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July 21-23 2016 Droter Hands on- In office, Annapolis MD
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October 22-26, 2017
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Milestones



Visiting Faculty Spear Education 2013

Visiting Faculty LD Pankey Institute 2008

Visiting Faculty Orthodontic Program
Washington Hospital Center 2000

On staff AAMC: Orthopedic Rounds
In OR for TMJ Surgery

Devoted Facial Pain Practice 1996
(No Hygiene to Check!!)

CT and MRI Imaging Joints 1992
Guy Haddix, DDS: Mentor
(3,000+ images and rising)

Post Grad CE- GPR, LD Pankey Institute, Dawson, Mahan, Gremillion, Spear, Kois



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Atomic Skis- Sponsored.
I got stuff.

TMD Course
LD Pankey Institute
A small honorarium for lectures

TMD Course
Spear Education
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Co-Owner of ArrowPath Sleep
High Quality Dental Orthotics
Patent on sleep device: LatBrux



Ski Coach for National Ski Patrol
Level 3 Certified Professional Ski Instructors of America





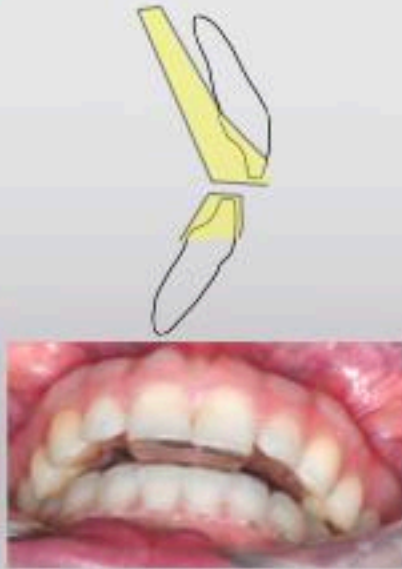
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3D Printed Orthotics

D-PAS
Diagnostic-
Palatal Anterior Stop



Brux-PAS
with lower Essix



Hard Lower Posterior Stop
with upper essix



Hard Lower Full Coverage
Centric Relation Orthotic





Observations:

Always accurate
Trust your observations

Most beliefs we have are learned from teachers.

Beliefs can limit observations.

Become a great observer.

Have an open mind but not an empty head.

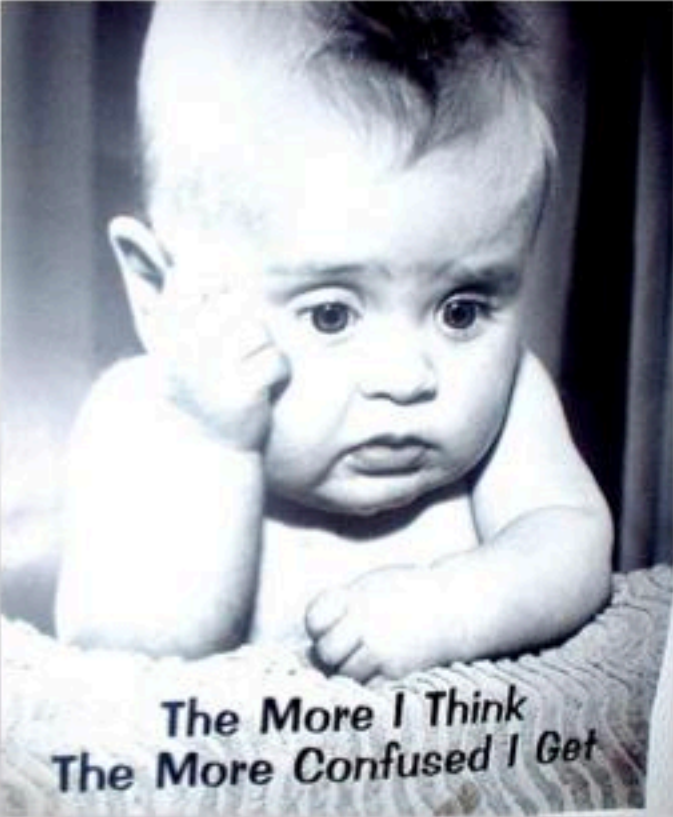


Explanations (beliefs):

Not always accurate
Best at the time
Do not become emotionally attached to explanations



TMJ/TMD Confusion



Dogmatic
Arguments



TMD Therapies: (70 therapies)

Physical

Ice
Hot Cold Hot
Cold Laser
TENS in office
TENS home use
Range of motion exercises
Active Stretching: Manual, Tongue Blades, Dynasplint
Refer to Physical Therapy: Rocabado mobilization
Refer to Physical Therapy: Postural Restoration Therapy
Refer to Physical Therapy: Various Muscle Therapies
Refer to Chiropractic: Atlas Orthogonist
Refer to Osteopathic MD: Body alignment
Breathe, Walk , Exercise

Brux Checker
Upper full coverage hard CR guard
BiArch Posterior Deprogrammer
Mandibular Advancement Device
Lateral Bruxing Device
Lingual Light Wire
Condylar Distraction

Medicinal

Anti Inflammatory:
NSAIDs,
Doxycycline low dose
CBD Topical
Glucosamine/Chondroitin MSM
Vitamins: Vit C, Vit D, Vit B12
Minerals: Magnesium, Electrolytes
Minerals: Iron
Refer to MD for Lyme therapies
Refer to MD Rheumatoid Arthritis therapies
Refer Botox Masseter injections
Refer Botox Lateral Pterygoid Injections
Food

Occlusal Orthopedic

Lingual Light Wire
Planas Tracks
Lower soft sectional orthotic
Sectional orthodontics
Expansion orthopedics/ orthodontics
Restorative Dentistry
Occlusal Adjustment with DTR, TekScan
Condylar distraction
Occlusal Adaptation

Tongue Parafunction

Refer for Cervical Alignment/ Stabilization
Myobrace
Upper Lingual light wire
Clear Brux Checker
Frenectomy
Myofunctional therapy

Dental Orthotics

In Office Trial Anterior Stop
Temporary home use anterior stop
Diagnostic Palatal Anterior Stop
Brux-PAS
Lower full coverage CR
Lower posterior deprogrammer
Lower TMJ Rehab flat plane
Lower Indexed
Brux Checker

Upper full coverage hard CR
Posterior Stop Night Guard
Mandibular Advancement Device
Anterior Stop Airway Bite
Facebow Verification
Lateral Bruxing Device
Condylar Distraction
Lingual Light Wire
Lower Soft Sectional

Athletic Mouthguard
Anterior Repositioning
Occlusal Adjust Assist
Aqualizer
Myobrace

Sleep/ Fatigue

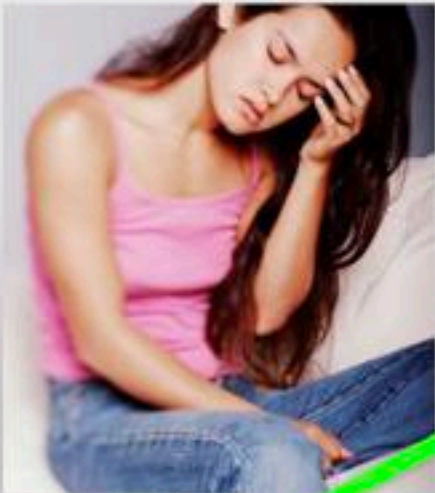
Mouth taping
Diet Modification
Positional Therapy
Vitamins: Vitamin D, Vitamin B12, Vit C
Minerals: Magnesium, Iron
Lateral Bruxing Device guided plane
Lateral Bruxing Device Elastomeric
Mandibular Advancement Device
CPAP

Surgical

Refer: Arthrocentesis w/ PRP
Refer: Discectomy w/ Fat Graft
Refer: Total Joint Replacement
Refer: Orthognathic Surgery

Diagnosis Treatment Flow Chart

From a patient perspective they want to go from symptoms to no symptoms



Symptoms

History

Signs

Doctor Exam

Differential Diagnosis

Diagnostic Tests

Specific Working Diagnosis

Treatment

No Signs

No Symptoms
Final Dx

Doctor Re-Exam

If not resolved

Symptom Dx

Tooth Pain
Arthralgia

Specific Dx

Irreversible Pulpitis
Osteoarthritis

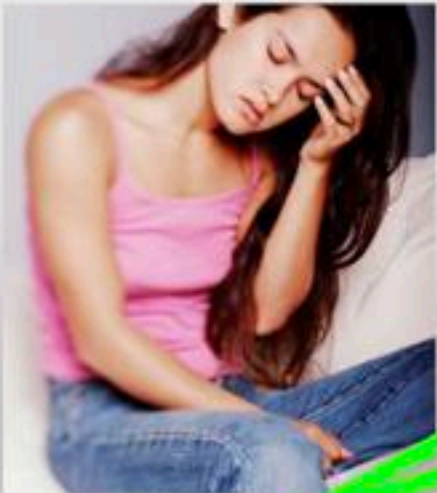
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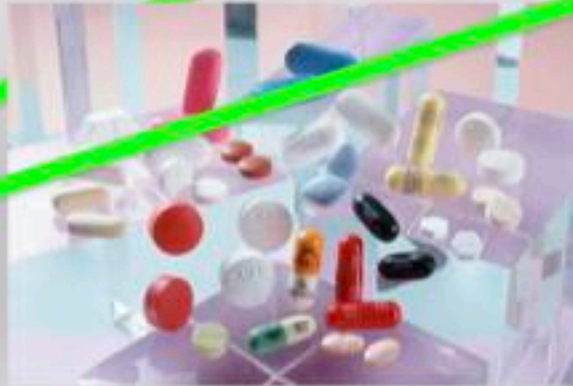
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No Symptoms

Less Symptoms



Symptoms

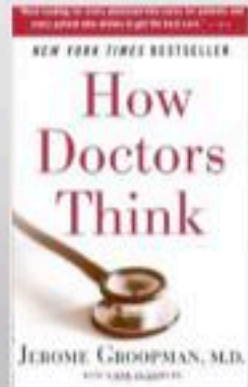


If you skip the exam, diagnostic tests, and diagnosis, you can give a therapy directed at symptoms. If you dull the symptoms the patient will perceive a benefit.

Differential Diagnosis

Diagnostic Boxes: Pattern Recognition

“My Tooth Hurts”



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Pulpitis secondary to split tooth

Pulpal necrosis

Referred Pain from Muscle
Trigger Point

Sinus Infection

Sympathetic Mediated Pain

Neuroma

Periodontal Infection

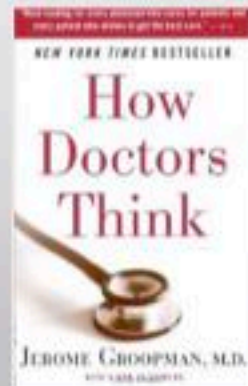
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Aphthous Ulcer

Periodontal ligament inflammation
secondary to Occlusal Trauma

Pulpitis secondary to Occlusal Trauma

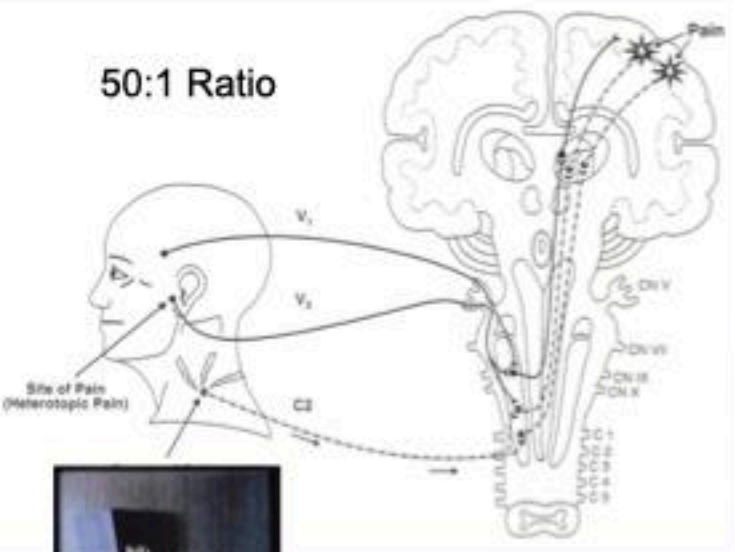
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Referred Pain Convergence

More primary sensory neurons than secondary neurons that travel to brain

50:1 Ratio



"Bells Orofacial Pain"
Jeffery Okeson

Trigger Points

Contracted mass of actin, myosin and histamine

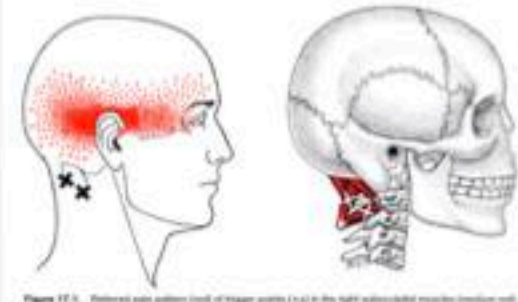
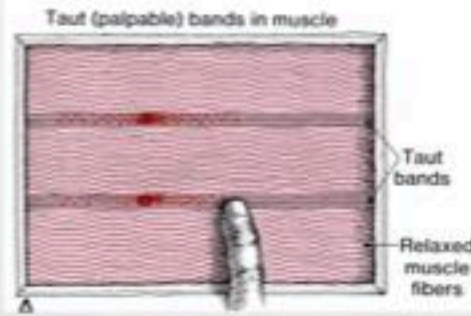
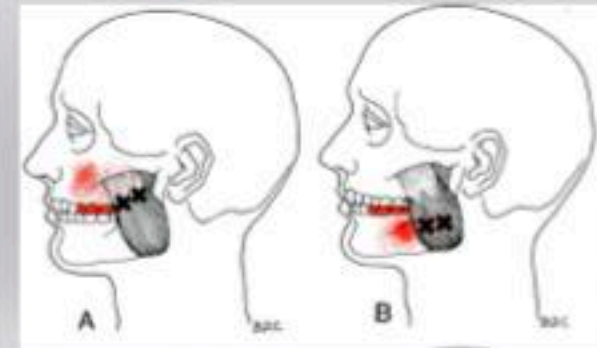
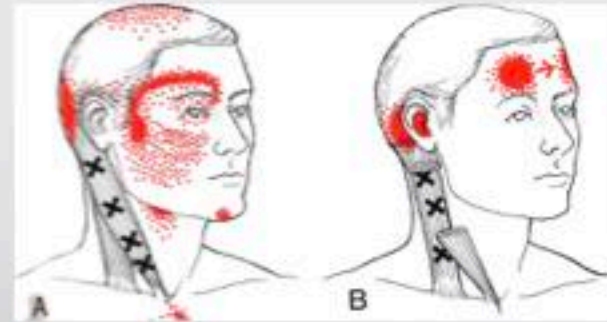


Figure 17.1. Referred pain pattern (red) of trigger points (x) in the right suboccipital muscles (American text)

"The Trigger Point Manual"
Janet Travell, MD



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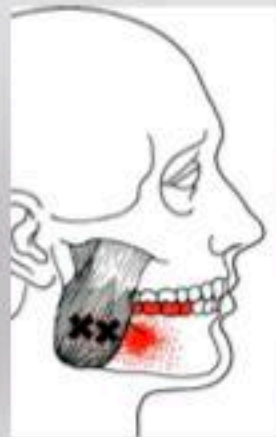
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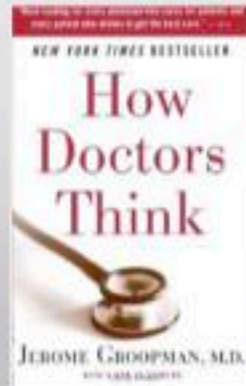
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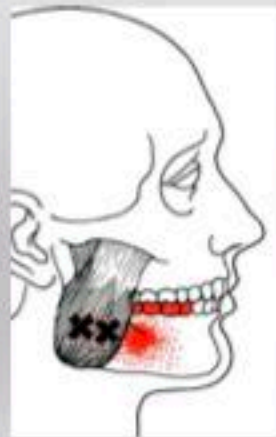
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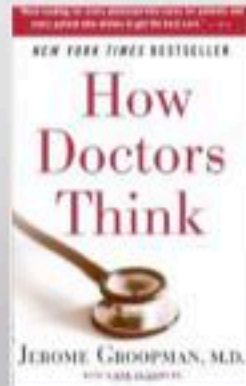
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Common TMDs

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6 Common TMDs

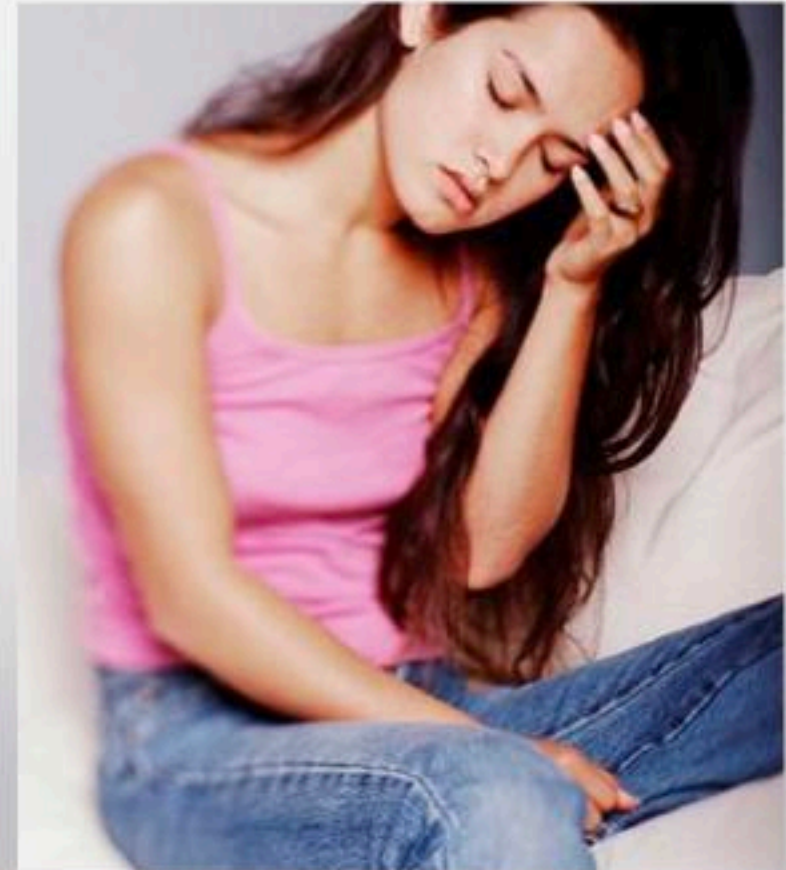
- Parafunctional Clenching
- Parafunctional Grinding
- Occlusal Muscle Dysfunction
- Osteoarthritis
- Acute Sprain
- Acute Closed lock of TMJ disc

5 Common Obstacles

- Neck and Postural Instability
- Wobbly TM Joint (Subluxation)
- Compromised Breathing/Airway
- Avascular Necrosis
- Referred Pain Muscle Triggerpoints

