water forward and lateral to the head, medial to the shoulder. <sup>6</sup> Figure 2a	Hand enters further away from or crosses the midline of the long axis of the body. <sup>4,8,14</sup> Figure 2b	Increases impingement to the anterior shoulder. <sup>4</sup> Mimics Neer impingement testing position. <sup>14</sup>
	Little finger- or fingers-first hand entry. <sup>4</sup> Figure 3a	Thumb-first hand entry. <sup>4</sup> Figure 3b	Stresses the biceps attachment to the anterior labrum. <sup>4</sup>

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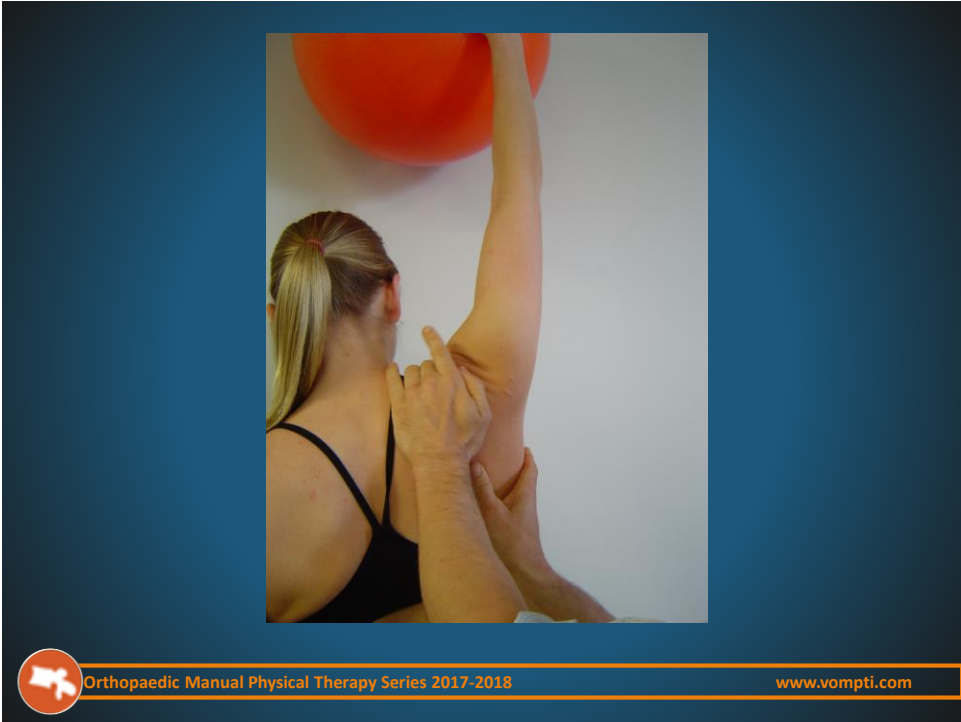
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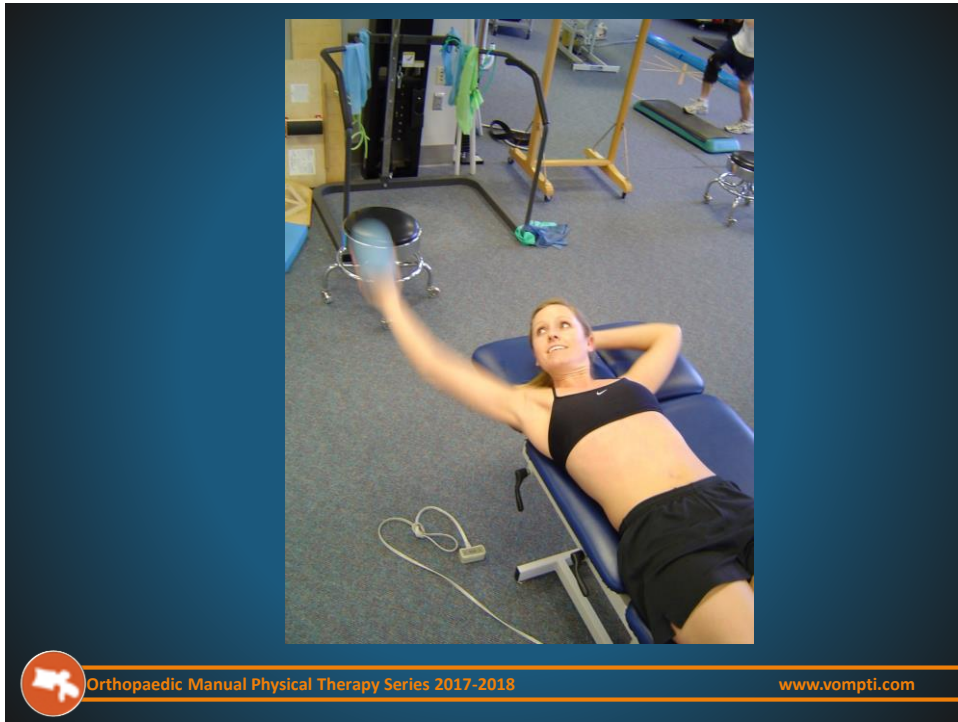
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## Mid Pull through

