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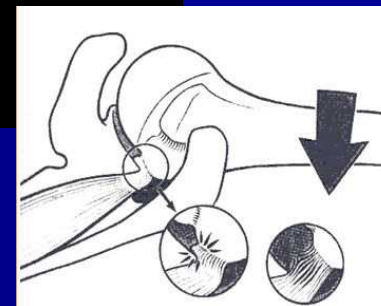
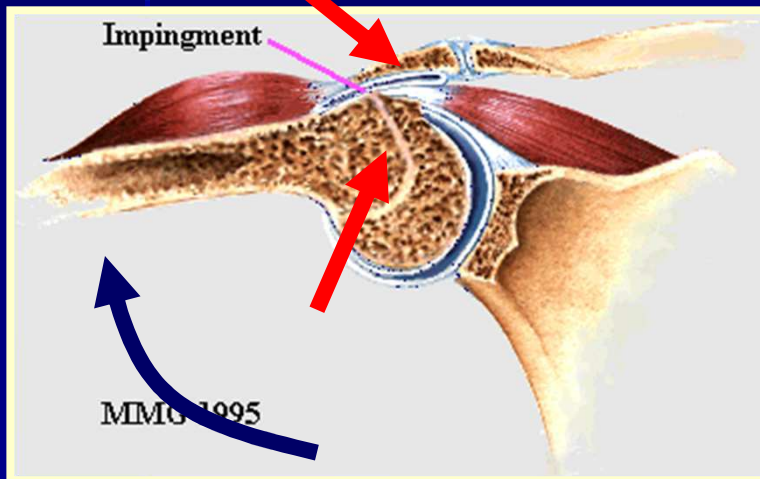
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Shoulder pathology?

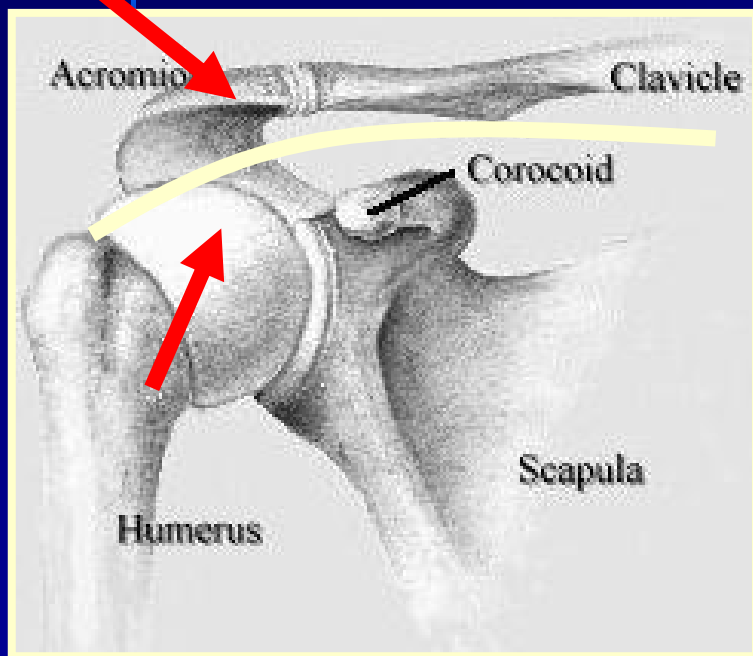
■ Impingement (SA & int)



(Anderson Radiol Clin North Am 2010, Lintner Clin Sports Med 2008, Seroyer Sports Health 2009, Reeser BJSM 2006, Briner Sports Med 1997)