1 TMD that **usually** does not need therapy

- TMJ Clicking



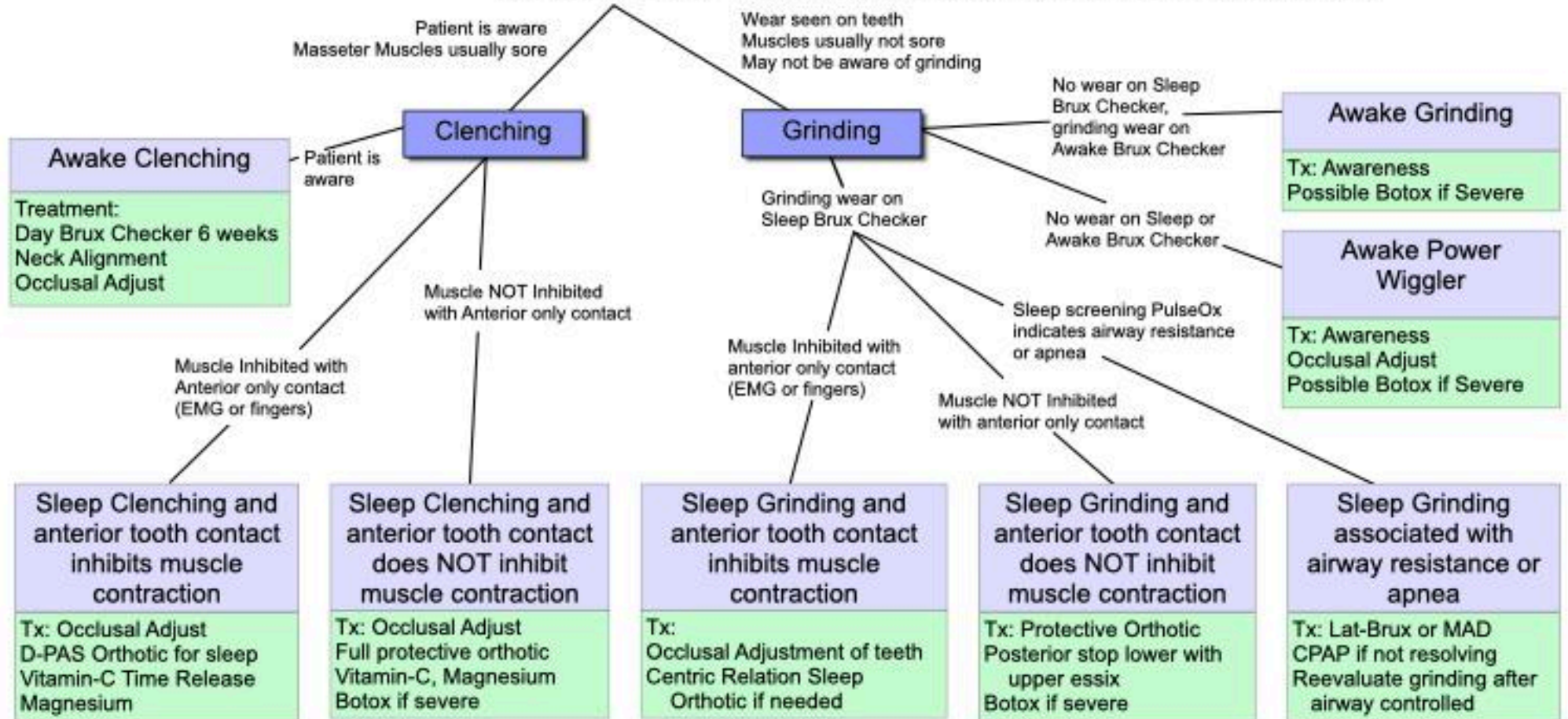
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BRUXING: PARAFUNCTIONAL TOOTH CONTACT





Clenchers destroy the joint,
Grinders destroy the teeth



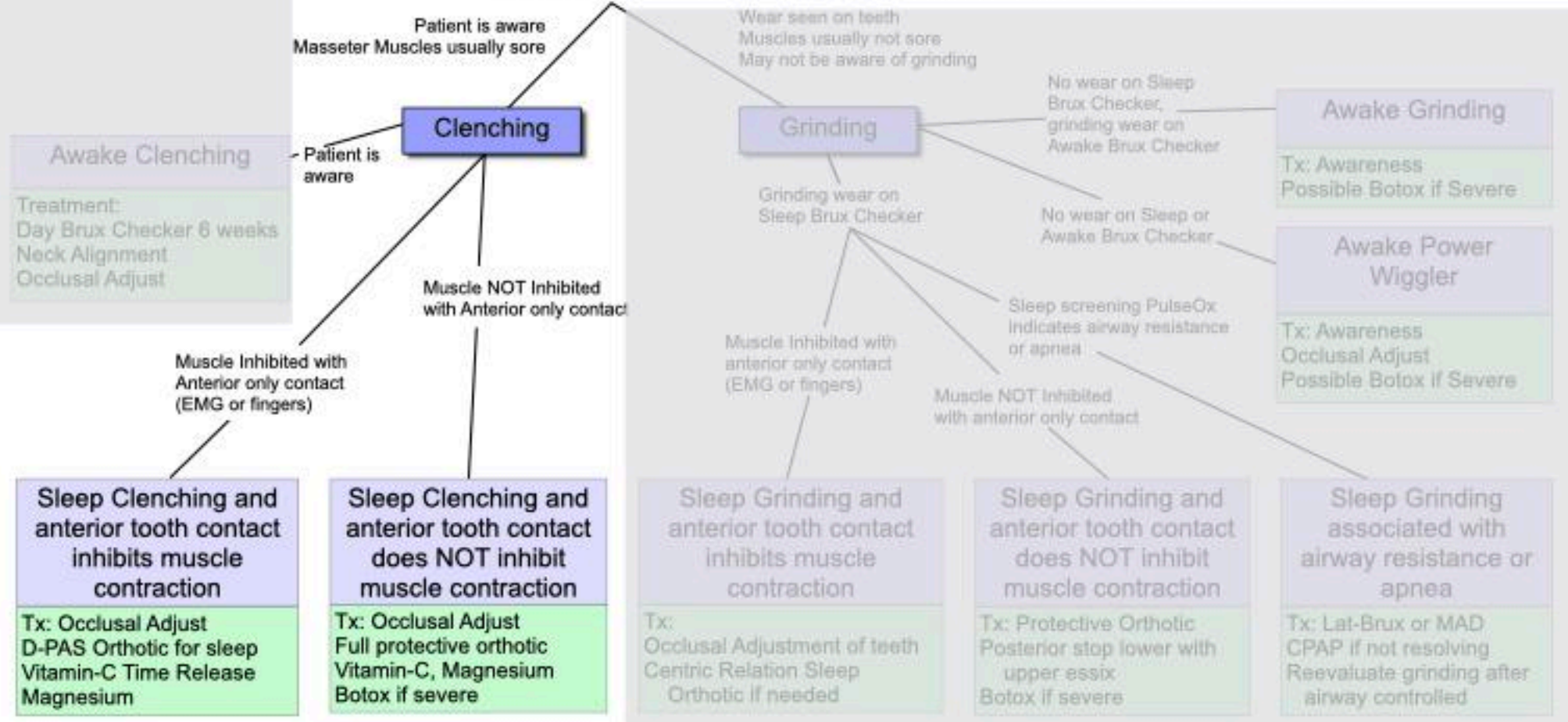
Clenching
Painful Muscles
Patient is usually aware of clenching
Fremitus
Strong Masseters
See slight wear around tooth contacts
Damage TMJ cartilage

If patient is unaware of clenching-
Plant seed at hygiene visit
Do you clench?

Grinding
See tooth wear
Patient is usually not aware
Buttressing bone if teeth are tight
If tooth mobility, on excursions
Strong Masseters
Slight if any soreness muscles
Usually no muscle pain

Parker Mahan-
"Women Hurt, Men destroy"

BRUXING: PARAFUNCTIONAL TOOTH CONTACT



Awake Clenching

Treatment:
Day Brux Checker 6 weeks
Neck Alignment
Occlusal Adjust

Sleep Clenching and anterior tooth contact inhibits muscle contraction

Tx: Occlusal Adjust
D-PAS Orthotic for sleep
Vitamin-C Time Release
Magnesium

Sleep Clenching and anterior tooth contact does NOT inhibit muscle contraction

Tx: Occlusal Adjust
Full protective orthotic
Vitamin-C, Magnesium
Botox if severe

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Tx: Occlusal Adjustment of teeth
Centric Relation Sleep
Orthotic if needed

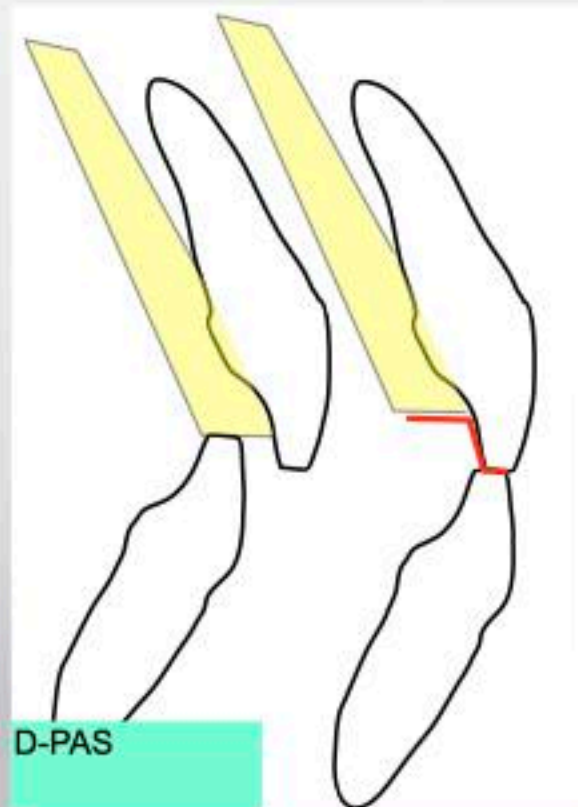
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Posterior stop lower with upper
essix
Botox if severe

Sleep Grinding associated with airway resistance or apnea

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CPAP if not resolving
Reevaluate grinding after
airway controlled

Diagnostic Palatal Anterior Stop D-PAS



Basically an upper Hawley with anterior stop without clasps or wire

Diagnostic Palatal Anterior Stop

D-PAS Test: Wear for 2 weeks, 24/7, take out to eat

Better- Decrease in Symptoms

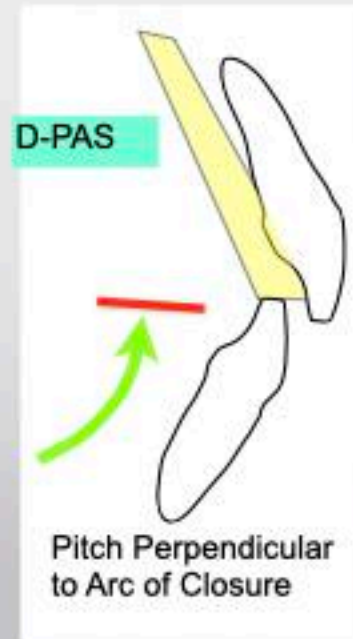
Sleep Clenching Inhibited: Wear D-PAS as night guard
Orthotic Improved Airway: D-PAS as night guard
Occlusal Muscle Disharmony: Occlusal Adjust

Worse- Increase in Symptoms

Mechanically Unstable TMJ, joint subluxation
Intracapsular Problem TMJ
Orthotic Made Sleep Airway Worse

Stays the Same- No Change in Symptoms

Damaged TMJ are mechanically stable
Pain not related to occlusion



Stapelmann H, Türp JC. The NTI-tss device for the therapy of bruxism, temporomandibular disorders, and headache.....BMC Oral Health. 2008 Jul PMID: 18662411

Are the TMJ muscles inhibited from full contraction with anterior only tooth contact?

Detect with EMG or muscle palpation- Clench full power on posterior teeth and then with D-PAS orthotic.

BioResearch EMG

BioResearch mScan



Patient with muscles inhibited by anterior only contact

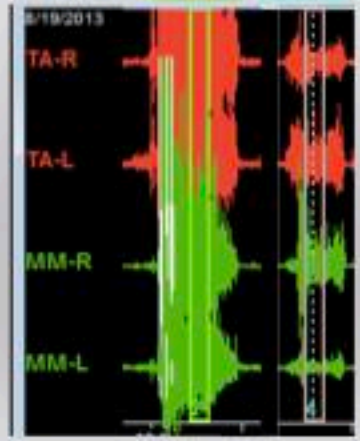
Another Patient with muscles NOT inhibited by anterior only contact

	Clench MaxIC	Anterior Stop D-PAS
	μV	μV
TA-R	100.6	15.7
TA-L	108.9	25.3
MM-R	115.4	25.5
MM-L	70.5	6.8

	Clench MaxIC	Anterior Stop D-PAS
	μV	μV
TA-R	82.2	77.9
TA-L	124.6	103.6
MM-R	185.0	169.0
MM-L	79.9	86.6



Diagnostic Palatal Anterior Stop



Major decrease in muscle power with D-PAS

BioResearch EMG



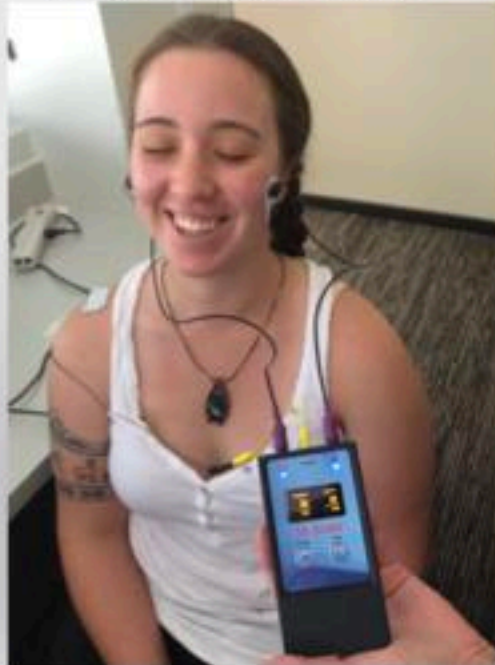
Muscle power same with D-PAS

Choosing the Correct Night Guard

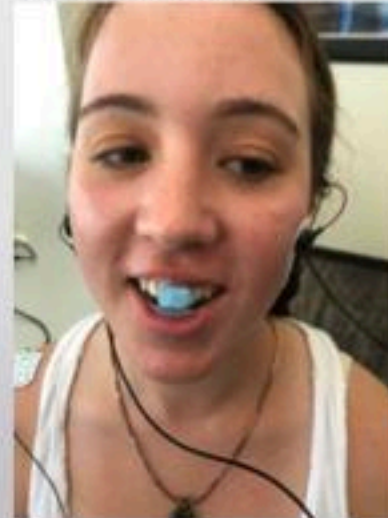
M-Scan EMG Electromyography



Clench back teeth



Clench
anterior stop



Can place moderate force
on front teeth

Clench
Back teeth +250 μv
Front teeth +121 μv



Parafunctional Clenching

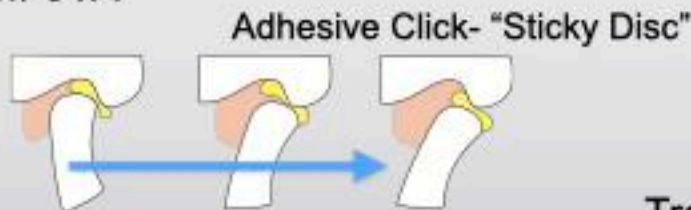
Signs

- Strong Masseters
- No major wear on teeth
- Slight wear around tooth contacts
- Fremitus
- Tori
- Slight scratch vibration doppler/ JVA



Symptoms

- Aware of clenching
- Sore muscles on waking
- Clicking on waking that goes away
- Headaches



Causes

- Uneven occlusion, especially heavy anterior
- Neck stabilization
- SSRI

Diagnostic Tests

- EMG M-scan
- Determine if muscle inhibition
- D-PAS for sleep



Treatments

- Occlusal Adjustment
- Neck alignment/ stabilization
- D-PAS as night guard
- Time Release Vitamin C
- Angstrom Magnesium
- Clear Brux Checker daytime for 6 weeks

Magnesium Nutritional Supplementation

Magnesium is the “Muscle Relaxation” mineral- used in ER and Obstetrics
Magnesium deficiency may increase clenching
Most Magnesium is intracellular so blood test may not detect deficiency

Supplemental Magnesium

Take 2h before bed (8pm).

Too much will cause Diarrhea. Right amount will loosen stools.

Need to be sure kidneys are healthy

Natural Calm Magnesium Citrate- 1 teaspoon (162mg)

Mother Earth Ionic Angstrom Magnesium- 0.5 teaspoon sublingual (5mg)



www.naturalvitality.com



www.meminerals.com

Muscle Nerve. 2014 Apr 8. doi: 10.1002/mus.24260. Extracellular magnesium and calcium reduce myotonia in isolated CIC-1 inhibited human muscle. Skov M1, de Paoli FV, Lausten J, Nielsen OB.

Gynecol Endocrinol. 2007 Jul;23(7):368-72. Magnesium ion inhibits spontaneous and induced contractions of isolated uterine muscle. Tica VI1, Tica AA, Carlig V, Banica OS.

Studies on magnesium deficiency in animals: i. symptomatology resulting from magnesium deprivation. H. D. Kruse, Elsa R. Orent and E. V. McCollum. J. Biol. Chem. 1932, 96:519-539.

D-PAS Handout to patient

D-PAS Diagnostic Palatal Anterior Stop Test

This is a diagnostic test, not treatment.

D-PAS Instructions:

For next 2 weeks wear for sleeping and as much during the day as possible.
You will need to remove to eat.

Keep track of what changes you notice.

When out of the mouth always put it in its case.

Top: 3 ways appliance are lost or broken:

1. Placed in a paper towel while eating and thrown out.
2. Placed in pocket and sat on.
3. Your dog finds it and uses it as a chew toy.

Clean by scrubbing off with toothbrush and toothpaste.

If facial tightness or muscle soreness increases for more than 2 days, you can stop wearing for 2 days and try again. If still sore stop wearing and contact us.

Symptoms will either get better, get worse, or stay the same.

If symptoms become worse you may have a more serious problem that will require further tests.

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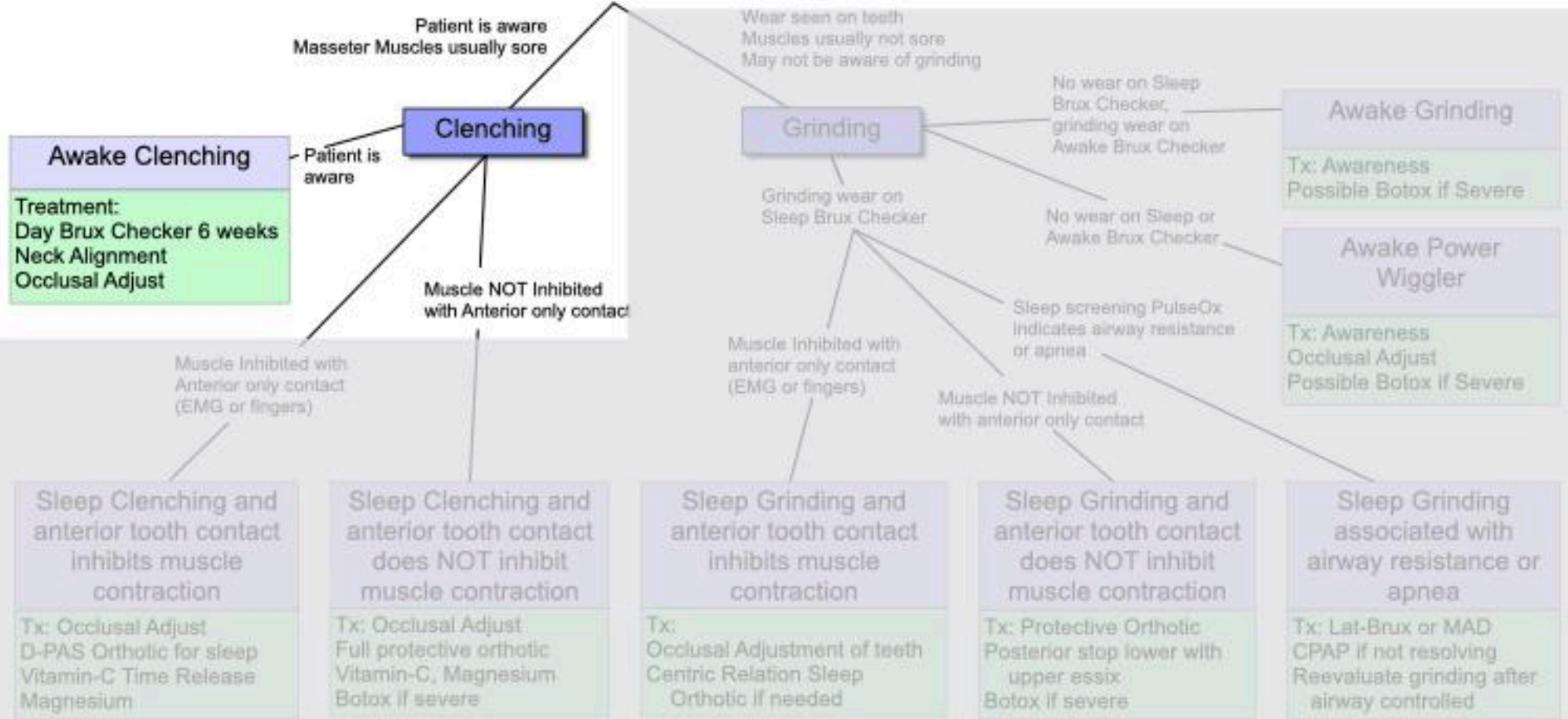
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Grinding

