

#### **Chadi Tannoury, MD**

Medical Director, Orthopedic Ambulatory Clinic
Associate Professor – Orthopedic Surgery
Director, Spine Research
Boston University Medical Center

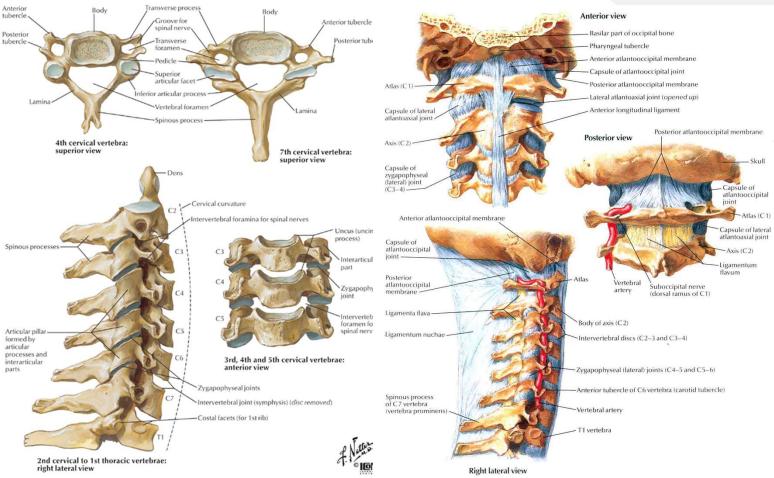
#### **Disclosure**

• I have something to Disclose (Website)

# Anatomy

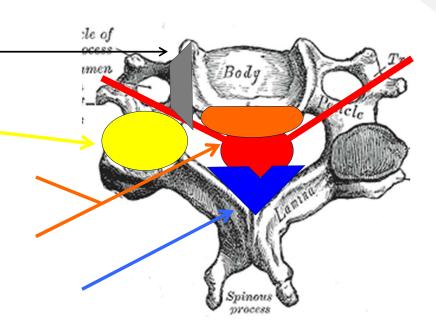
2023

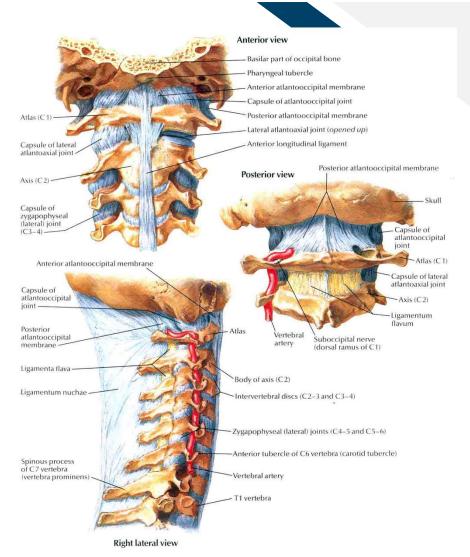
Work Related Injuries
Workshop



# Radiculopathy/ Myelopathy Pathophysiology:

- Direct Mechanical compression NRoot/Cord:
  - Uncus joint
  - Facet joint
  - Disk Osteophyte Complx
  - Disc Herniation OPLL
  - Infolding Ligamentum flavum