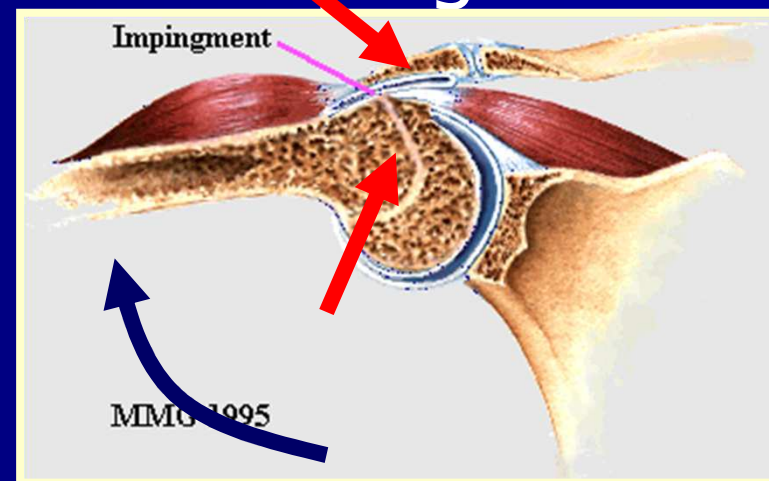
Shoulder impingement

Impingement of soft tissue (tendon)
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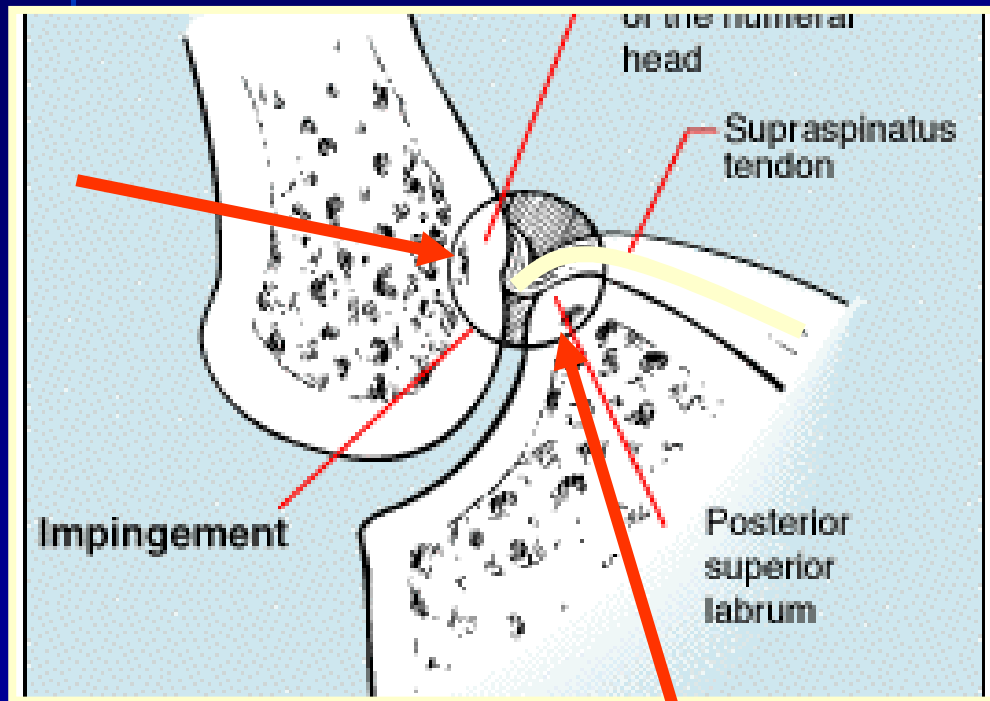
(Neer 1972)

External
(Subacromial)
Impingement

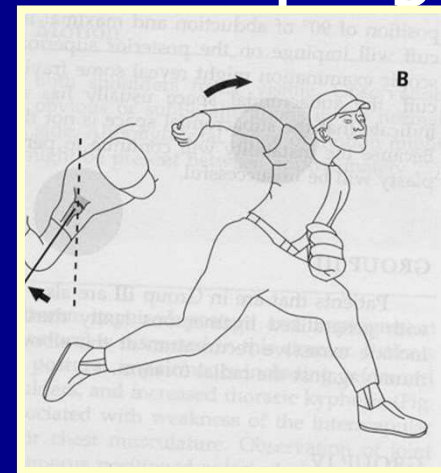


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Internal
(postero superior glenoid)
Impingement