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Awake Power Wiggler

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Daytime Clenching- Clear Brux Checker Increases awareness to break habit

Very thin: Similar to mylar used for composites
50 μ m thick



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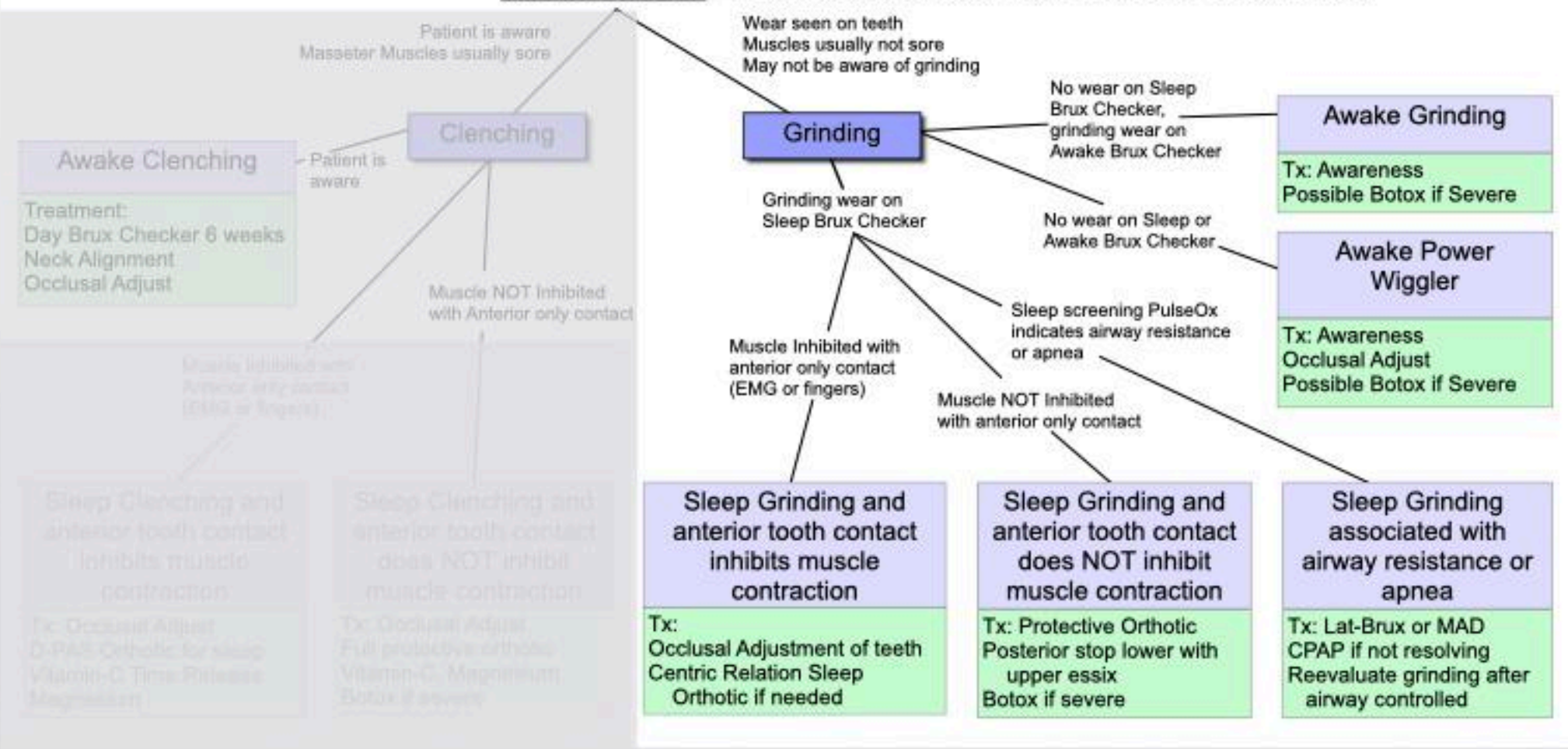
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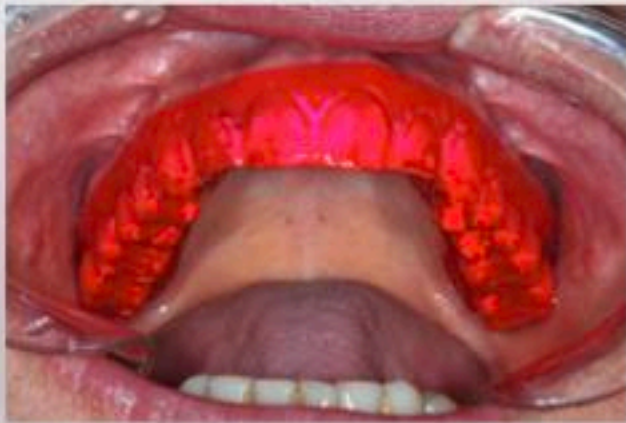
Grinding
See tooth wear
Patient is usually not aware
Buttressing bone if teeth are tight
If tooth mobility, on excursions
Strong Masseters
Slight if any soreness muscles
Usually no muscle pain

Parker Mahan-
"Women Hurt, Men destroy"

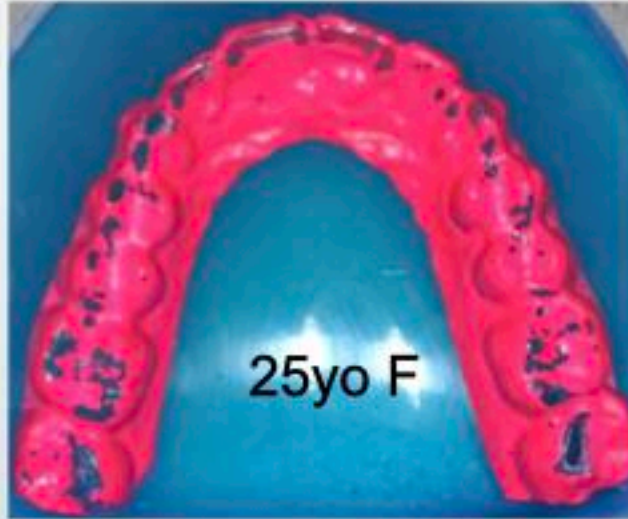
2. Does this occur awake or asleep?

Brux Checker
Great Lakes Orthodontics

0.1mm Mylar



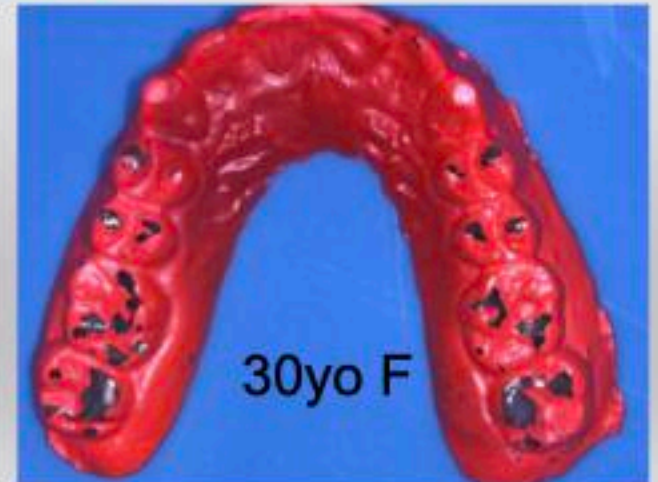
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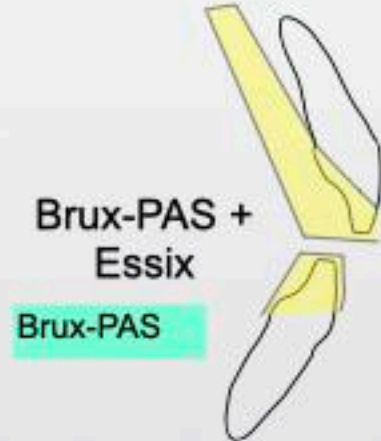
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Which Occlusal Orthotic for Grinding?

Lower Posterior Stop with upper essix



Upper Hard CR Orthotic



Lat-Brux
Great Lakes Ortho



Nylon Herbst
Great Lakes Ortho



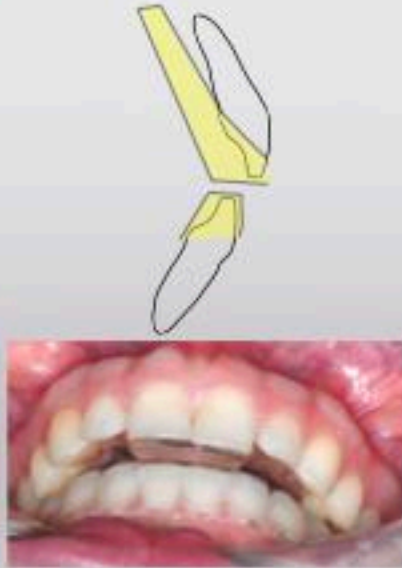
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3D Printed Orthotics

D-PAS
Diagnostic-
Palatal Anterior Stop



Brux-PAS
with lower Essix



Hard Lower Posterior Stop
with upper essix



Hard Lower Full Coverage
Centric Relation Orthotic



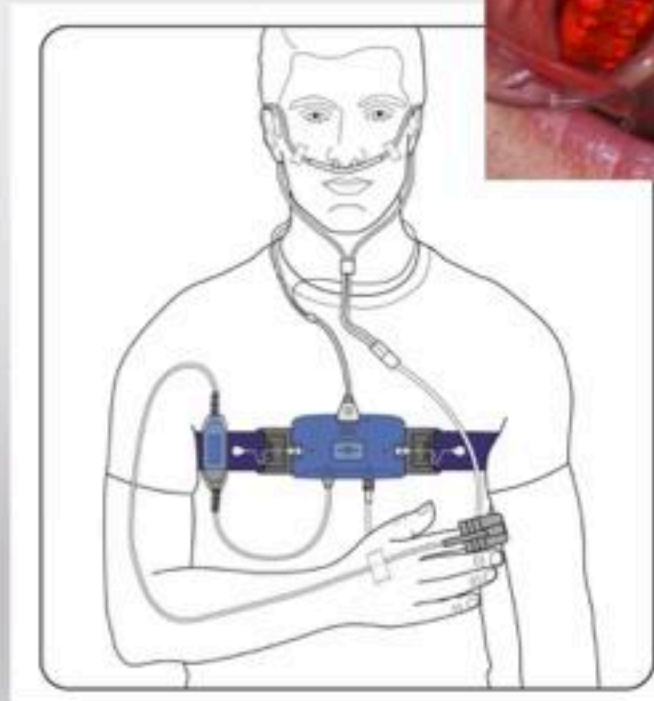
Lower Posterior Stop Night guard with upper Essix



zMachine

zMachine + Brux Checker
+ Snore Lab

GENERAL
sleep



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Treating Common TMDs in a General Practice

Management

Diagnosis

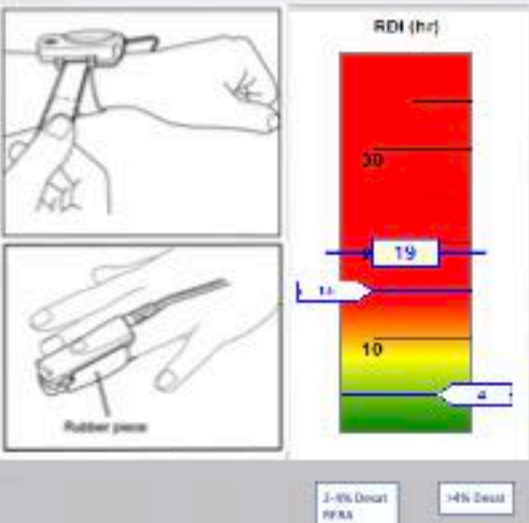
Sleep Grinding Airway Related

Pattern

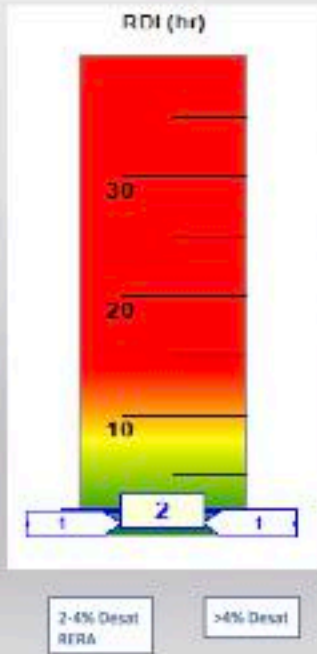
Worn Teeth
Upper Airway Resistance

Treatment

Mandibular Advancement
Appliance (after MD approves)



Pulse Ox Screening
 Refer to Medical Sleep Doctor
 Get approval for Mandibular Advancement Appliance
 Verify Airway Improves
 19 events/hr before
 2 events/hr with Orthotic



PULSOX 300i, Konica Minolta
with data analysis Patient Safety, Inc.

Nylon MAD
Great Lakes Ortho



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Occlusal Muscle Disharmony

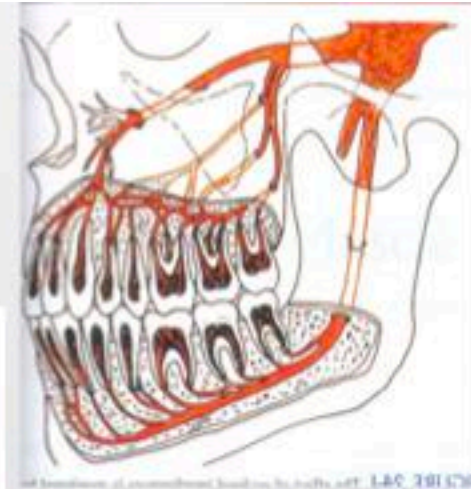
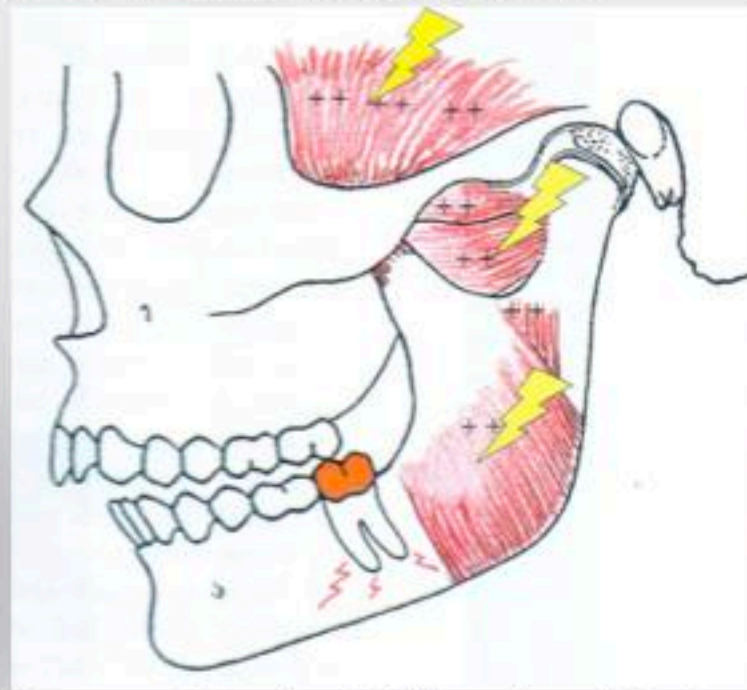
Uneven tooth contact with condyles fully seated triggers muscle activity

Lateral pterygoid fires out of sequence to create even tooth contact on closure

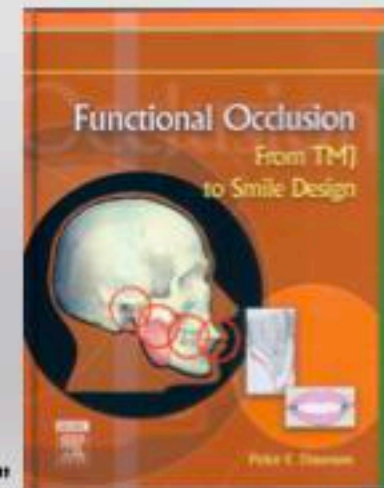
Disharmony in all muscles: Splinting/Bracing

Muscles sore from overuse

Muscles do not think- CNS input

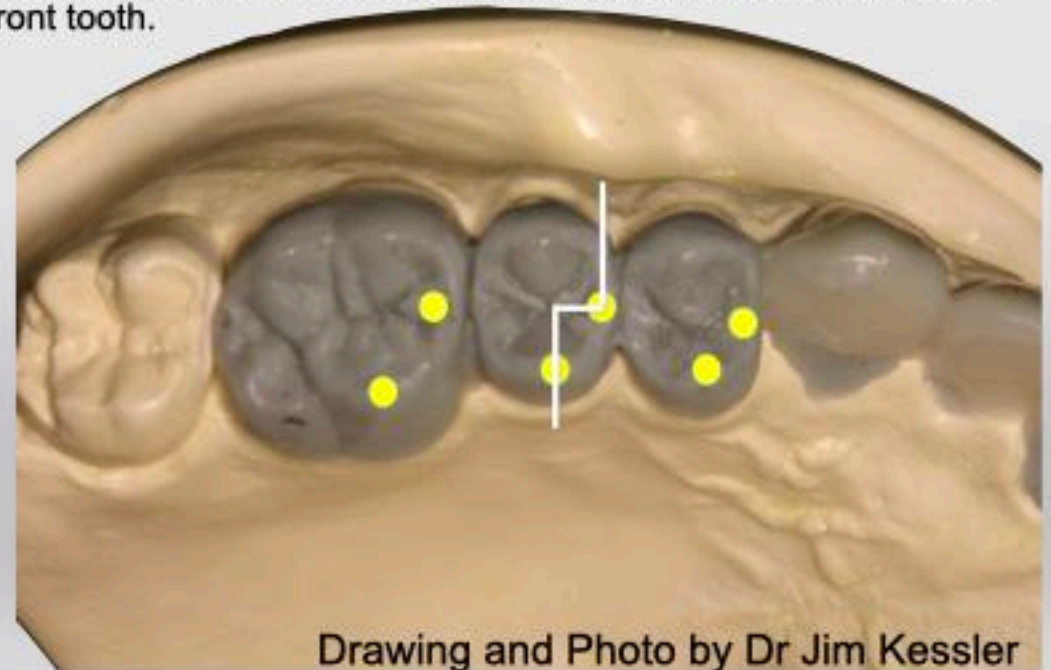
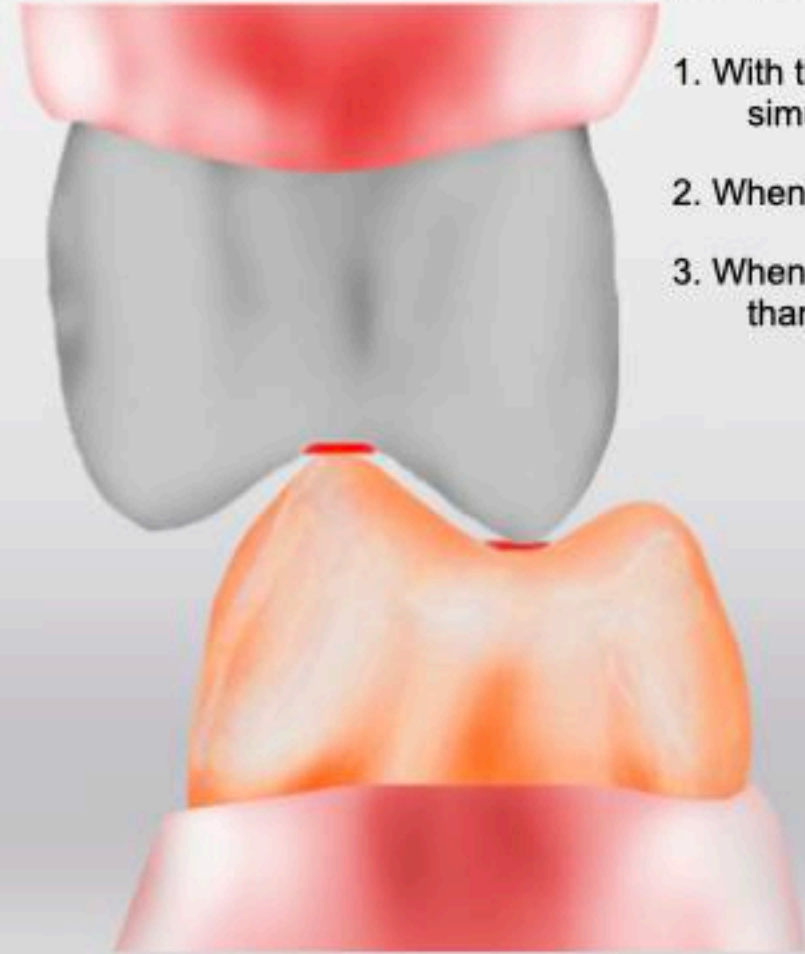


from Dawson's Textbook, "Functional Occlusion"



