WHY CUFFS FAIL LESSONS LEARNED



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DISCLOSURES

- CONSULT/TEACH
 - ARTHREX, LINVATEC, SMITH AND NEPHEW
- STOCK
 - PARCUS
- AANA

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ROTATOR CUFF REPAIR THE ENEMY OF SUCCESS......

TECHNIQUE
TOO LITTLE

- **TENSION**
 - TOO MUCH
- TISSUE
 - LOSS OR QUALITY
- ? CAPACITY TO HEAL





WHAT IS A FAILURE OF RC REPAIR



PAIN
STIFFNESS
WEAKNESS

? RE-TEAR

LOSS OF FUNCTION

"I IUST WA"

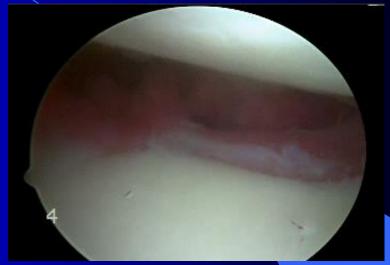
• "I JUST WANT MY LIFE BACK"

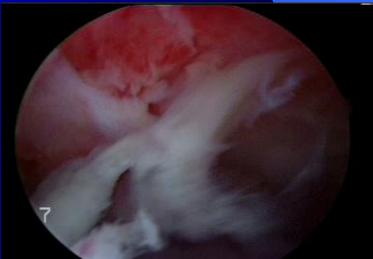
"You slept with her, didn't you?"

Shana

POST OP PAIN FACTORS

- STIFFNESS
- ADHESIONS
 - MOST COMMON
 PROBLEM
 - BLEEDING EARLY
 - DIABETIC
 - PRE-OP ADHESIVE
 CAPSULIS
 - NO PROM
 - TOO MUCH
 DONE





COMPLICATION FACTORS

- TOO MUCH DONE \$\$\$\$
- RCR AND
- SLAP/LABRAL
 REPAIRS
- AC JOINT
- SS NERVE RELEASE ???
- TENODESIS
- BAD DECISIONS= BAD RESULTS

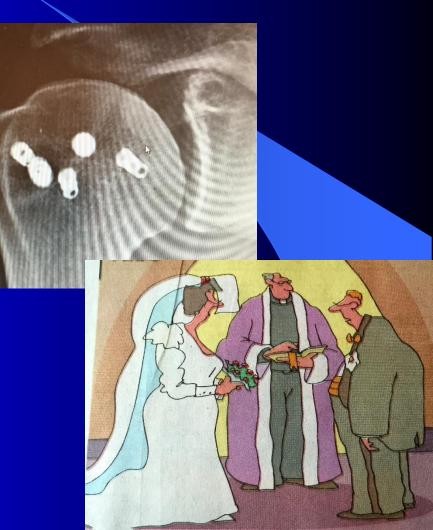


LESS IS BETTER !



WORK UP AND DIAGNOSIS

- REVIEW PRIOR OP NOTES
- REVIEW POST OP PT REGIMEN
- LISTEN TO WHAT BOTHERS THE PATIENT THE MOST



I don't know ... let me sleep on it."

NEW XRAYS

- DJD
- HARDWARE
- PRIOR DECOMPRESSION
- AC JOINT
- FRACTURES

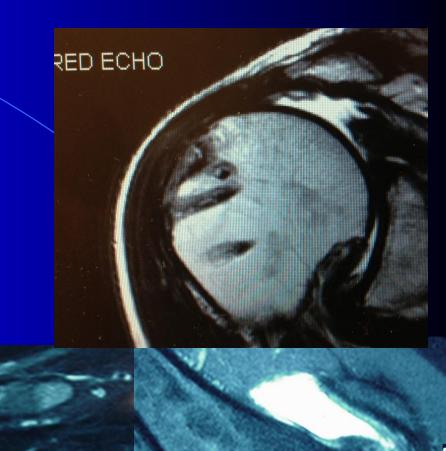




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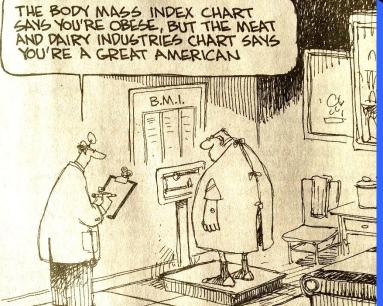
- NO GADOLINIUM
- ? STATUS OF CUFF
- ? EFFUSION
- ? BURSITIS
- ATROPHY OF MUSCLES
- LOOK FOR 3D IMAGE OF ACROMION



PHYSICAL EXAM

- FOCUS ON TRUE PAIN POINTS
- PROM LOSS VS AROM LOSS
 - ALL STIFF !
 - PAINFUL END POINTS
- **STRENGTH**
 - ? RE-TEAR





TREATMENT OPTIONS

- INTRA-ARTICULAR CORTISONE UNDER FLUORO
 - WITH ARTHROGRAM TO CHECK CUFF
- ALTER PT AND WORK REGIMEN
- MOTION IS EVERYTHING !