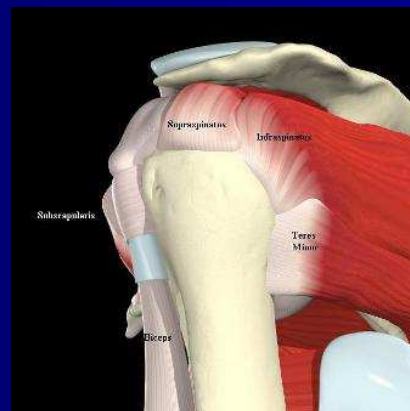
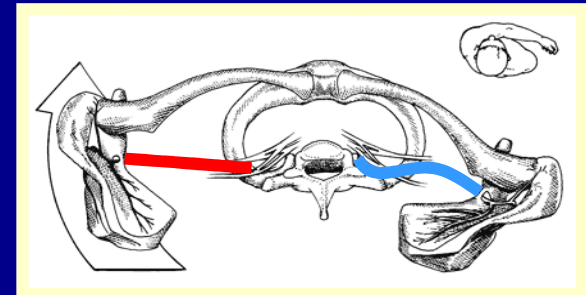


(Walch 1990, Drakos JBJS 2009)

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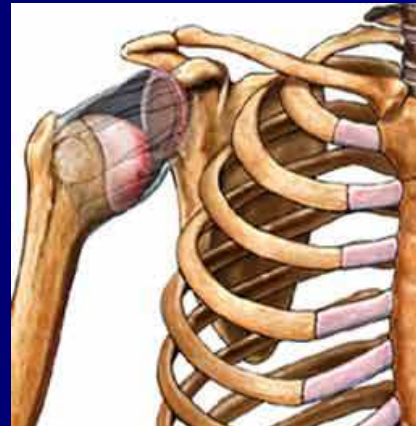
- Impingement
- Rotator cuff dysfunction, including suprascapular nerve entrapment



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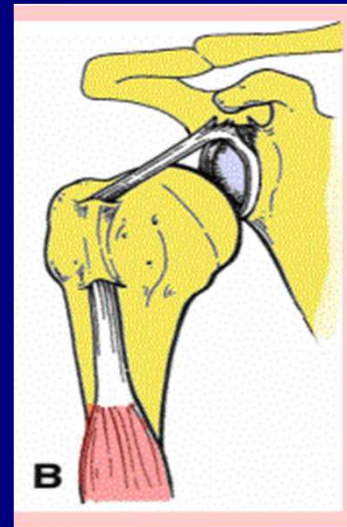
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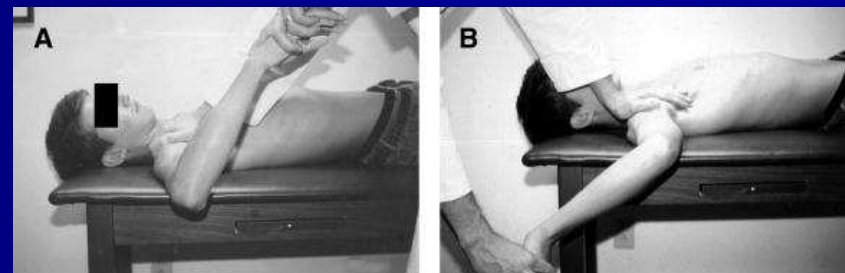
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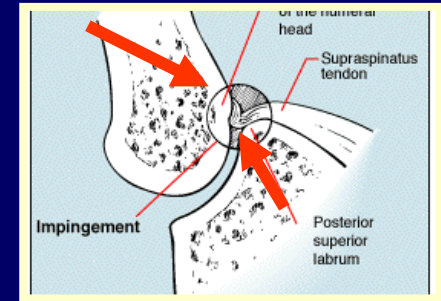
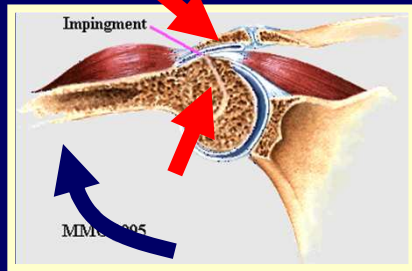
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Shoulder pathology?

- Impingement
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- Instability
- SLAP lesions
- Scapular dyskinesis
- GIRD



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Impingement symptoms

External
Subacromial
impingement

Internal
(posterior)
impingement

Primary
Impingement

Secondary
Impingement

Rotator cuff
pathology

Scapular dyskinesis

instability

Biceps
SLAP

G.I.R.D.