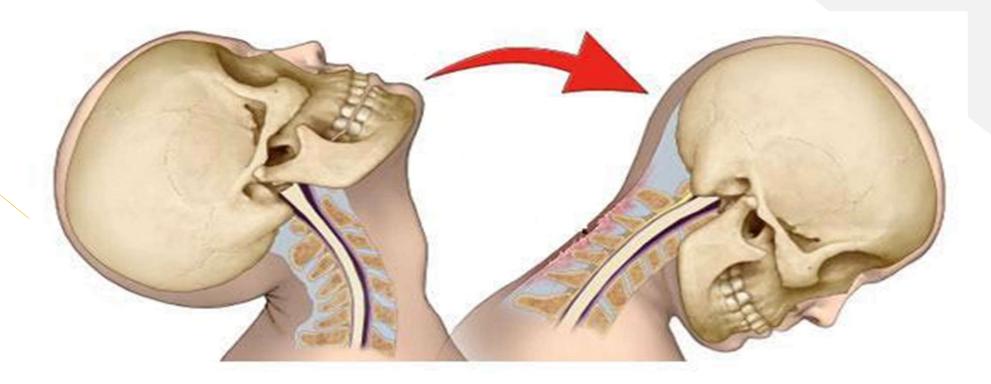


2023

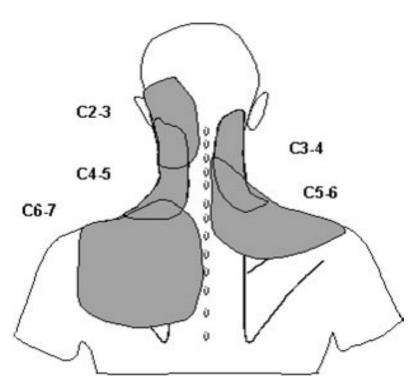
2023

Work Related Injuries
Workshop

## **Cervical Sprain / Whiplash**

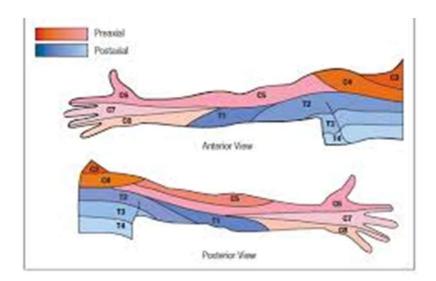


## Discogenic Pain (Spondylosis)



## **Cervical Radiculopathy**

- PINCH'ed NERVE
- Pain is often accentuated by maneuvers that stretch the involved nerve root. Some examples include:
  - Coughing
  - Sneezing
  - Reaching



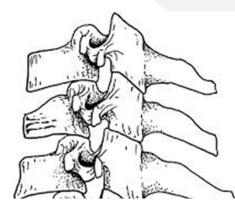
#### **Spinal Cord Compression: Myelopathy**

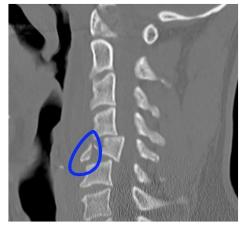
- Neck Pain
- UE:
  - Radiculopathy
  - Weakness/N/T
  - Clumsiness
- LE:
  - Loss of Balance
  - Frequent Falls
  - Gait disturbances



#### **Cervical Fractures**

- Vertebral Body:
  - Compression fractures
  - Burst fractures
- Facet fractures
  - Subluxation
  - Dislocation





## **Facet Fractures / Dislocation**





### **MANAGEMENT - Terminology**

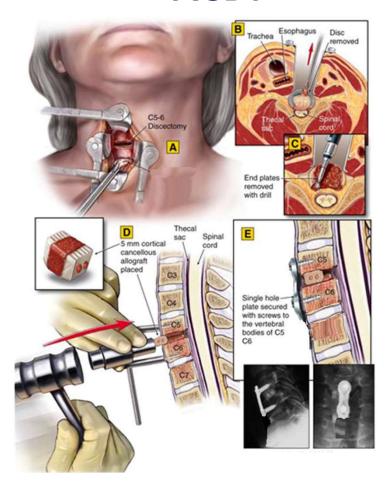
- Axial Neck Pain (without neurologic deficits):
  - Typically conservative mgmt (PT)
  - Facet block? RFA?
- Arm Pain: Radiculopathy
  - PT/ Traction / Injections
  - Surgery: if conservative management fails
- Surgery: Weakness, Myelopathy, Instability (Fracture, Stenosis, HNP, Infection, Tumor, etc)

## **Surgical Options - Terminology**

- Anterior cervical diskectomy and fusion (ACDF)
- Anterior cervical corpectomy and fusion (ACCF)
- Cervical disk arthropasty replacement (cTDR)
- Posterior cervical laminotomy Foraminotomy
- Posterior cervical laminectomy & Fusion
- Posterior cervical laminoplasty