- Pull body over stable UE
- Scapular dyskinesia = IMP
- “High Elbow” increased surface area
- INT ROT GH; not Scapula
- Stable Scapula



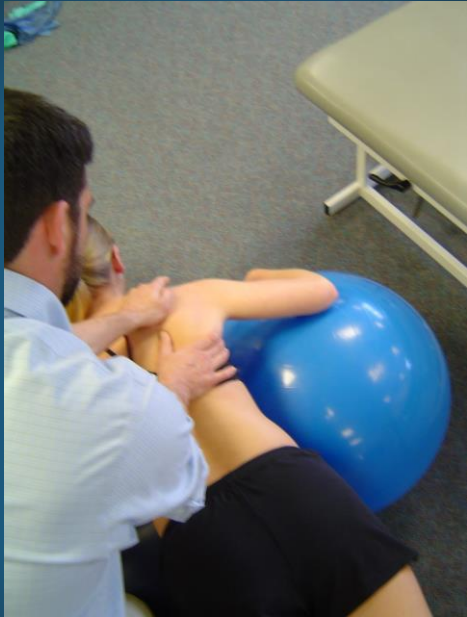
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Pull-through	Elbow kept higher than hand and points laterally throughout pull. <sup>2</sup> Figure 4a	Dropped elbow during pull-through. <sup>15</sup> Figure 4b	Increases external rotation, placing muscles of propulsion at mechanical disadvantage. <sup>7</sup>
	Swimmer should use a straight back pull-through. <sup>2</sup> Figure 5a	S-shaped pull through or excessive horizontal adduction past body midline during pulling. <sup>4</sup> Figure 5b	Increases time spent in the impingement position. <sup>4</sup> Mimics Hawkins Kennedy impingement testing position of horizontal adduction, flexion, and internal rotation.

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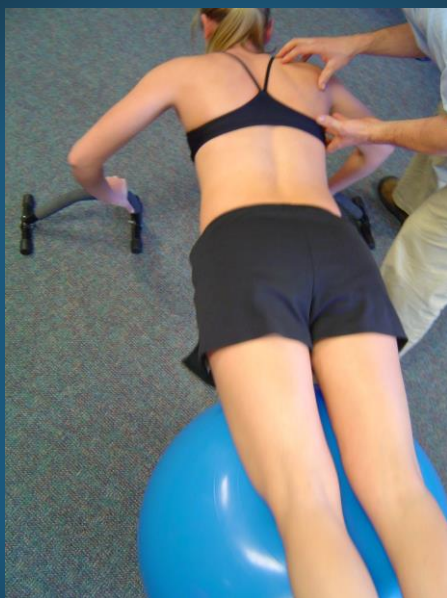
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## Recovery

- Primary Ant IMP
- Secondary Post IMP –  
laxity
- ER strength
- ER Endurance
- Scapular  
retraction/posterior  
tilt