Which exercises activate rotator cuff muscles?

(Jobe 1987, Donatelli 2004, Ellenbecker 2006, Townsend 1991, Reinold 2009)

- Internal rotation
- External rotation
- Full can
- Horizontal abduction with external rotation

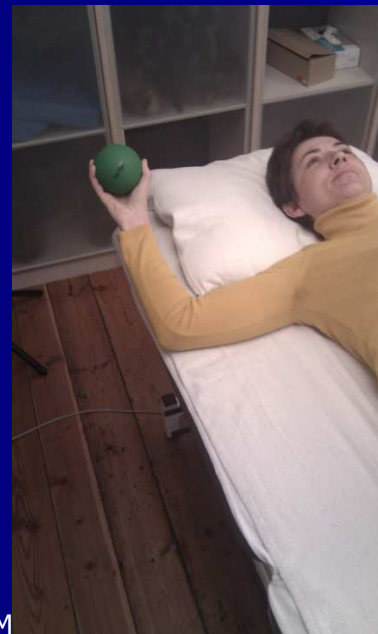
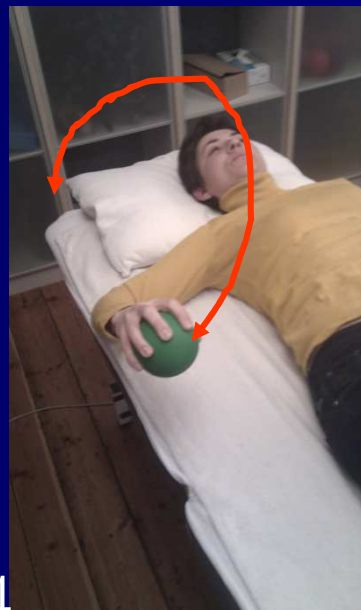


[CLINICAL COMMENTARY]

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Current Concepts in the Scientific
and Clinical Rationale Behind
Exercises for Glenohumeral and
Scapulothoracic Musculature

Exercises to promote RC control



(Anju Jaggi London 2011
Karen Ginn, Goth 2012)

Eccentric exercises



Evidence?

Jonsson et al 2005	Bernhardsson et al 2010	Camargo et al 2012
9 subjects, 12 weeks	10 subjects, 12 weeks	20 subjects, 6 weeks
Ecc. empty can with pulley	Ecc. training SS + IS +scapular stabilisation + stretching UT	Isokinetic device Ecc. Abd 20°-80°
↑Function ↓ Pain	↑Function ↓ Pain	↑ Force (Small change) ↑ Function ↓ Pain
Not randomised No control group	Not randomised No control group	Not randomised No control group

Evidence? Only a few RCT's

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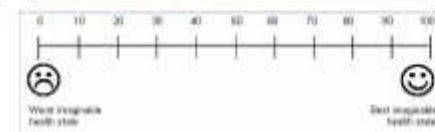
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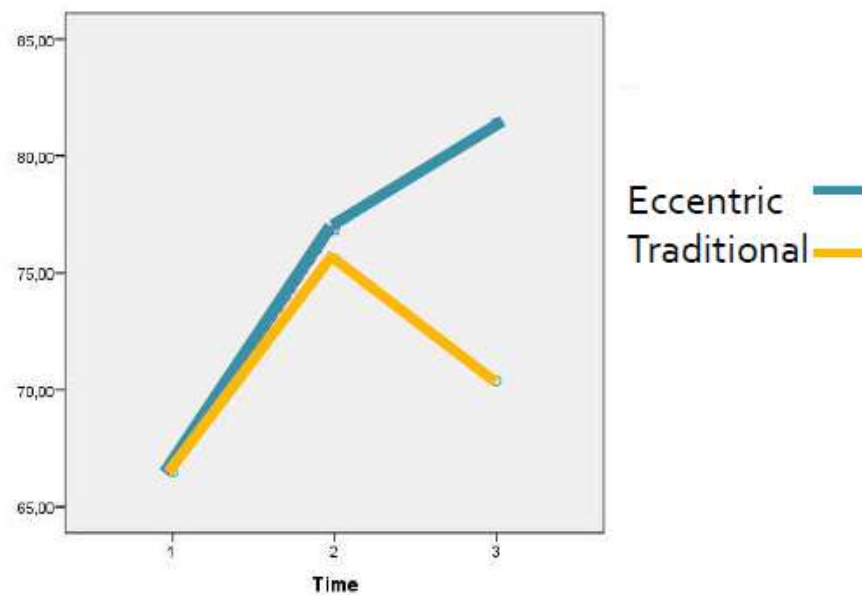
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Dosing~ pain monitoring model