LD Pankey's 3 Rules of Occlusion (Clyde Schuyler)

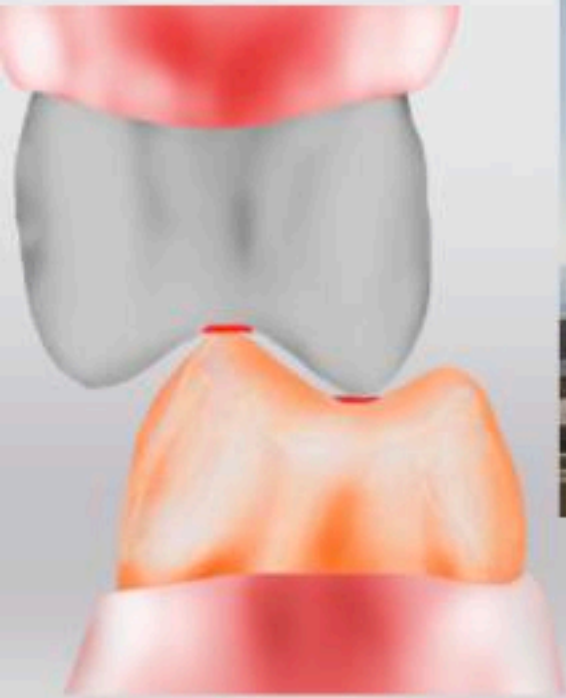
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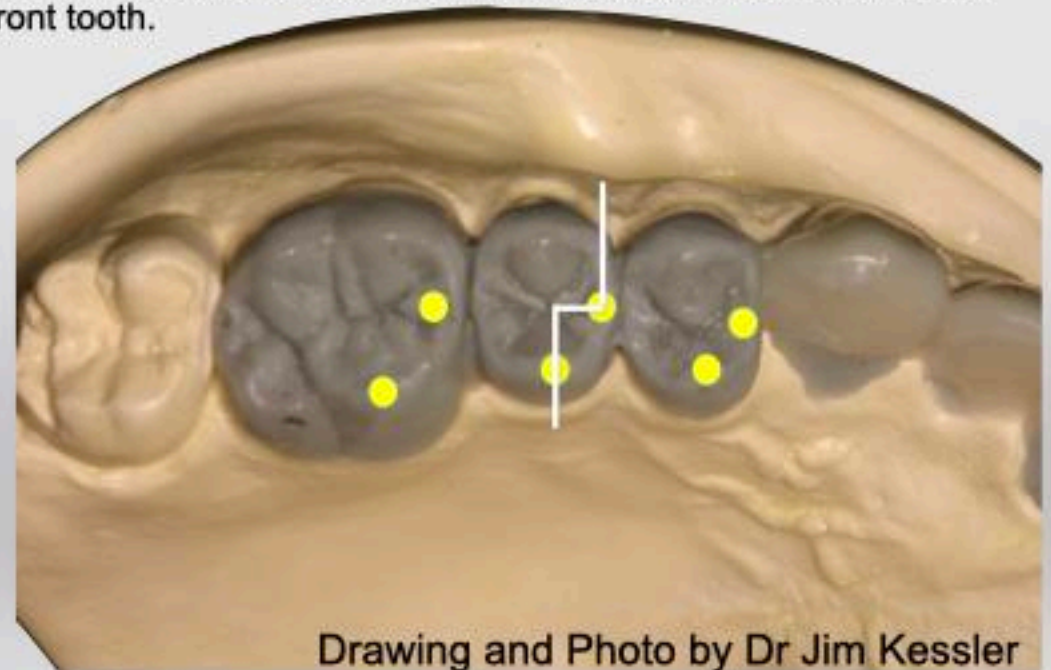
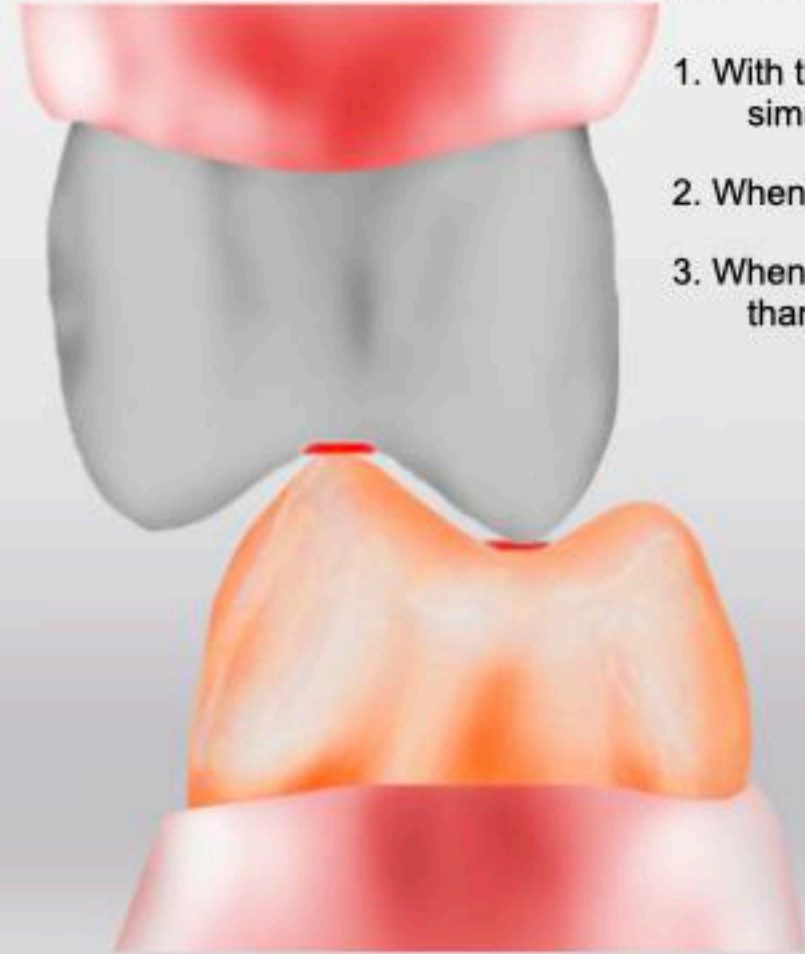
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Rule #2 = Flat Landing Area



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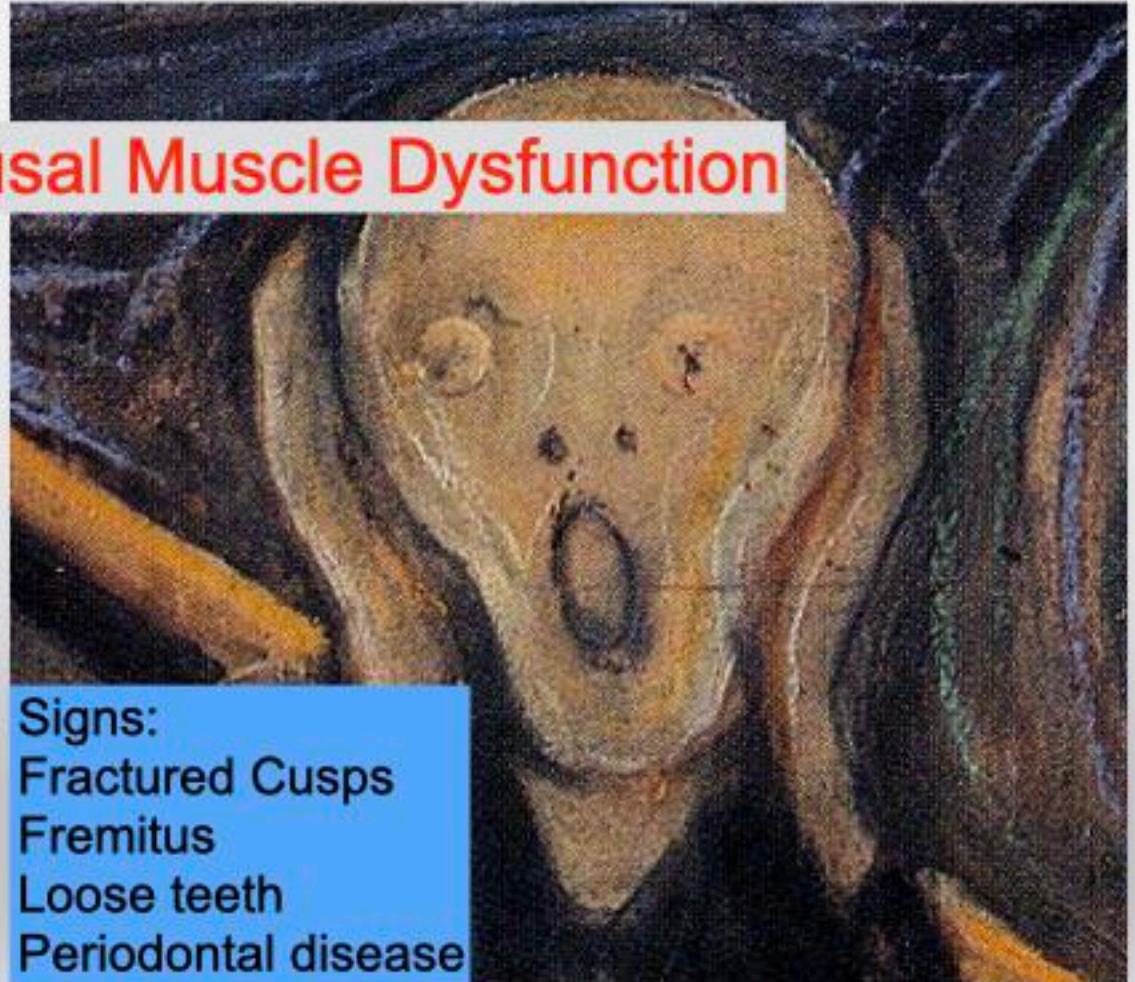


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TMD Symptoms

- Sore TM Joint
- Sore TMJ muscles
- Difficulty chewing
- Headaches
- Eye pain
- Ear pain
- TMJ clicking
- Jaw locking
- Limited opening
- Difficulty open jaw
- Difficulty closing jaw
- Anterior Open Bite

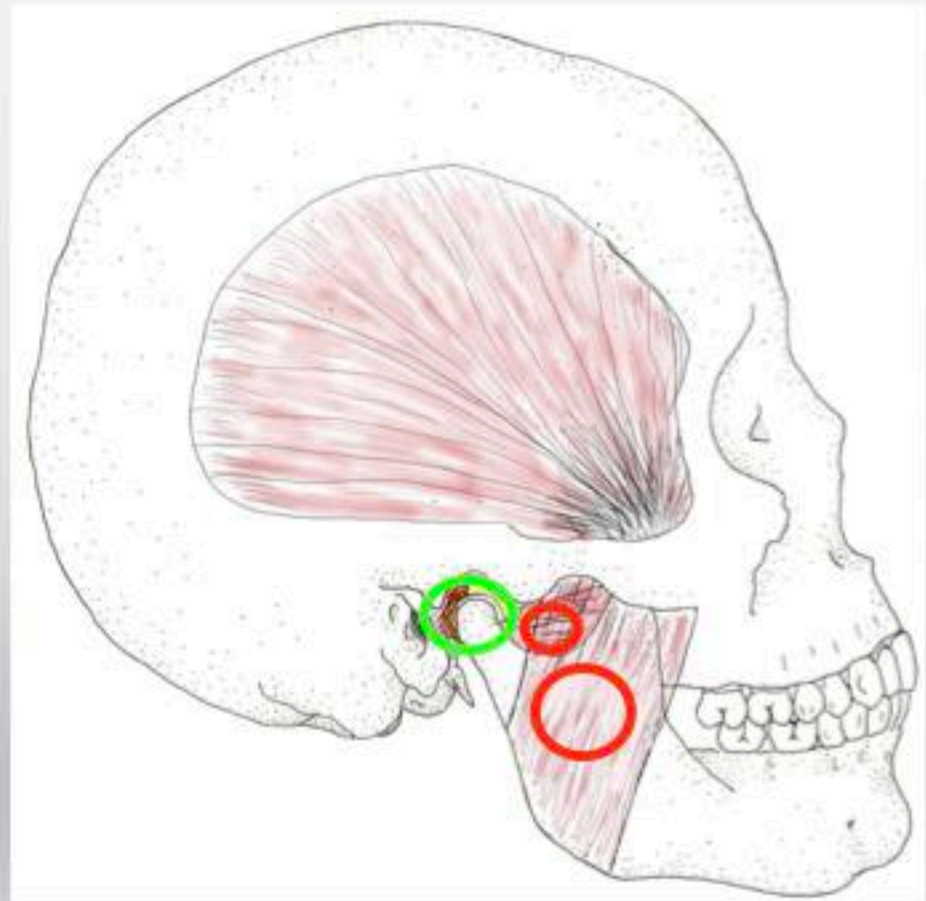
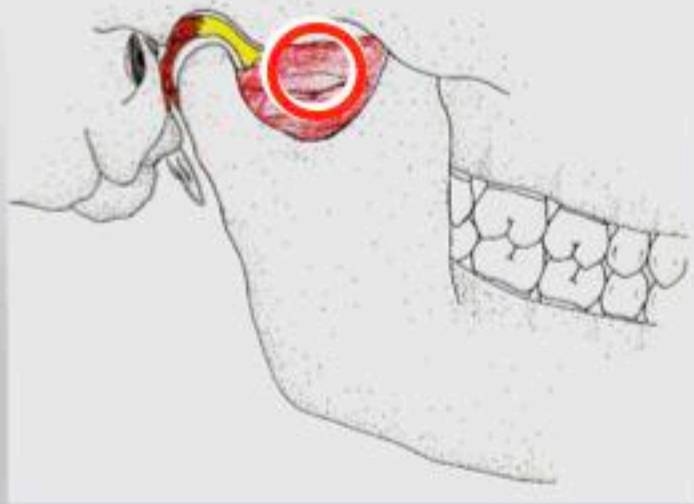
Occlusal Muscle Dysfunction



- Signs:
- Fractured Cusps
 - Fremitus
 - Loose teeth
 - Periodontal disease

Occlusal Muscle Dysfunction Pattern

Sore muscles when chewing
Sore Lateral Pterygoid
TMJ is not sore
Day orthotic relieves symptoms



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Occlusal Muscle Dysfunction Diagnostic Tests

Occlusal Muscle Dysfunction is a daytime problem

Clenching can be both a daytime and nighttime problem

>30% of headaches have an occlusal component

D-PAS 2 week trial



OR

3-6 week lower CR orthotic



Occlusal adjustment in patients with craniomandibular disorders including headaches. A 3- and 6-month follow-up. Vallon D, Ekberg E, Nilner M. Acta Odontol Scand. 1995

Response to occlusal treatment in headache patients previously treated by mock occlusal adjustment. Forssell H, Kirveskari P, Kangasniemi P. Acta Odontol Scand. 1987

Diagnostic Palatal Anterior Stop

D-PAS Test: Wear for 2 weeks, 24/7, take out to eat

Better- Decrease in Symptoms

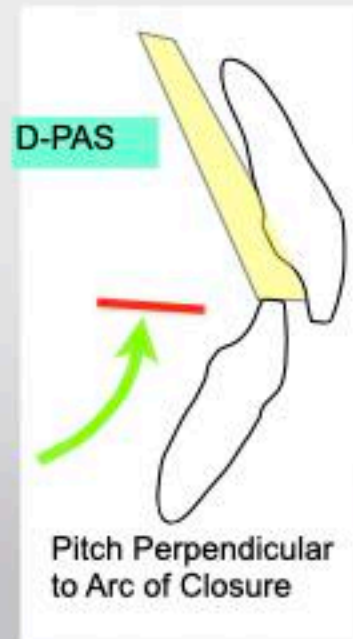
Sleep Clenching Inhibited: Wear D-PAS as night guard
Orthotic Improved Airway: D-PAS as night guard
Occlusal Muscle Disharmony: Occlusal Adjust

Worse- Increase in Symptoms

Mechanically Unstable TMJ, joint subluxation
Intracapsular Problem TMJ
Orthotic Made Sleep Airway Worse

Stays the Same- No Change in Symptoms

Damaged TMJ are mechanically stable
Pain not related to occlusion



Stapelmann H, Türp JC. The NTI-tss device for the therapy of bruxism, temporomandibular disorders, and headache.....BMC Oral Health. 2008 Jul PMID: 18662411

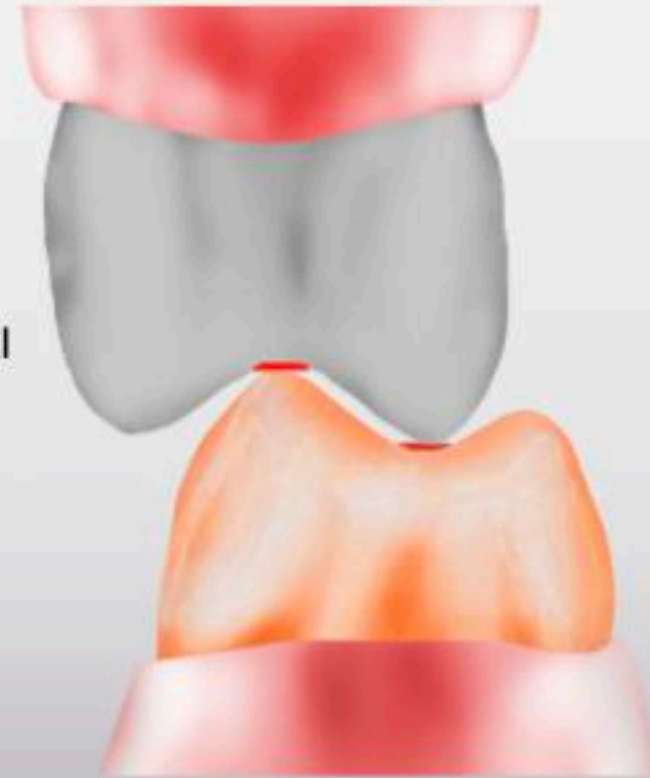
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Bonus Rule- Harmonious Anterior Guidance. Cuspid guidance directs the mandible slightly forward, not backward, with smooth cross over from cuspid to anterior teeth. Protrusive contact even on both central incisors.

Bonus Observation- All the above work much better the closer the teeth are to being on the Curve of Spee and Curve of Wilson

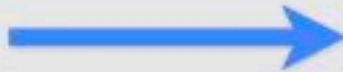


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Treat Occlusal Muscle Dysfunction- Adjust the Occlusion



Teeth reshaped so all teeth hit even with condyles seated in fossa. Posterior teeth separate on lateral and anterior excursions.