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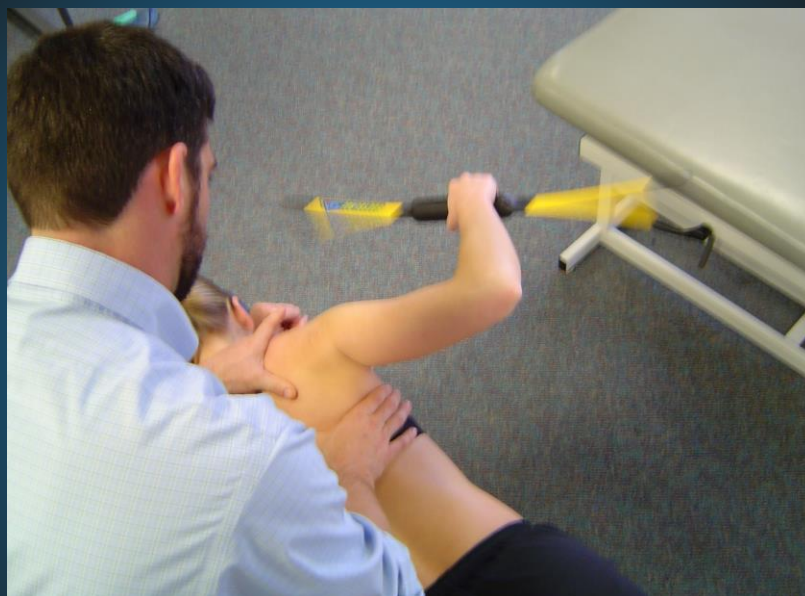
Stroke Phase	Correct Freestyle Biomechanics	Incorrect Freestyle Biomechanics	Relevance of Incorrect Biomechanics to Shoulder Pain
Recovery	Elbow kept higher than the wrist throughout the recovery phase. <sup>4,15</sup> Figure 6a	Dropped elbow during recovery phase. <sup>14</sup> Figure 6b	Leads to an improper entry position with the elbow entering the water before the hand. The water will cause an upward force on the dropped humerus, leading to its superior translation and subacromial impingement in the shoulder. <sup>14</sup>
	Body roll of ~45° along the longitudinal axis of the body. <sup>2,4</sup> Figure 7a	Body roll that is greater or less than 45°. <sup>4</sup> Figure 7b	Excessive roll can lead to crossover entry position during the hand entry and/or pull-through phase. A lack of roll during recovery can increase mechanical stress on the shoulder and lead to improper hand entry position. <sup>4</sup>

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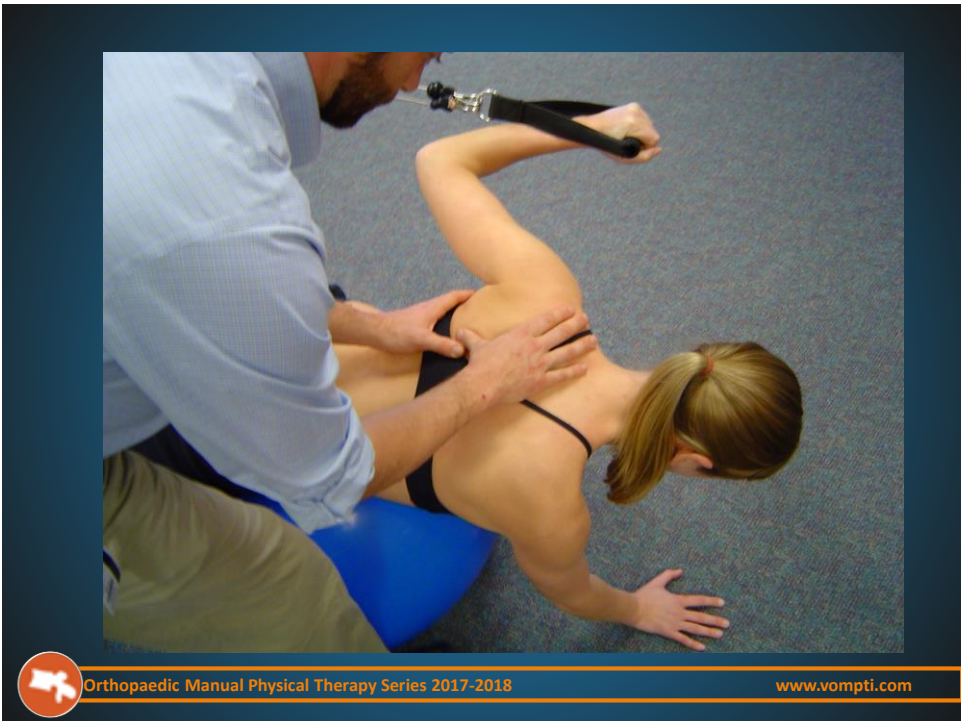
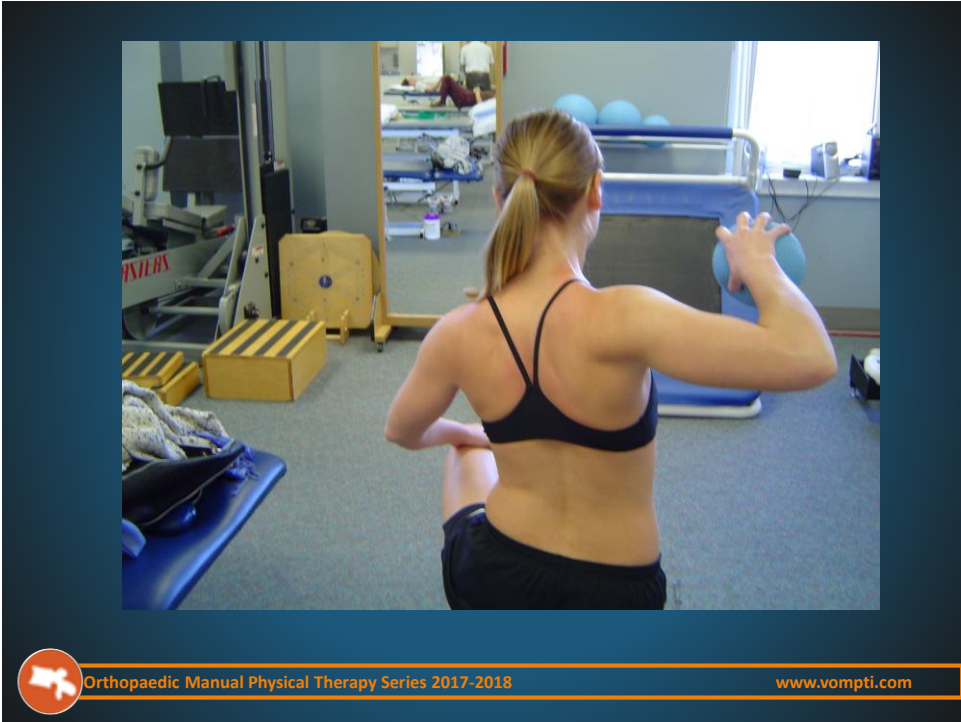
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**The Advanced Throwers Ten Exercise Program:  
A New Exercise Series for Enhanced Dynamic  
Shoulder Control in the Overhead Throwing  
Athlete**