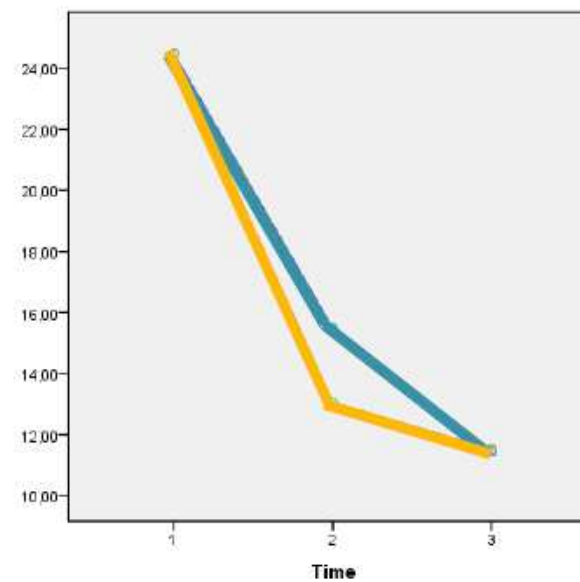


Higher force Supraspinatus test



Covariates appearing in the model are evaluated at the following values: Pre_Abd90 = 66,4786

No difference for pain and function



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Conclusion A specific exercise strategy, focusing on strengthening eccentric exercises for the rotator cuff and concentric/eccentric exercises for the scapula stabilisers, is effective in reducing pain and improving shoulder function in patients with persistent subacromial impingement syndrome. By extension, this exercise strategy reduces the need for arthroscopic subacromial decompression within the three month timeframe used in the study.

Normal strength RC?



- No side differences (10% more strength on dominant side)
- ER/IR ratio 66% (isokinetic testing) or 75% (isometric testing)
- Special attention to ER



(Ellenbecker & Cooks Sports Medicine Congress 2013
Niederdracht et al. 2008)

Measurement of RC strength

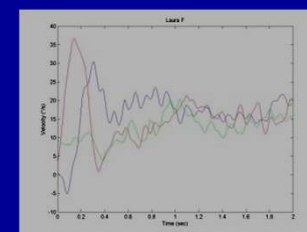
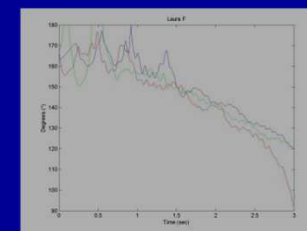
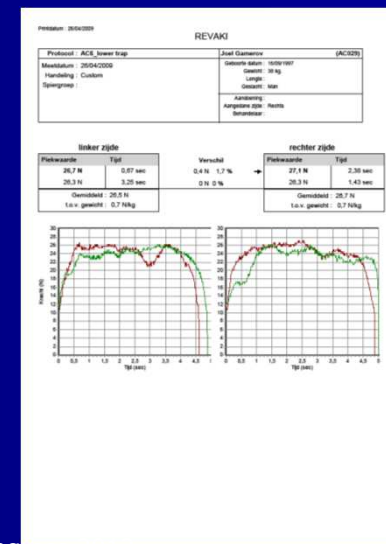


ER/IR ratio <66% increases the risk for
shoulder injury in overhead athletes
(Byram et al. AJSM 2010)

Functional tests?



- Eccentric strength RC:
 - new protocol for ecc strength measurement using compuFET HHD: 90°
 - 3 seconds - ER



Functional tests?