Before

After



Occlusal Sculpting Tools, including Zirconia



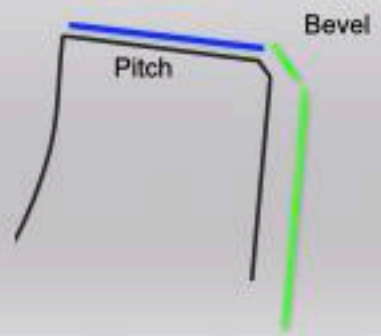
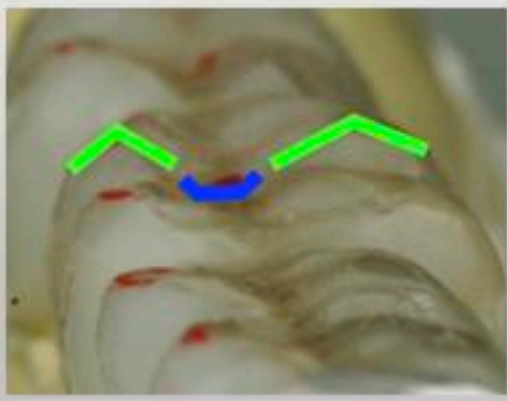
Wheel
 Create Cusp Landing Zone
 Flatten Incisal edges
 Bulk reduction of inclines



Move and Shape Cusps,
 Inclines, Facial Surfaces



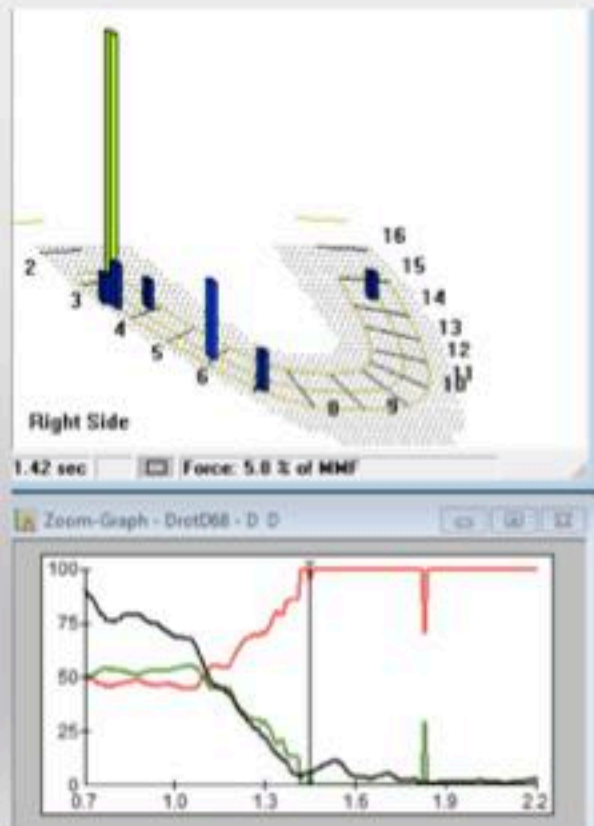
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 Filtek Supreme- B1B, Albond

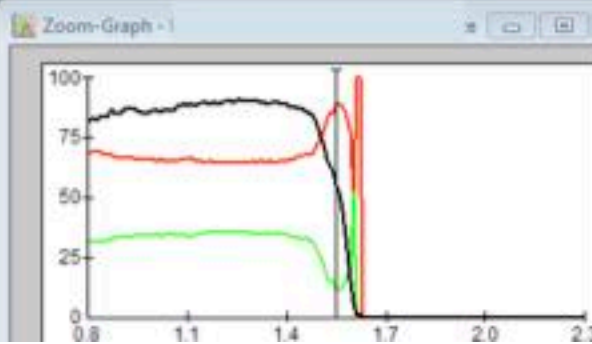
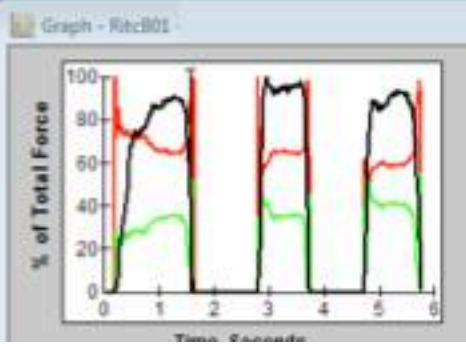
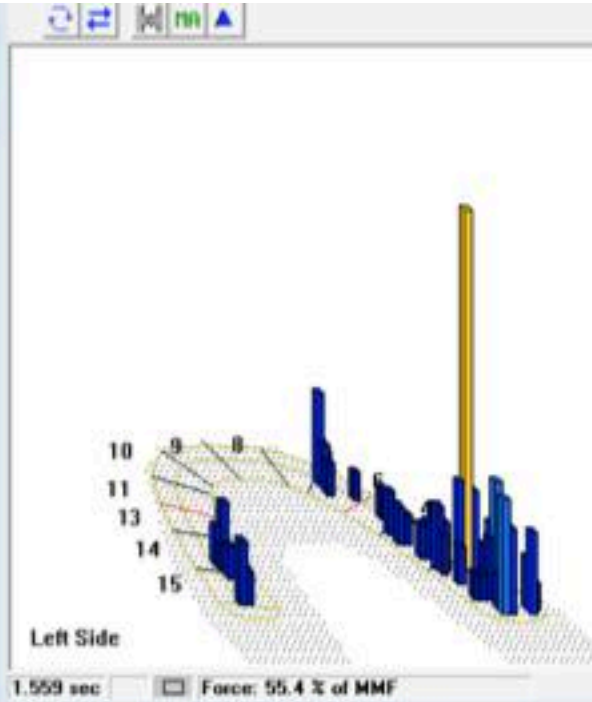
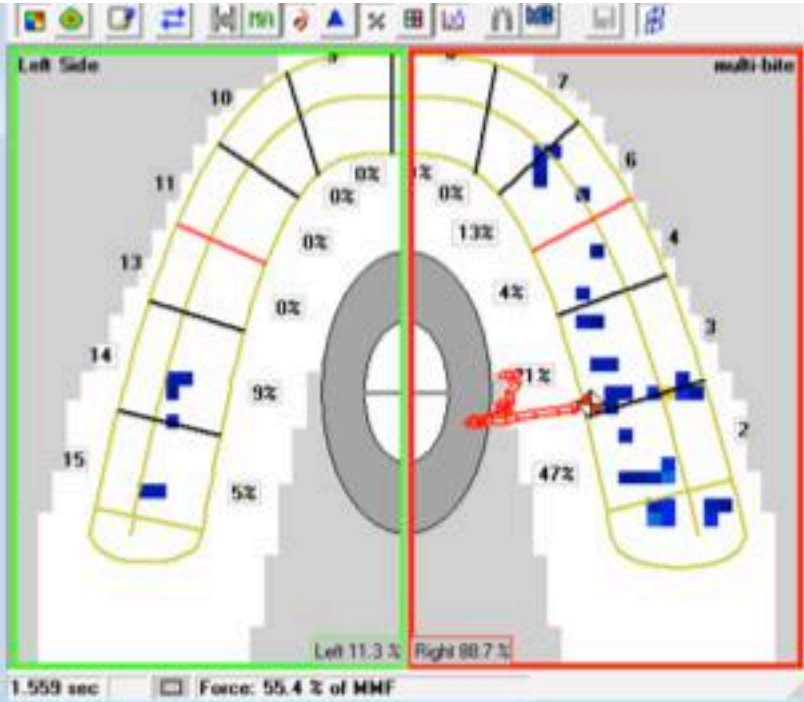
The indispensable value of T-Scan is not in finding heavy CR contacts, but working and nonworking contacts.

Is that a smudge or a muscle activating interference?



Remove too much and you decrease the ability to chew, especially lettuce. Chewing lettuce requires posterior inclines coming close enough to chew, but far enough apart to not touch and activate muscle.

T-Scan is excellent for Patient Education of Occlusal Pathology

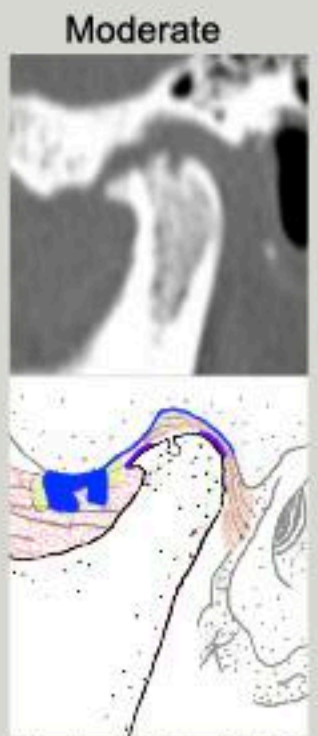
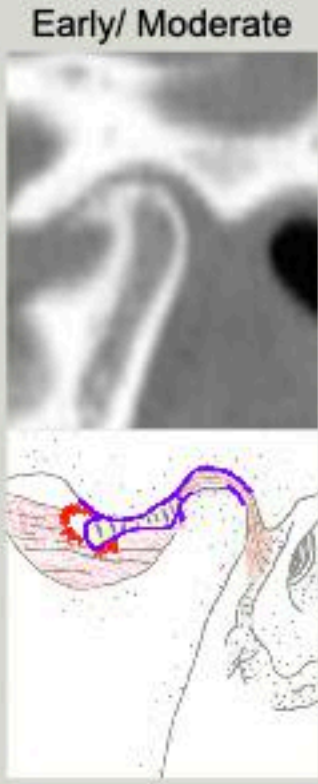
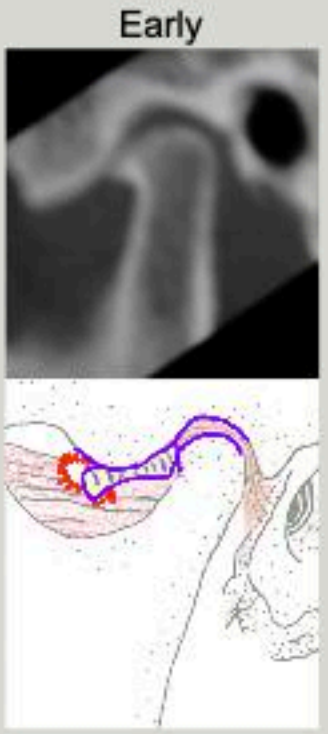
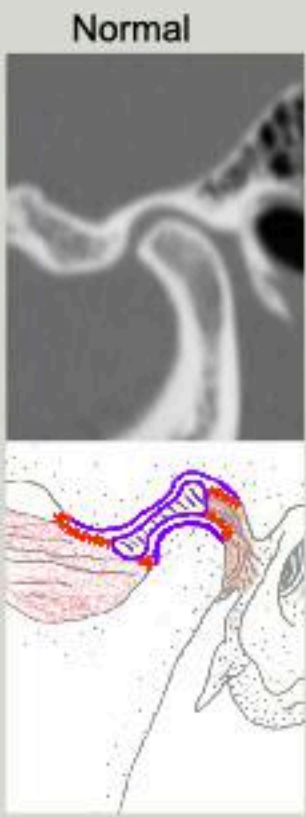


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Osteoarthrosis/Osteoarthritis

Healthy joints have no friction or wear.
Damaged joints have Friction. Friction causes wear.
OA is a wearing out of a joint which starts in cartilage.
Parafunction increases wear.



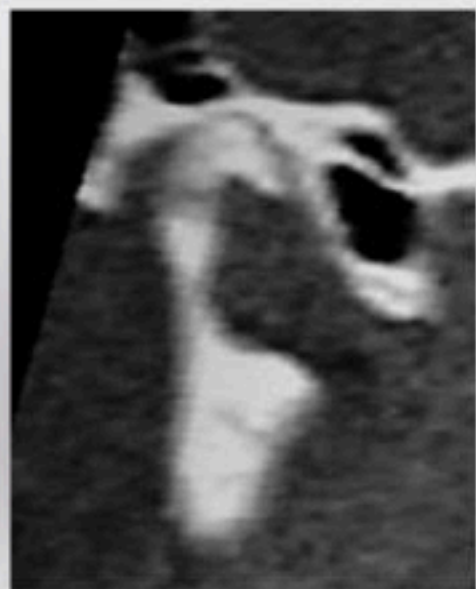
Representative examples of OA in different patients

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Adaptation Chronic Bilateral Osteoarthritis

Mandible recedes Slowly
Teeth Move/ Adapt
Anterior Guidance gets steeper as Condylar Guidance get shallower

OA Right and Left Bone Loss
#8 Ankylosed



Treatment OA

Osteoarthrosis

Glucosamine 1500mg /Chondroitin 600 mg per day

Minimize parafunction:

If sleep grinding due to airway
CPAP or Dental Airway Device

Osteoarthritis

All of the above plus eliminate inflammation.....

NSAIDs for 6+ weeks

Cold Laser

If still inflamed arthrocentesis with
Platelet Rich Plasma (PRP)



Shea Brand CBD



MLS Laser
9 sessions over 4 weeks

MLS Laser: BioResearch

Multiwave Locked System Laser

808 nm Continuous, 905 nm Pulsed

Diode Laser

Stimulates metabolic processes in cells
Increase release NO from cells
Decrease inflammation
Pain Reduction
Faster Healing
Eliminates Trigger Points
Much better than Dry Needling



Chung, H., Dai, T., Sharma, S. K., Huang, Y.-Y., Carroll, J. D., & Hamblin, M. R. (2012). The nuts and bolts of low-level laser (light) therapy. *Annals of Biomedical Engineering*, 40(2), 516–533.

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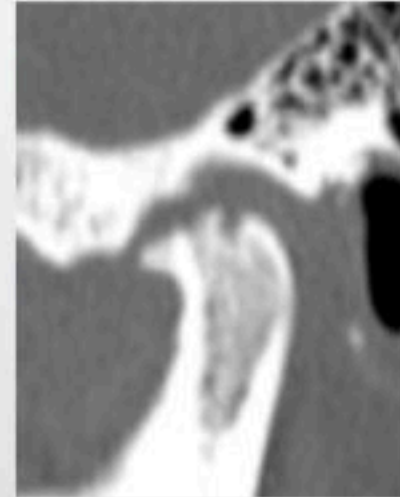
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Arthrocentesis
Platelet Rich Plasma



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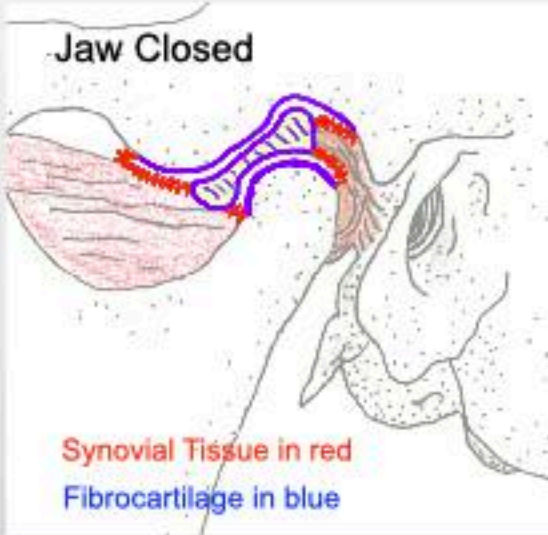
Limited Opening

Diseases to consider and rule out:

- Pain Avoidance Sore Joint
- Pain Avoidance Sore Muscle
- Hematoma
- Muscle Spasm
- Masseteric Space Infection
- Nonreducing Disc (4b,3b Acute)
- Joint Fibrosis, Muscle Fibrosis
- Other

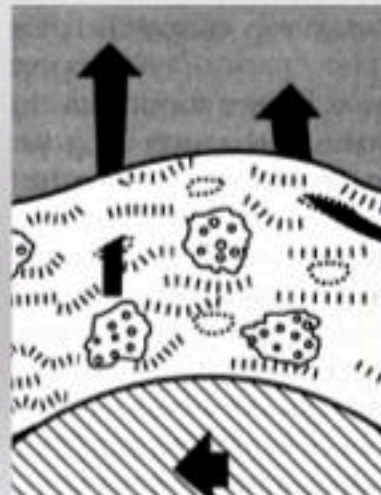
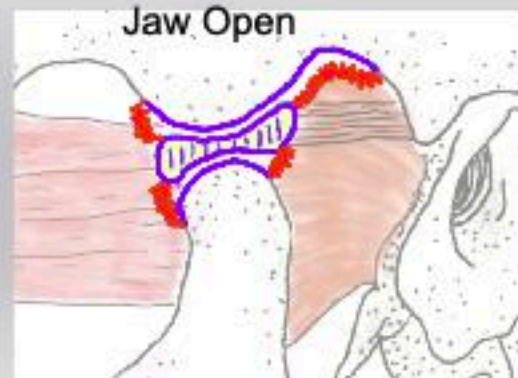
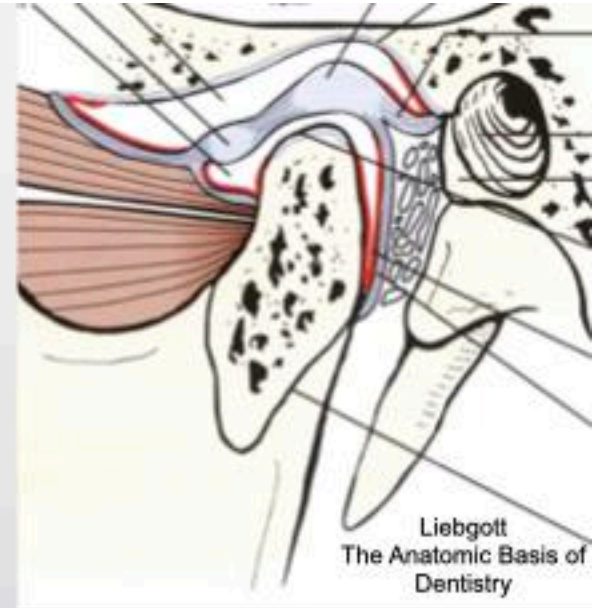


Normal TMJ- Synovium, Cartilage



Fibrocartilage-
Slope of Eminence
Disc
Top of Condyle

Synovial Tissue makes Synovial Fluid
No blood vessels in a health joint
Nutrition to the cartilage cells
Lubrication- Hyaluronic Acid and Lubricin



Fibrocartilage surface covered in fluid
Cartilage is hydrophilic
Proteoglycan negative charge
Surface Active Phospholipids
Fluid slides against fluid
5x slipperier than ice

Differential Diagnosis: Limited Joint Motion

Muscle Spasm

Painful to Move
Joint Pain
Muscle Pain

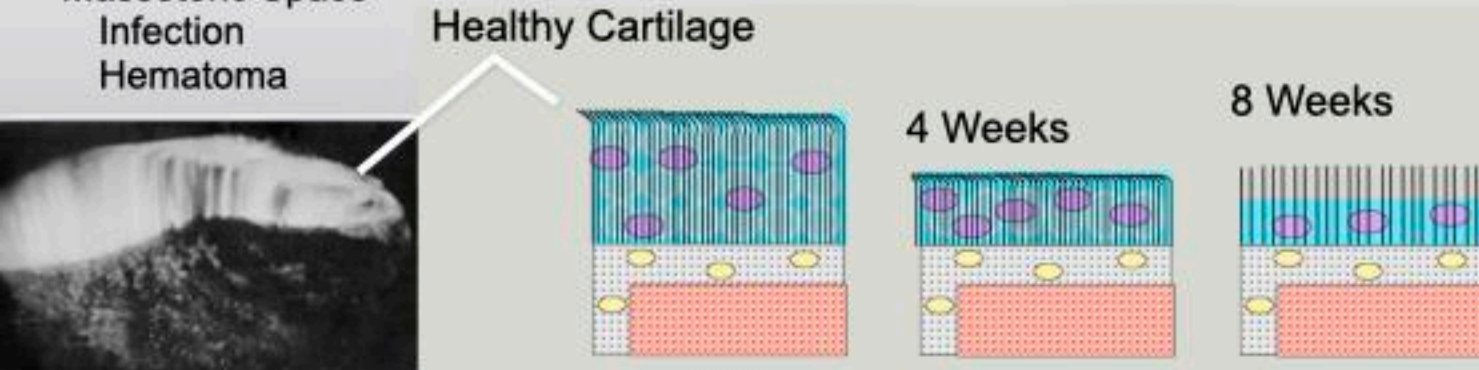
Mechanically Blocked
4b Acute
Adhesion

Masseteric Space
Infection
Hematoma

Lose 50% height of cartilage
Proteoglycans not being produced by Chondrocytes
Loss of 50% proteoglycans and water
Collagen still intact
Process is reversible

Move joint with light force/repetitive motion next 30 days

You have 6-8 weeks to get jaw moving
before cartilage is irreversibly damaged,
independent of the cause of the
immobilization