SURGICAL OPTIONS

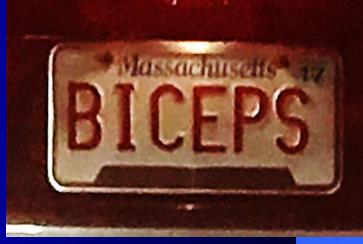
- GOALS, SAVE THE
 DELTOID
- DON'T MAKE A BAD SITUATION WORSE
- ARTHROSCOPIC APPROACH, AVOID OPEN IF POSSIBLE



GLENO-HUMERAL OPTIONS

- ARTHROSCOPY
 - REMOVE
 IMPLANT
 DEBRIS/KNOTS
 - RELEASE ADHESIONS IN CAPSULE
 - TENODESIS FOR BICEPS PATHOLOGY OR SLAPS





SUBACROMIAL REVISION

- ENTRY CAN BE TOUGH AS CUFF SCARS TO ACROMION
- PEEL CUFF OFF
 ACROMION
- TRIANGULATE OFF MID ACROMION AND WORK
 FORWARD AS
 LANDMARKS ARE
 GONE



POST OP CUFF PAIN

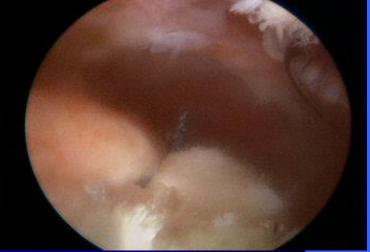




CUFF REPAIR OPTIONS

- ACCEPT PARTIAL OR "SCAR REPAIRS"
- REPAIR FULL
 THICKNESS RC TEARS
- ALTER ANCHORS
- USE THE BICEPS
- BALANCED PARTIAL REPAIR
- ? SCR
- ? REVERSE TSR





REVISION CHALLENGE



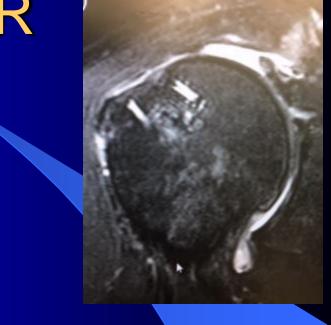




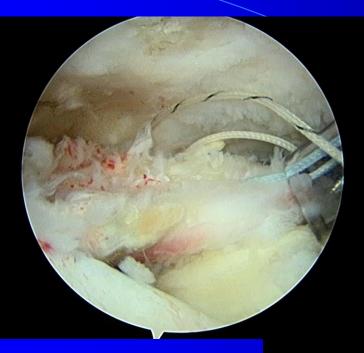


PARTIAL REPAIR

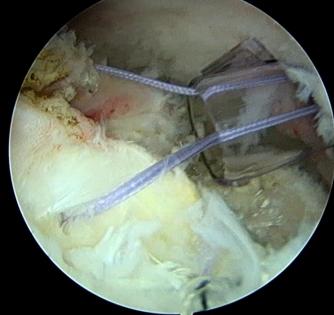




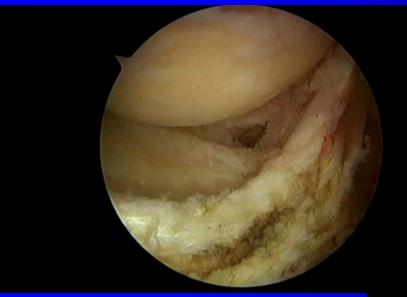




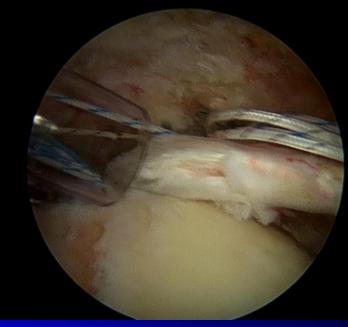




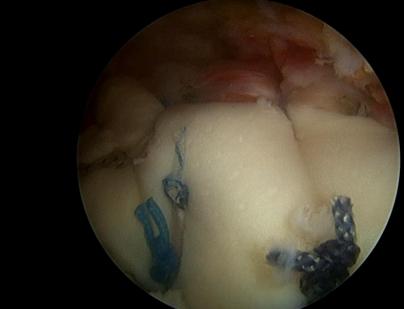












REVISION POINTS

- AVOID TREATING THE MRI REPORT!!!
- FOCUS ON THE PATIENT'S SPECIFIC FINDINGS
- TENSION IS THE ENEMY
- SOFT TISSUE CARE IS VITAL
- PRESERVE THE
 DELTOID
- ENHANCEMENT OF BIOLOGIC HEALING IS THE KEY
- STAY POSITIVE



He'll live!"

THANK-YOU

EVACUATION PLAN 1. GRAB BEER 2. RUN LIKE HELL