Within- and between tester reliability and validity of a new protocol for measuring eccentric RC strength (Johansson & Cools, paper in progress 2013)



Within tester reliability	tester 1	Tester 2
Trial 1	127,2N	119,1N
Trial 2	122,0N	112,2N
Trial 3	110,9N	111,5N
ICC between trials	0.88	0.86

(Cools et al, BISM 2010, Ann Cools Sports Medicine Congress 2013)
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Between tester reliability

Tester 1

120,1N

Tester 2

114,2N

ICC between testers

0,71

Validity with Biodex

CompuFET

114,2N

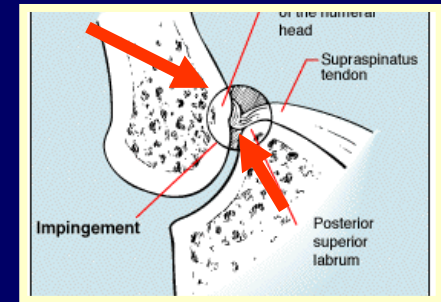
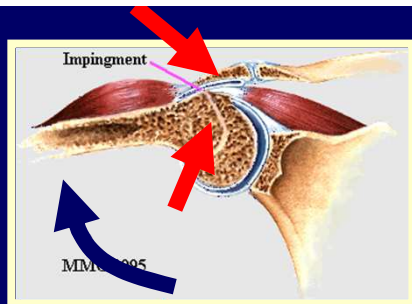
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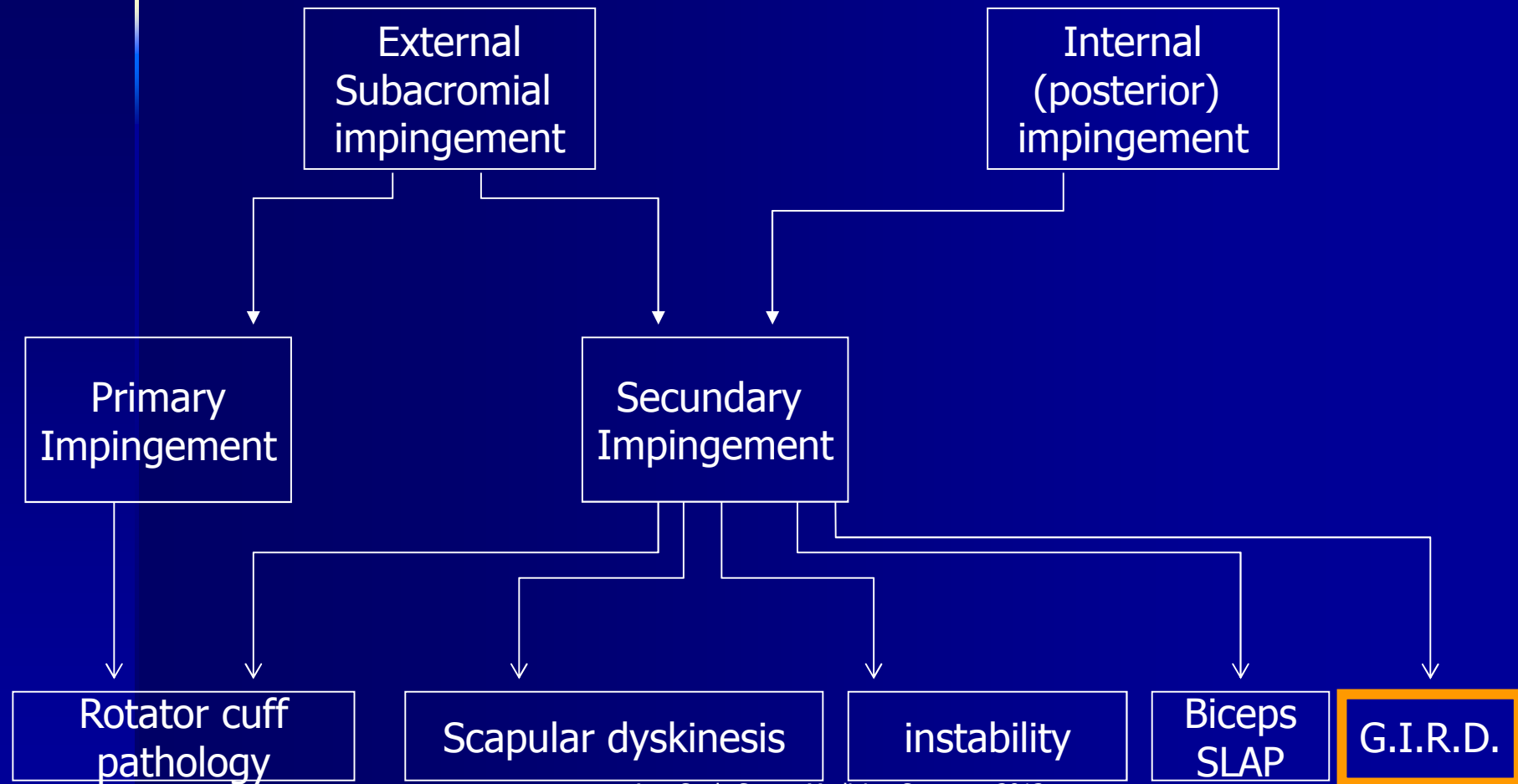
**Pearson Correlation
coefficient**