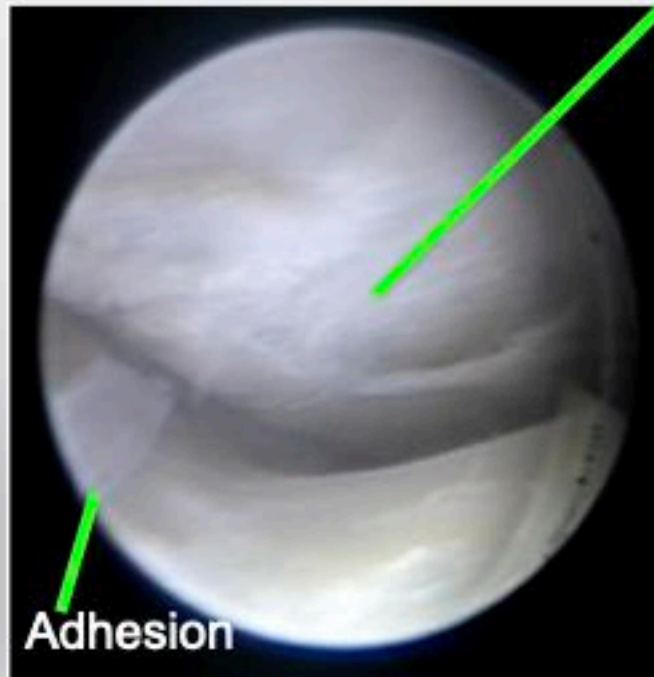
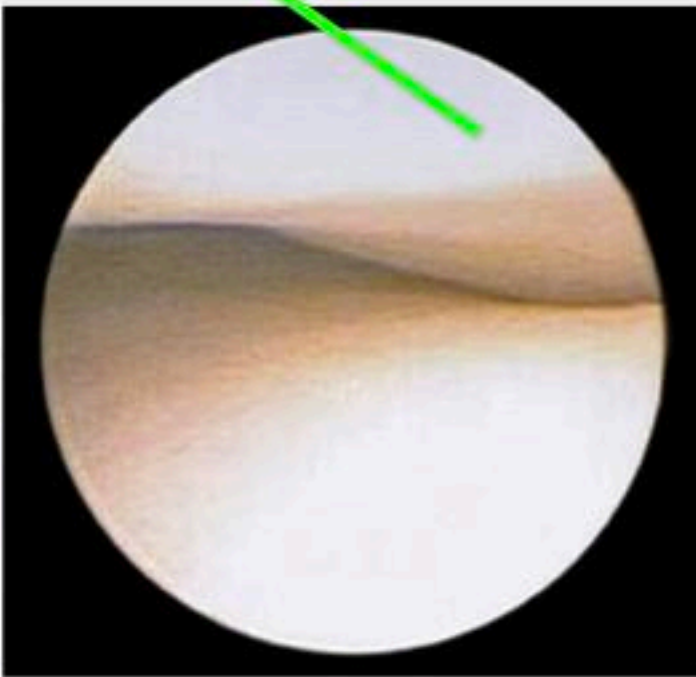


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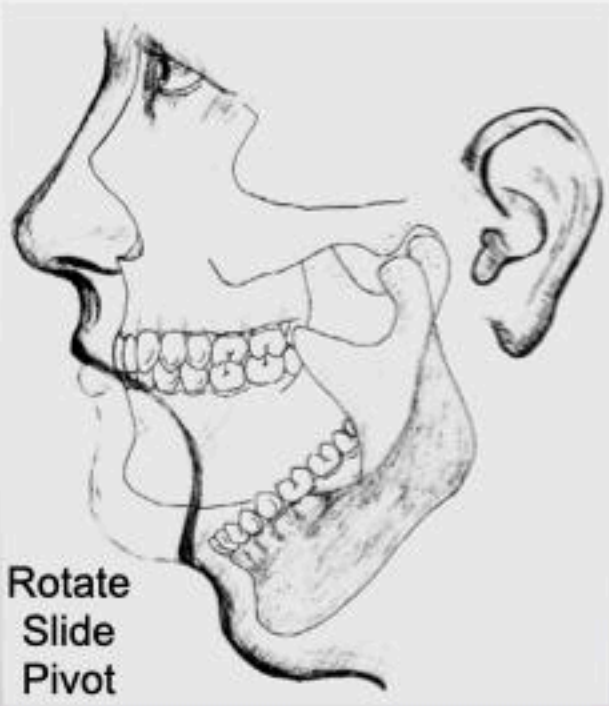
Arthroscopic View Left TMJ

Eminence Healthy Cartilage

Eminence Necrotic Cartilage



Not Same Patient



Rotate
Slide
Pivot

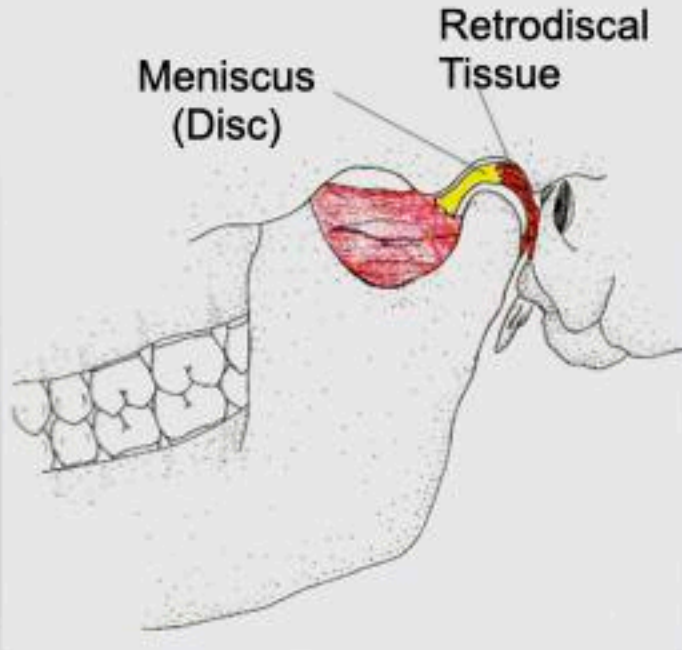
Rotation only 25mm

Max Open	40-55mm
Right Lateral	10-12mm
Left Lateral	10-12mm
Protrusive	10-12mm



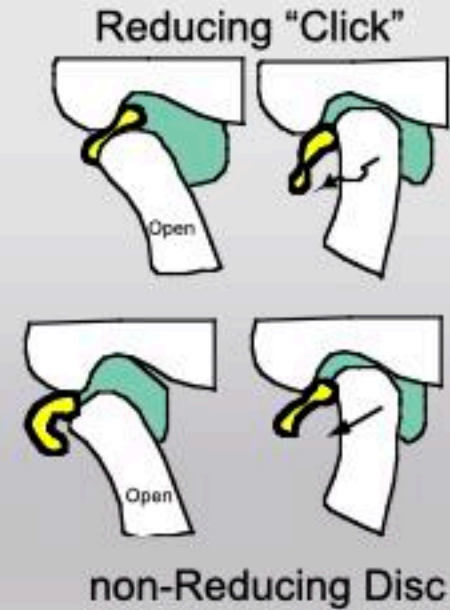
TMJ has 2 Joint Compartments:

Upper- Translation
Lower- Rotation



Acute non-Reducing Disc
Limits Translation.

"Old Adapted" may have
full range of motion.



Subjective:

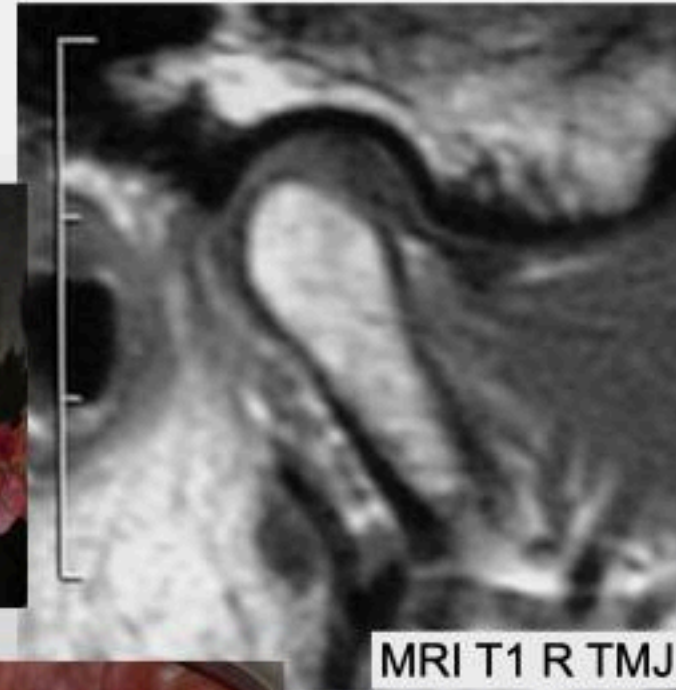
Dentist doing crown prep #30 1 week ago
Severe pain Right TMJ after moving jaw at end of appt
Constant deep pain Right TMJ
Limited opening

Objective:

Limited opening 32mm, Mandible shifts Left
Normal side to side motion
98 temp, normal perio probe 2nd molars, no caries
No pain palpation RL Medial Pterygoid
Soft end point on active stretch, 45mm, R TMJ pain
Right TMJ pain to palpation, Left TMJ normal
Posterior openbite Right, does not hold Accufilm

Assessment:

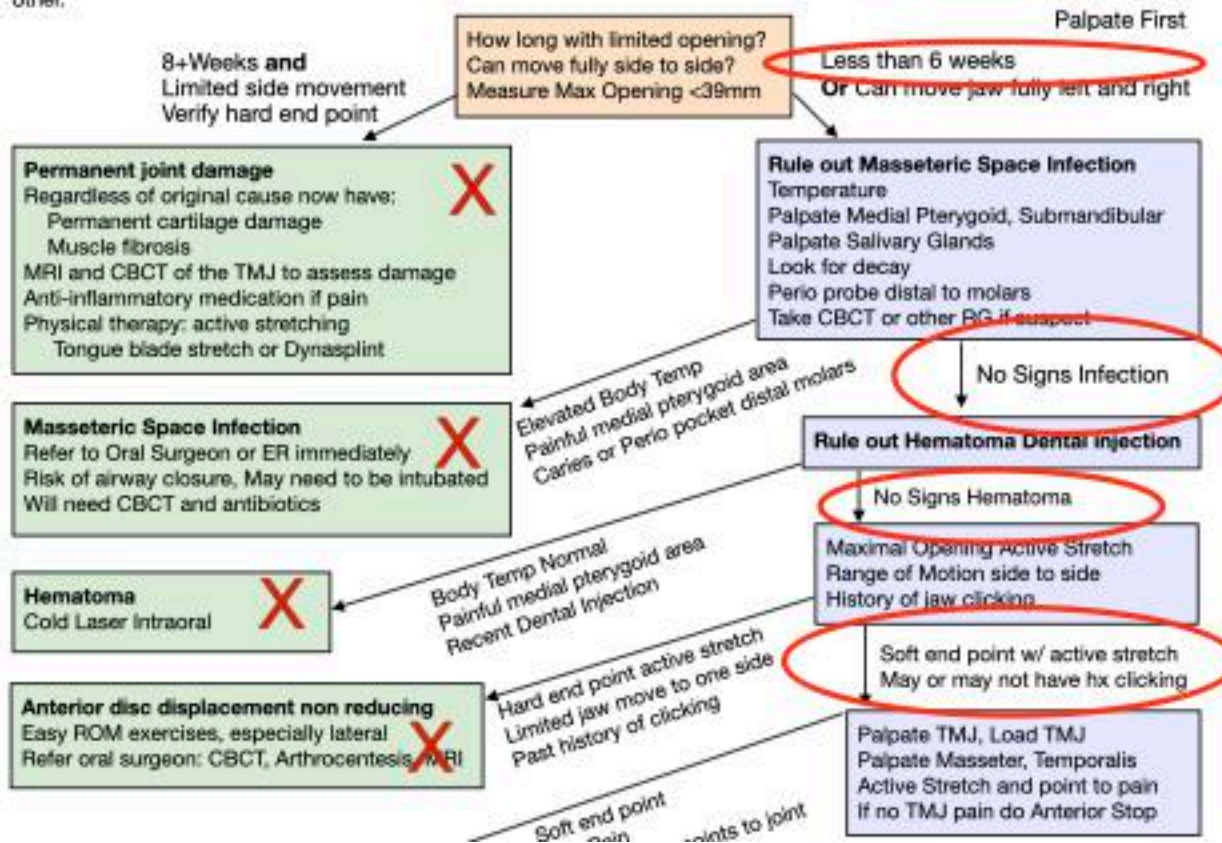
Limited opening due to Right TMJ pain avoidance
Acute Sprain Right TMJ Ligaments



Dr Droter's Limited Opening Algorithm

22.3

Differential Diagnosis Limited Opening (Less than 39mm): Pain Avoidance Sore Joint, Pain Avoidance Sore Muscle, Hemtoma, Muscle Spasm, Masseteric Space Infection, Nonreducing Disc (4b,3b Acute), Joint Fibrosis, Muscle Fibrosis, other.



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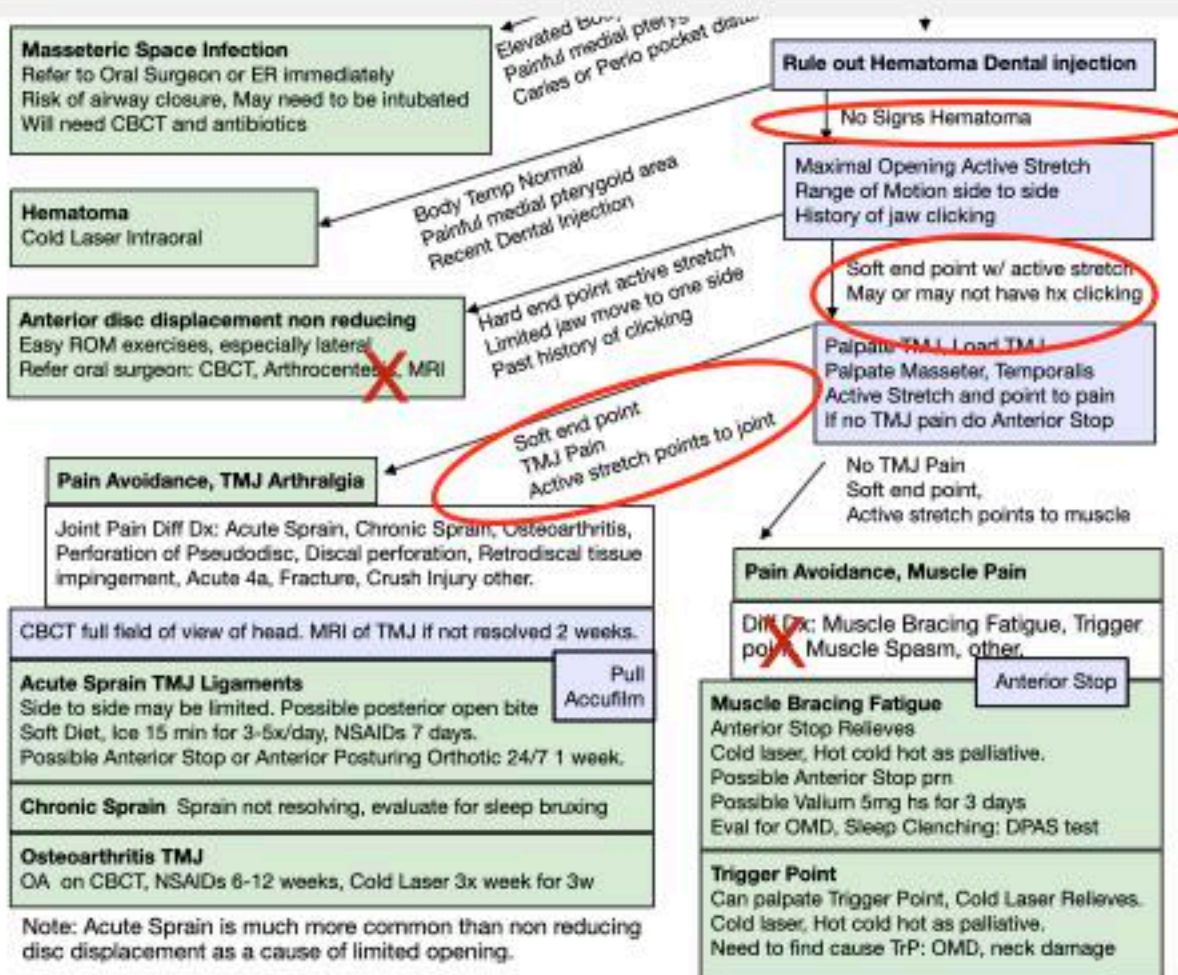
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Pain Avoidance, TMJ Arthralgia

Soft end point
TMJ Pain
Active stretch point

Joint Pain Diff Dx: Acute Sprain, Chronic Sprain, Osteoarthritis, Perforation of Pseudodisc, Discal perforation, Retrodiscal tissue impingement, Acute 4a, Fracture, Crush Injury other.

CBCT full field of view of head. MRI of TMJ if not resolved 2 weeks.

Acute Sprain TMJ Ligaments

Side to side may be limited. Possible posterior open bite
Soft Diet, Ice 15 min for 3-5x/day, NSAIDs 7 days.
Possible Anterior Stop or Anterior Posturing Orthotic 24/7 1 week.

Pull
Accufilm

Chronic Sprain Sprain not resolving, evaluate for sleep bruxing

Osteoarthritis TMJ

OA on CBCT, NSAIDs 6-12 weeks, Cold Laser 3x week for 3w

Note: Acute Sprain is much more common than non reducing disc displacement as a cause of limited opening.

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Working Diagnosis: S03.40xxA Sprain Discal Ligament TMJ, acute with joint edema.
Pain Avoidance Sore Joint. Muscle bracing painful joint.