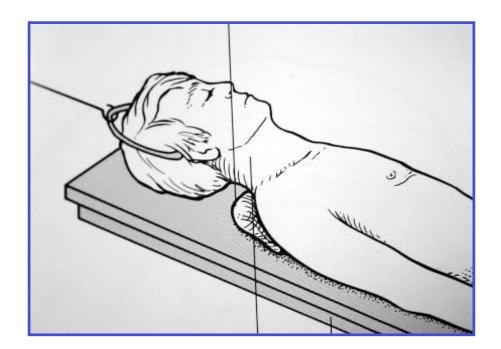
#### **ACDF**

2023
Work Related Injuries
Workshop

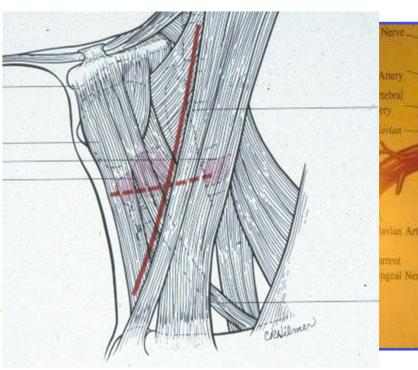


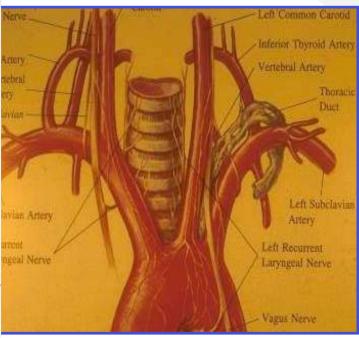
## **Positioning and Anatomy**

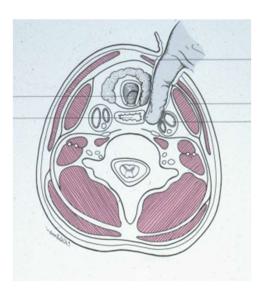
Mild Neck extension

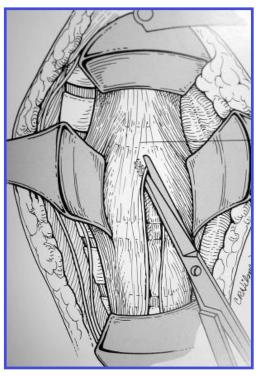


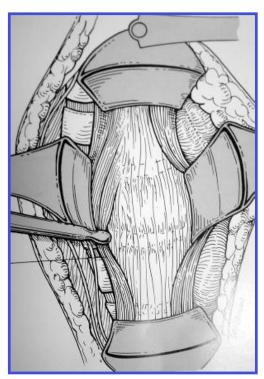
#### **Anatomy**









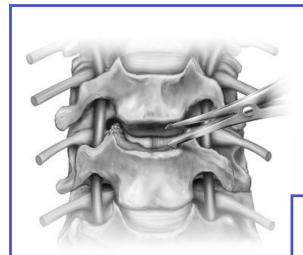


#### Discectomy and Decompression

• HT: 5-10mm

• W: 10-15mm



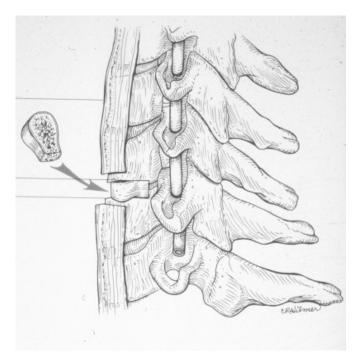


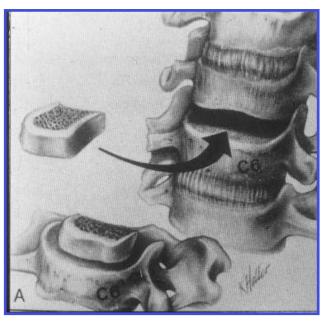


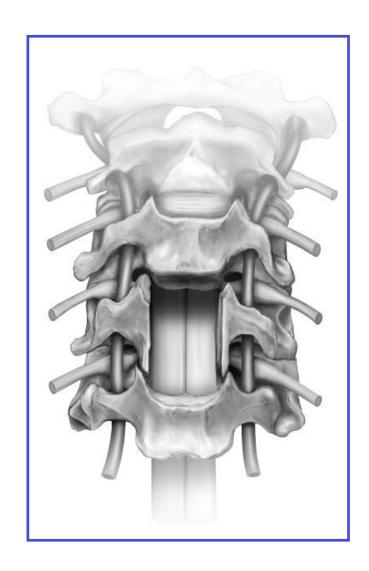




#### **Bone Graft Placement**









#### corpectomy



## **Anterior Plating**

Anterior View

Lateral

View













## **Cervical Disc Arthroplasty**

- Artificial disc replacement
- Preserves ROM
- Decrease risk of adjacent DD
  - Decrease Reoperation rate
    - 1 level: ACDF 17.3% vs cTDR 4.5%
    - 2 level: ACDF 21% vs. cTDR 7.3%

Jackson JNS 2016 (5 yr f-up)



## 45 y F with C7 radiculopathy