0,78

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Impingement symptoms



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(Cools et al. BJSM 2008)

Stretching posterior shoulder: clinical experience



POSTERIOR SHOULDER STRETCHING



- Sleeper's stretch & cross body stretch improve ROM (Mc Clure 2005)
- Improvement ROM is related to reduction of symptoms (Tyler 2010)
- Additional manual mobilisations improve ROM (Manske 2010)



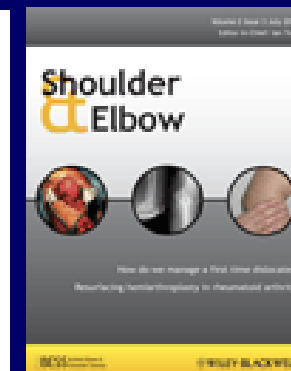
Mechanism and results?

Stretching the posterior shoulder structures in subjects with internal rotation deficit: comparison of two stretching techniques

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Angular stretching



Translation mobilisation

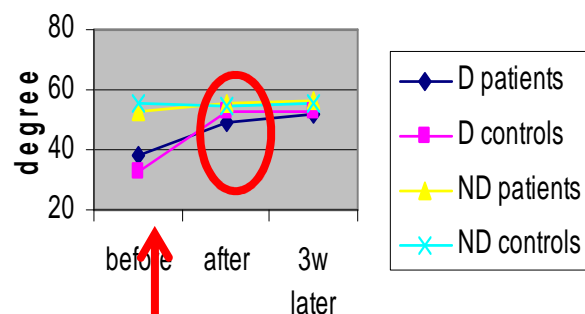


(Cools et al. Shoulder & Elbow 2011)

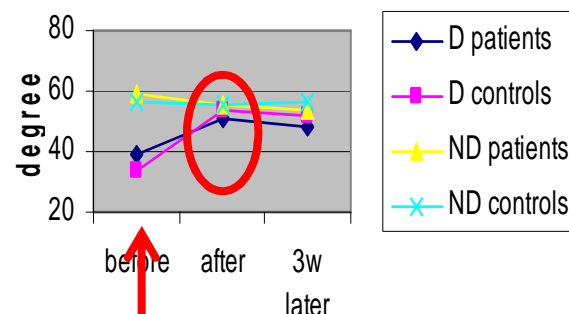
(patients with GIRD: n=30, healthy shoulders with GIRD: n=30)

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angular stretching



translation mobilisations



VAS	Before-after	After-3w later
Pain/movement	p= 0,001	p= 0,042
Hawkins' test	p= 0,001	p= 0,116
Neer's test	p= 0,002	p= 0,223
Apprehension	p= 0,022	p= 0,755
Modified Rowe	p= 0,001	p= 0,125

RESULTS:

- Significant increase in ROM after 3w
- Equal results both techniques
- Significant pain reduction in patient group

(Cools et al. Shoulder & Elbow 2011)

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STRETCHING G.I.R.D.: influence on the subacromial space?