Treatment:

Ice 15-20 minutes for 3-5x 2 days only

Anterior repositioning orthotic 24/7 one week

NSAID for 5 days- 800mg Advil Liquid gel caps, q8h

Soft chew diet

At 1 week Anterior repositioning orthotic sleep only for second week

Week 3, no orthotic, reintroduce harder foods



Verify Orthotic does not rub
lingual tissue of mandible



At 4 weeks patient had full ROM
No clicking

New addition to protocol
Cold Laser (MLS Laser- 1500 hz 15
seconds, 10 hz 30 seconds)

Current Sprain Protocol

Soft chew diet

Ice over TMJ 15 minutes 3-5 times a day for 3-5 days, 2-3x a day for additional 3 days

NSAID: Advil Liquid Gel Caps 200mg, 3 caps 3x a day

or Aleve Liquid Gel Caps 220mg, 1 cap twice a day for 5 days or

In 1 week if still sore fabricate temporary upper Anterior Stop

Can add Cold Laser 350 hz both joints: 30 seconds open, 30 seconds closed

If still sore in 1 week will need TMJ imaging: CBCT and MRI



MLS Cold Laser
BioResearch



Temporary Anterior Stop
ArrowPath Sleep

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6 Common TMDs

Diagnosis	Pattern	Treatment
Clenching	Patient is aware Masseters Ache Morning TMJ clicking that resolves	Occlusal Adjust D-PAS Night Guard (if inhibition) Magnesium and Vitamin C hs
Sleep Grinding	Worn Teeth	Protective night guard Airway night night guard
Occlusal Muscle Dysfunction	Sore muscles when chewing Sore Lateral Pterygoid, Headaches Day D-PAS Relieves Symptoms	Occlusal Adjustment
Osteoarthritis of TMJ	Arthralgia CBCT shows worn bone loss MRI T2, STIR ++	NSAID for 6-12 weeks Occlusal Adjustment Do not put in a night guard
Sprain Discal Ligament TMJ, Acute	Sudden onset pain TMJ, sore TMJ Limited opening Soft end point active stretch	Cold Laser, Ice 15 min 3x a day Rest, Soft diet, NSAID 7 days Anterior Reposition Orthotic 7 days
Acute Closed Lock TMJ	Sore TMJ Limited opening Hard end point active stretch	Arthrocentesis with PRP

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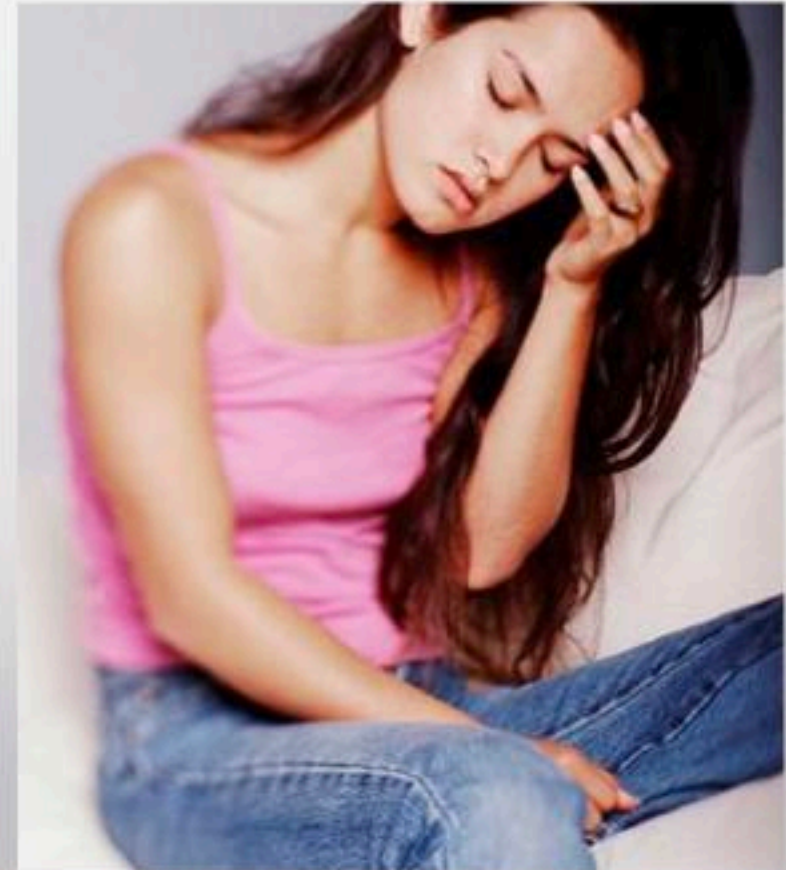
- Parafunctional Clenching
- Parafunctional Grinding
- Occlusal Muscle Dysfunction
- Osteoarthritis
- Acute Sprain
- Acute Closed lock of TMJ disc

5 Common Obstacles

- Neck and Postural Instability
- Wobbly TM Joint (Subluxation)
- Compromised Breathing/Airway
- Avascular Necrosis
- Referred Pain Muscle Triggerpoints

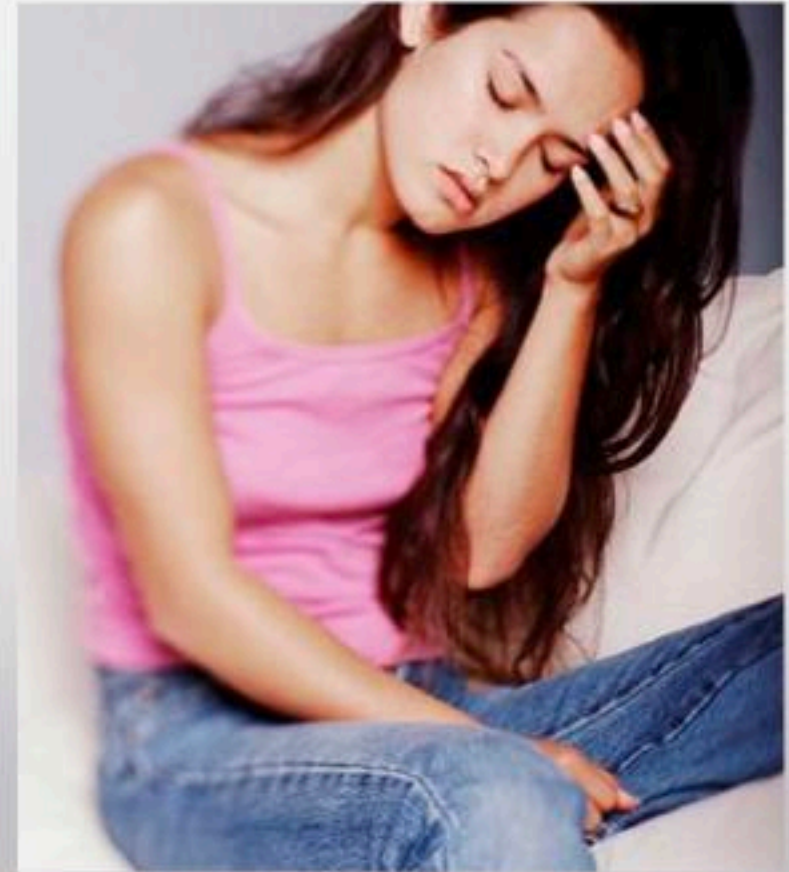
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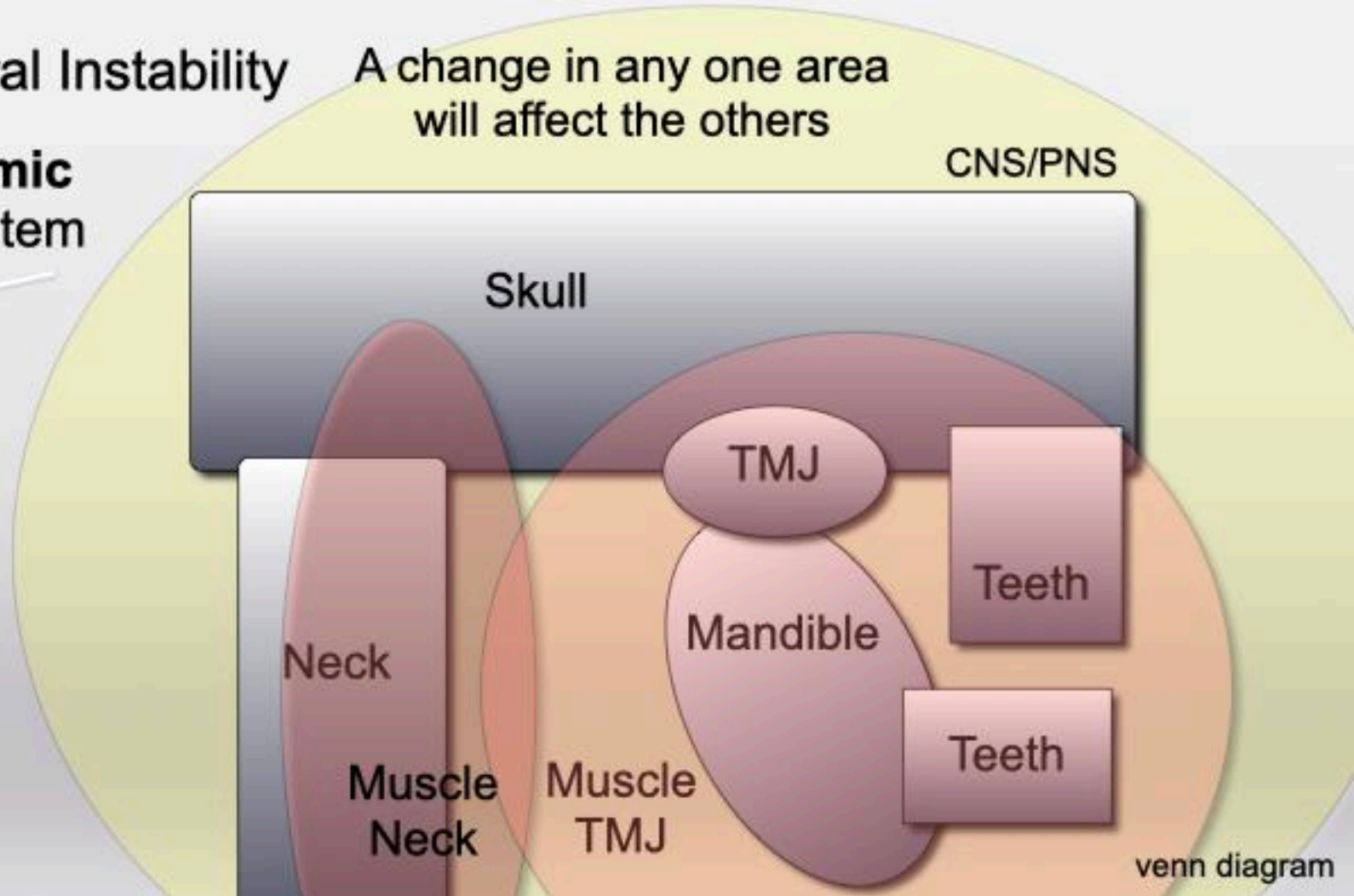
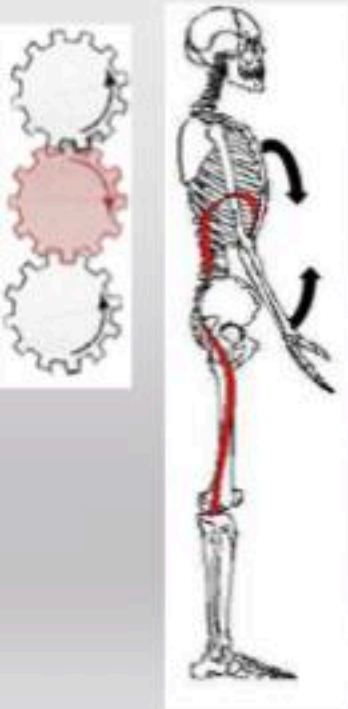
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Neck and Postural Instability

A change in any one area will affect the others

This is a **dynamic** orthopedic System



Non-Linear Joint Deformity- Mechanically Unstable TMJs- “Wobbly Joint”

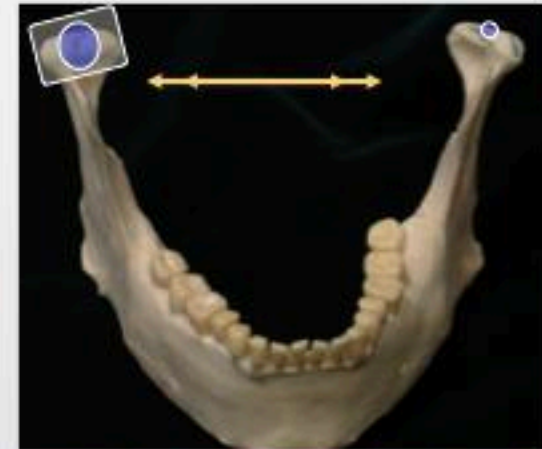
TM Joint subluxates under load
Adapted CR “wobbles”

TMJ Muscle hyperactivity
Looks similar to OMD
Muscles must stabilize the joint
Deep temporalis especially sore

Clinically:
Hypersensitive bite
Increase muscle pain with anterior deprogrammer
Continued muscle disharmony with flat plane orthotics
CT Scan- CR load zone not medial
JVA- after tooth tap see “wobble- 50hz vibration

How to Avoid Missing Dx- Offer complete exam to crown patients
Include anterior stop dx test
Let patients decide which risk to take.

Treatment: Lock-in Orthotic 6 months, the CR orthotic, then D-PAS.



Diagnostic Palatal Anterior Stop

D-PAS Test: Wear for 2 weeks, 24/7, take out to eat

Better- Decrease in Symptoms

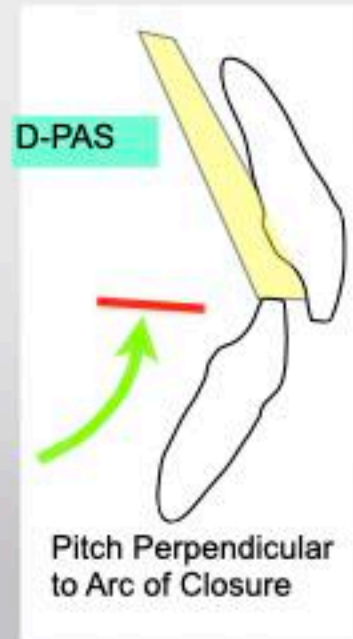
Sleep Clenching Inhibited: Wear D-PAS as night guard
Orthotic Improved Airway: D-PAS as night guard
Occlusal Muscle Disharmony: Occlusal Adjust

Worse- Increase in Symptoms

Mechanically Unstable TMJ, joint subluxation
Intracapsular Problem TMJ
Orthotic Made Sleep Airway Worse

Stays the Same- No Change in Symptoms

Damaged TMJ are mechanically stable
Pain not related to occlusion



Stapelmann H, Türp JC. The NTI-tss device for the therapy of bruxism, temporomandibular disorders, and headache.....BMC Oral Health. 2008 Jul PMID: 18662411



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ArrowPath Sleep
 3.9 mm Anterior Stop
 Muscle Deprogrammer
 Airway bite
 Facial Analyzer



ArrowPath Sleep
 D-PAS
 Diagnostic-
 Palatal Anterior Stop



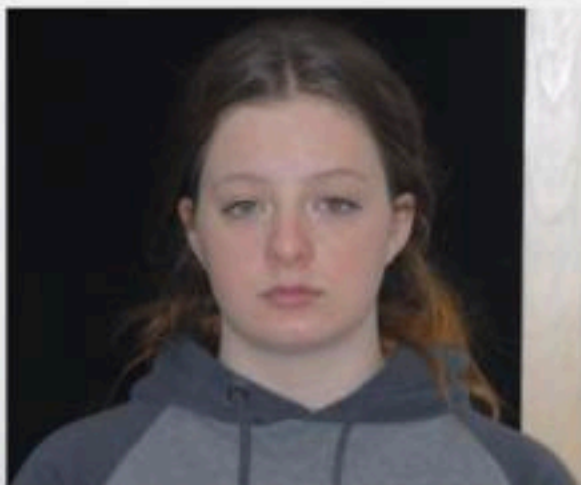
ArrowPath Sleep
 Lower Posterior Stop
 Night Guard



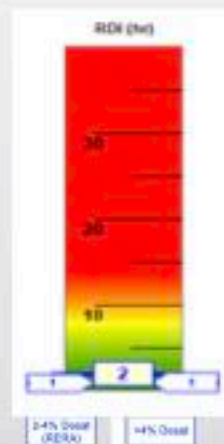
ArrowPath Sleep
 Trial Anterior Stop Night Guard



Age 16F
cc: Facial Pain, Excessive Daytime Fatigue



Patient Safety Inc Pulse Ox Sleep Screening
RDI = 2, Autonomic Arousal **31 /h**



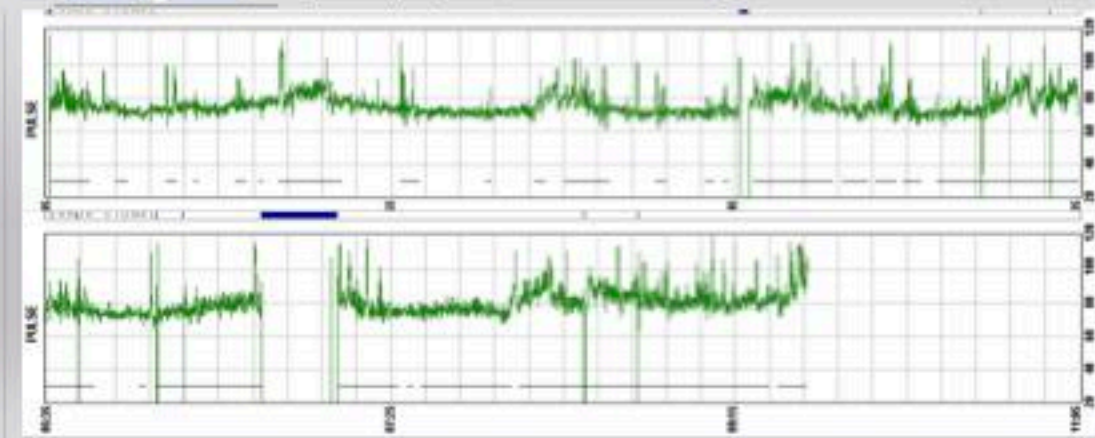
PULSE RATE DATA	
Autonomic Arousal	
Index (#/hr):	31
Pulse Rate Range	
Mean:	78
Min:	34
Max:	122
Tachycardia - Sleep (>90 bpm)	
Duration:	00:34:56
% (VRT):	6%
Bradycardia - Sleep (<50 bpm)	
Duration:	00:00:35
% (VRT):	0%



Heart Rate
>90 bpm
for 35 min

Medical Sleep Study in Lab RDI = 1
Dx: Snoring without evidence of gas exchange abnormalities or sleep disruptions

Sleep Latency Test
Dx: Narcolepsy
Recommend daytime medication



Disordered Breathing Disease Progression

Disease Stage 1

Predisposing Factors

Small Airway

Tongue Tie, Lip Tie
Bottle Fed as Infant
Dysfunctional Swallow
Allergies
Nasal Obstruction
Large Tonsil
Large Adenoids
Large Tongue
Mid-face Deficient
Mandibular Deficient
4 Bicuspid Extraction

Disease Stage 2

Compensation: Airway Maintained

Signs

Mouth Breathing
Head Postured Forward
Jaw Postured Forward
Tongue Bracing
Indents in Tongue
Sore Masseters
Sore Neck Muscles

Symptoms

Facial Ache
Not Waking Rested
Daily Fatigue
Neck Soreness

Disease Stage 3

Sleep Airway Partial Collapse

Signs

All of stage 1 and 2 plus.....
Upper Airway Resistance
2-4% Drop O₂ Saturation
RERA- Respiratory Arousals
Sleep Teeth Grinding
↓ Growth Hormone

Symptoms

Heart Rate Fluctuation
Snoring or "Purring"
Weight Gain
Cognitive Impairment, ADD
Hyperactivity

Disease Stage 4

Sleep Airway Full collapse

Signs

All of stage 1, 2, 3 plus....
4%+ drop O₂ Saturation
Apnea
Cardiovascular Damage
Elevated BP
GERD

Symptoms

All of stage 2, 3 plus....
Worn Teeth

Disordered Breathing Disease Stage 4

OSA- Obstructive Sleep Apnea

AHI- Apnea Hypopnea Index

Apnea and Hypopnea events per hour

Apnea- Stop airflow for 10 seconds

Hypopnea- <50% airflow or 4+% O₂ Desaturation

Disease Stage 1	Disease Stage 2	Disease Stage 3	Disease Stage 4
<p>Predisposing Factors</p> <p>Small Airway</p> <p>Tongue Tie, Lip Tie Bottle Fed as Infant Dysfunctional Swallow Allergies Nasal Obstruction Large Tonsil Large Adenoids Large Tongue Mid-face Deficient Mandibular Deficient 4 Buccal Extraction</p>	<p>Compensation: Airway Maintained</p> <p>Signs</p> <p>Mouth Breathing Head Postured Forward Jaw Postured Forward Tongue Beating Indents in Tongue Sore Masseters Sore Neck Muscles</p> <p>Symptoms</p> <p>Facial Ache Not Waking Rested Daily Fatigue Neck Soreness</p>	<p>Sleep Airway Partial Collapse</p> <p>Signs</p> <p>All of stage 1 and 2 plus.... Upper Airway Resistance 2-4% Drop O₂ Saturation RERA- Respiratory Arousal Sleep Teeth Grinding ↓ Growth Hormone</p> <p>Symptoms</p> <p>Heart Rate Fluctuation Snoring or "Purring" Weight Gain Cognitive Impairment, ADD Hyperactivity</p>	<p>Sleep Airway Full collapse</p> <p>Signs</p> <p>All of stage 1, 2, 3 plus.... 4%+ drop O₂ Saturation Apnea Cardiovascular Damage Elevated BP GERD</p> <p>Symptoms</p> <p>All of stage 2, 3 plus.... Worn Teeth</p>

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AHI 1-4
"Normal" ??