- **IR/ER tubing at 0° of abduction seated on stability ball**
- **Full can seated on stability ball**
- **Lateral raise to 90° of abduction seated on stability ball**
- **Side-lying external rotation (plank)**
- **T raises prone on stability ball**
- **Y raises prone on stability ball**

Phys Sp Med 2011\_Wilk KE



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- **Prone row into ER on stability ball**
- **Lower Trapezius 5 Series**
  - Shoulder extension in ER seated on stability ball
  - Shoulder extension at 45° in ER seated on stability ball
  - Standing wall circle slides
  - Standing low row
  - Standing table press-downs with scapular depression
- **Biceps curls/triceps extensions seated on stability ball**
- **Wrist flexion/extension and supination/pronation**



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What are you going to re assess at subsequent visit? **IR ROM, RTC resisted tests (? Irritability)**

**Prognosis/Expectations:**

- How do you expect to progress your treatment program over subsequent visits?

**Decr RTC irritability; improved GIRD, Improved scapular dyskinesia with elevation, Improved proprioception**

**Associated Factors for expected outcome**

Favorable

Unfavorable

**Min irritable  
No prior hx macro trauma**

**Mechanical sx's - slight  
Concomitant pathology - Laxity/(+) Labral tests/RTC (+), GIRD/Scap dyskinesia  
Micro traumas – overhead use (swim/throw)**

If referral to other providers is indicated, Identify: Specific Recommendations.  
**Advanced Imaging – Contrast MRI (? Labral pathology)**



Identify the key subjective and physical features (i.e. **clinical pattern**) that would help you recognize this disorder in the future.

Subjective	Physical
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Trauma – FOOSH</li> <li>- Location deep non specific ant-post Gh region pain</li> <li>- Overhead athlete</li> <li>- Slight mechanical sx's</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- (+) Ant laxity tests</li> <li>- (+) SLAP tests – compressive</li> <li>- GIRD</li> <li>- Scap dyskinesia</li> </ul>