Measurements:

- Acromiohumeral distance (Echoblaster 128; Telemed, Vilnius, Lithuania)
- Glenohumeral ROM (Acumar inclinometer)

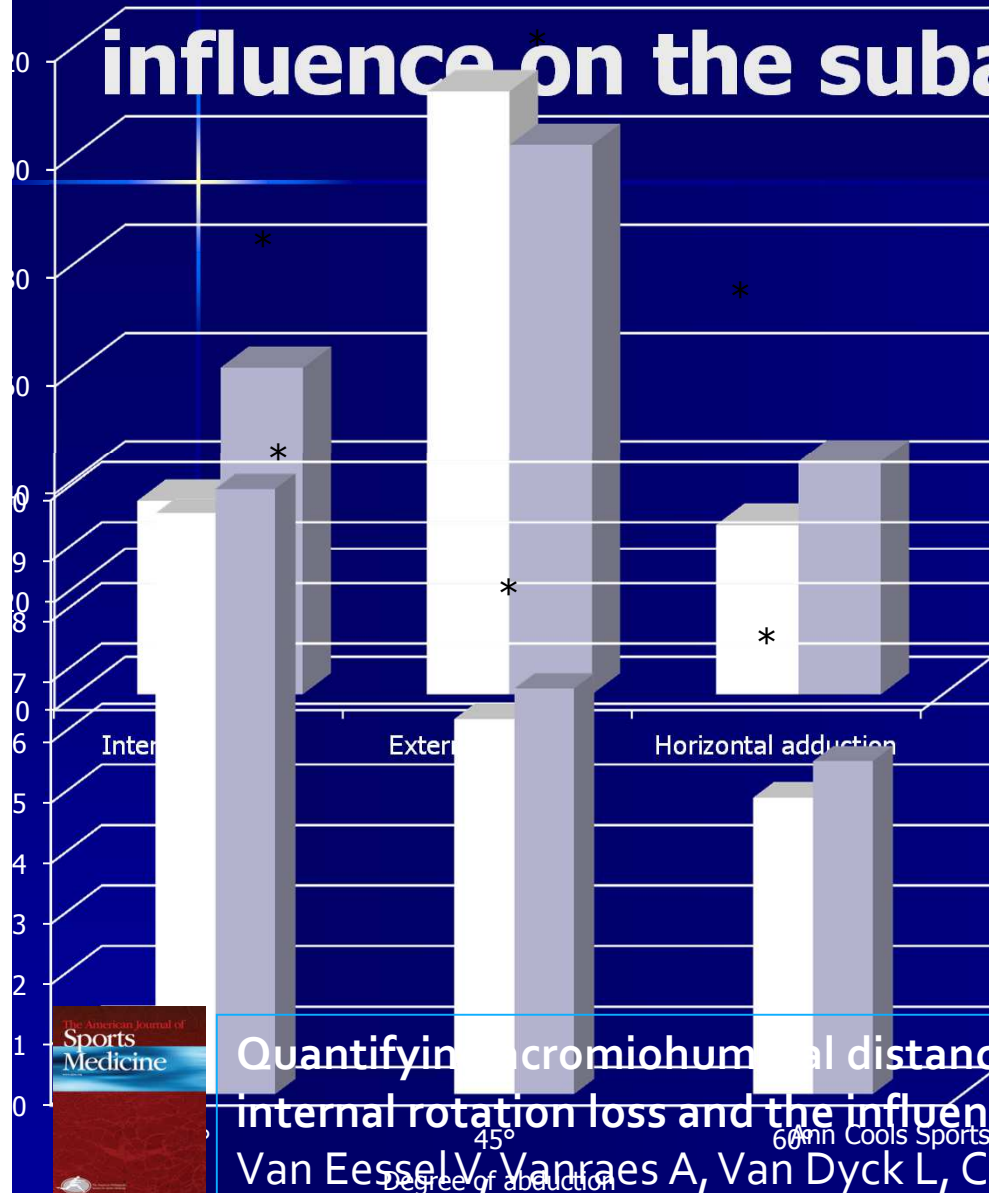


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Six week stretching program (sleeper's stretch daily) increases the ROM into IR and increases the subacromial space



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Take home message

- Impingement is a **symptom**, and the underlying causes should be treated
- In RC pathology, **eccentric training** has benefits for strength, both traditional and eccentric training programs reduce pain and increase function
- **Stretching** of the posterior capsule reduces symptoms, normalizes ROM and increases acromiohumeral distance





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