AHI 5-15
Mild OSA

AHI 15-30
Moderate OSA

AHI 30+
Severe

Signs

- Apnea
- 4% drop O₂ Saturation
- Cardiovascular Damage
- Elevated BP
- GERD

Symptoms

- Not Waking Rested, Daily Fatigue
- Cognitive Impairment

Irreversible Damage

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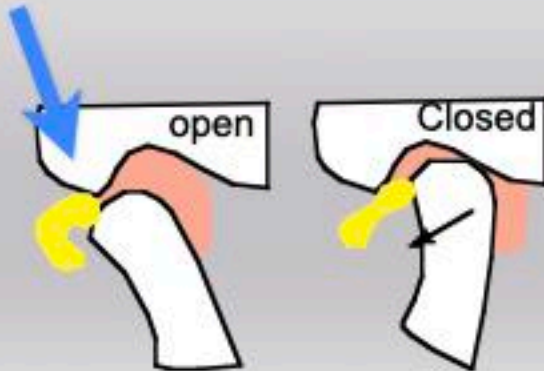
When the clicking stops (4a to 4b):

Condyle Distalized

Venous return compromised

Compromised Condylar Perfusion
Blood flow through condyle is decreased

Disc Anterior

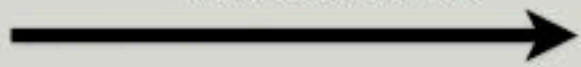


3 Outcomes of Compromised Condylar Perfusion

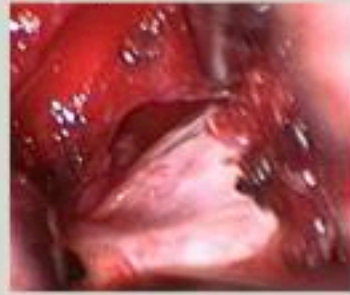


Bone cells die

Avascular Necrosis

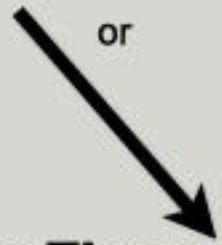


One and Done
 Condyle collapses 1y later.
 Cartilage remains intact
 Occlusion shifts once, AVN is finished.



Nothing

Compromised but adequate.
 99% patients have no problems



or

Inflammatory Tissue Bone Resorption

Cortex Collapses, Cartilage tears
 Inflamed tissue contacting bone
 Inflammatory cells activate Osteoclasts

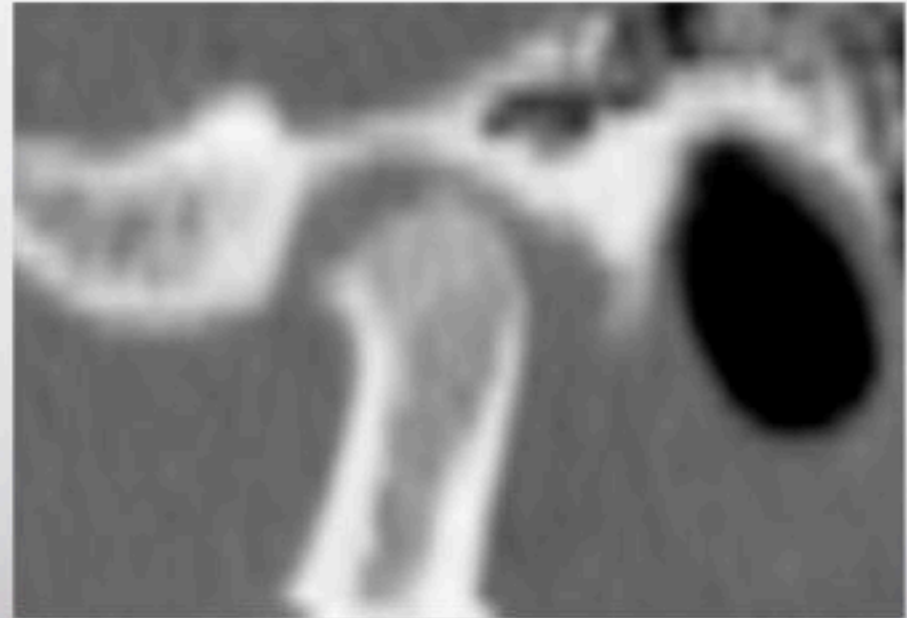


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Hypoxia Induced Progressive Condylar Resorption HI-PCR

On CT see Flat condylar surface
Missing Subchondral Cortex During Active Phase
Slow, Progressive Condylar Resorption

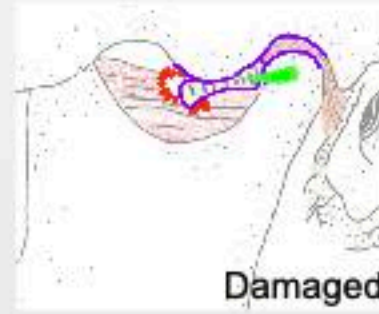
Occlusion will constantly be changing



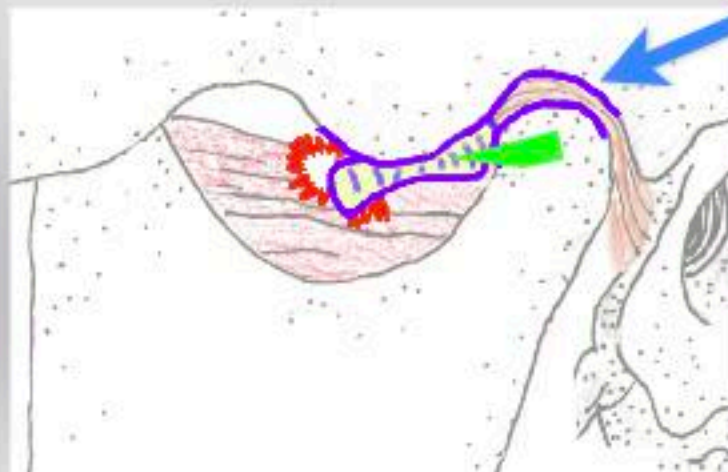
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Adapted
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Favorably, Unfavorably



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TMJs adapt favorably



Posterior ligament, synovium,
and retrodiscal tissue adapt to
form a
Pseudo-disc

Tissue Fibrosis

Adult Onset Anterior Open Bite Differential Diagnosis

Developed Post-Puberty



TMJ has changed

TMJ Bone Loss (See bone loss choices)

Recent Large Disc Displacement

Condylar Fracture

Teeth have moved

Tongue- used as occlusal cushion

Tongue used to stabilize neck or TMJ

Iatrogenic- Orthotics, Retainers

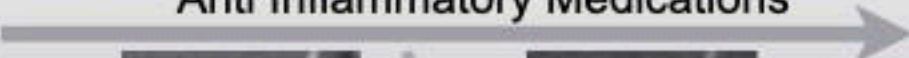
Both have loss of anterior coupling

Anterior Openbite with Active TMJ Bone Loss

Non Surgical Therapies



Condylar Distraction
Anti Inflammatory Medications

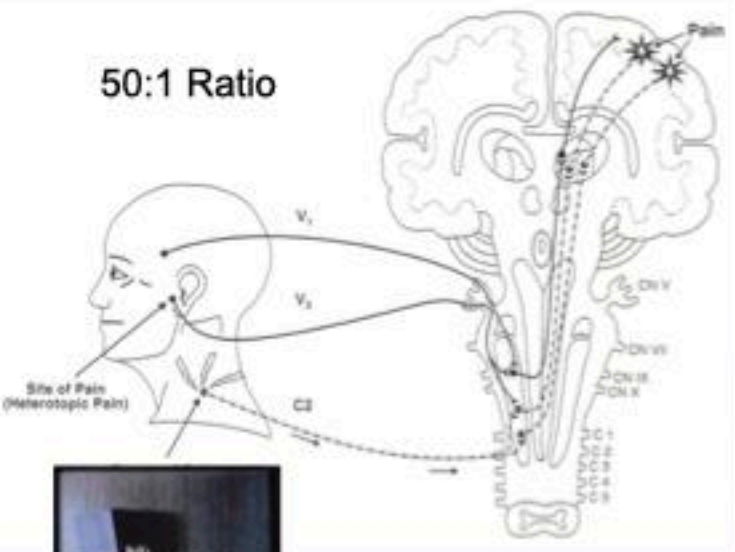


Referred Pain

Convergence

More primary sensory neurons than secondary neurons that travel to brain

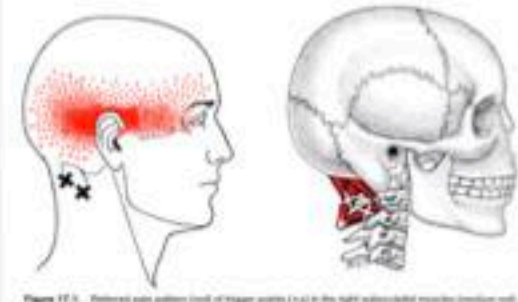
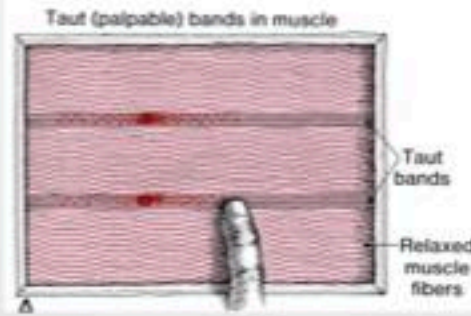
50:1 Ratio



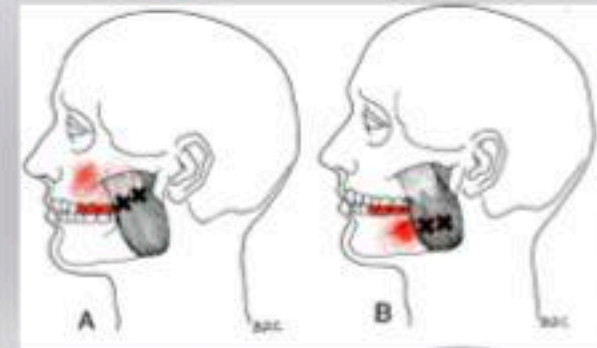
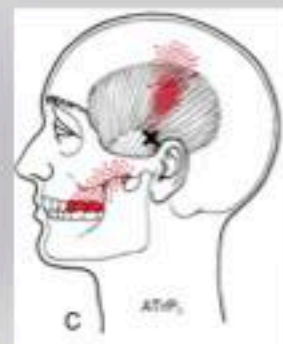
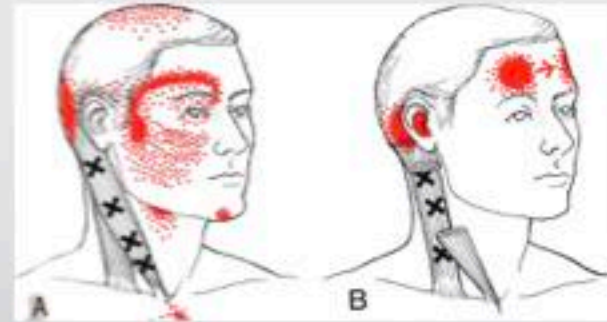
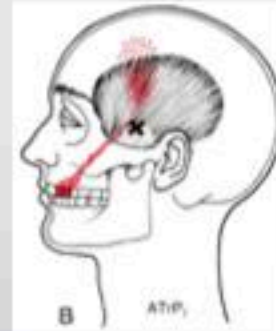
"Bells Orofacial Pain"
Jeffery Okeson

Trigger Points

Contracted mass of actin, myosin and histamine

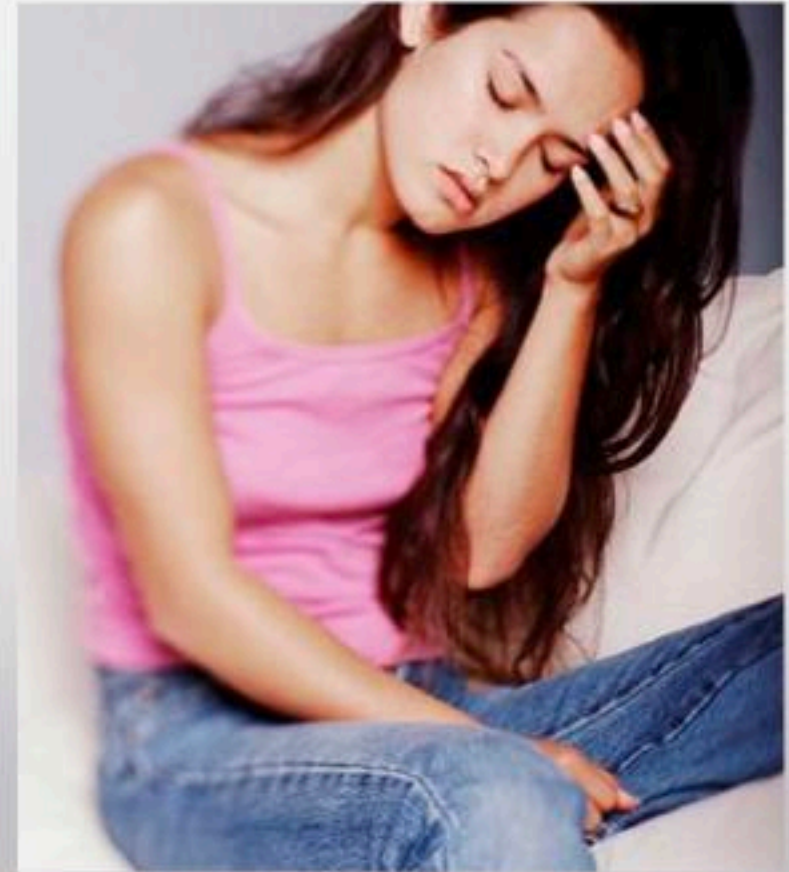


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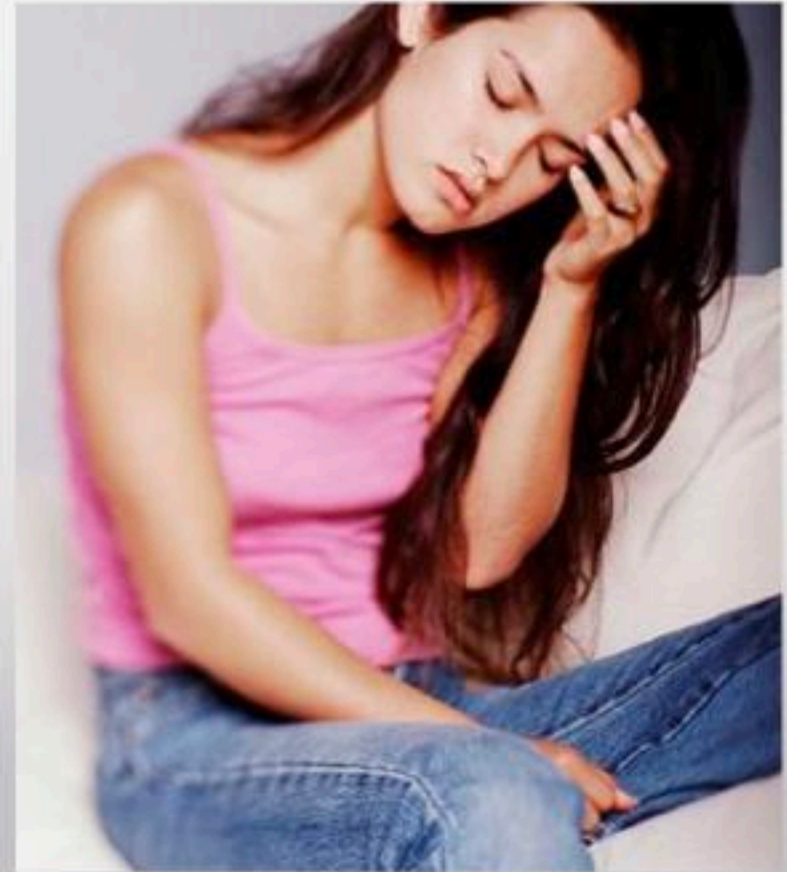
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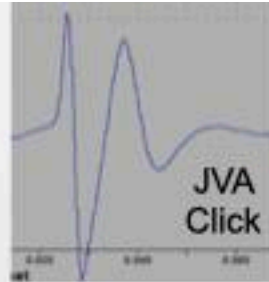
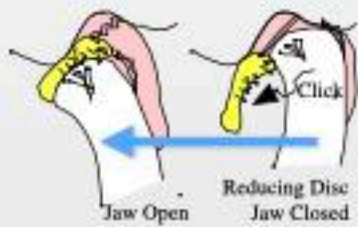
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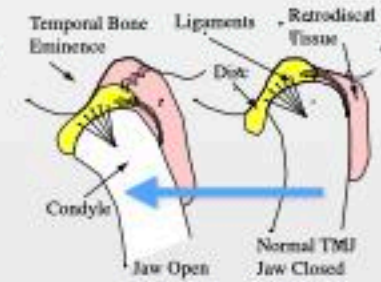


Differential Diagnosis of TMJ Clicking

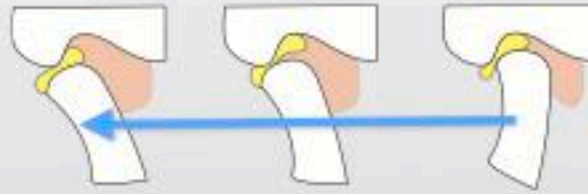
Disc Reduction



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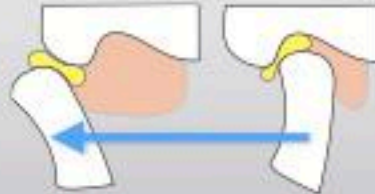


Adhesive Click



“Sticky Disc” - Disc sticks after prolonged clenching, then releases

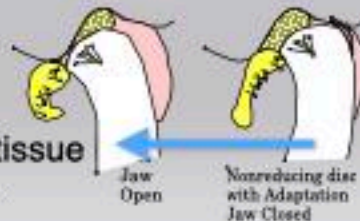
Eminence Thud



A hypermobile condyle moves past the crest of the eminence and makes a thud sound

Adhesion Crackle

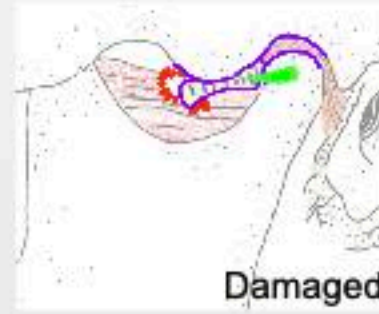
A small piece of fibrous tissue 4b joint is moved across



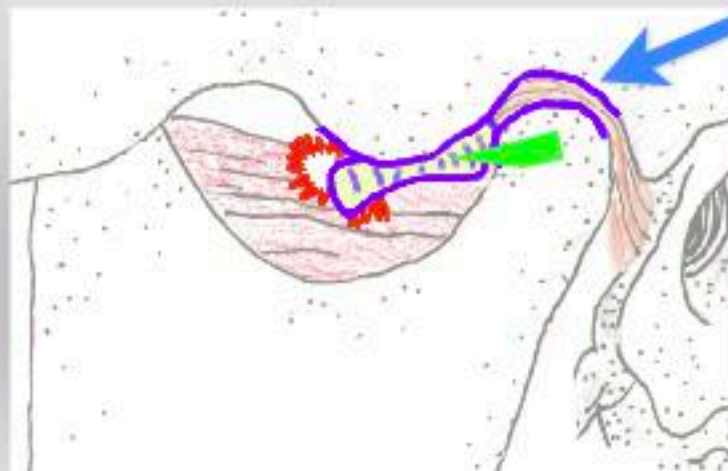
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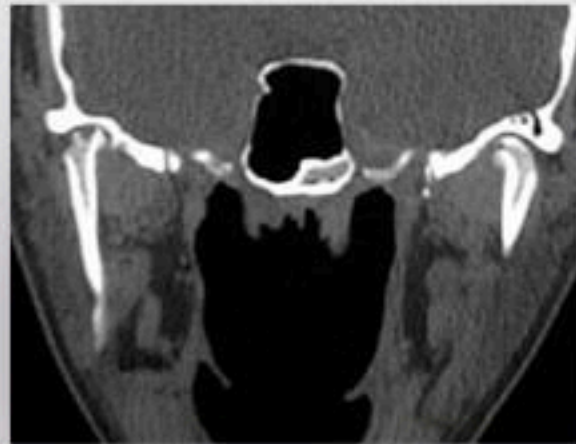
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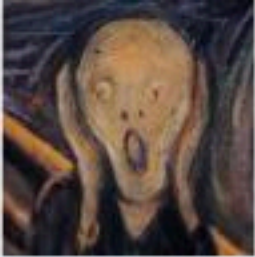
- University Hospital, Netherlands: 134 TMD patients, 30 year follow up
- Patients received good clinical work up and diagnosis 30 years ago, but basically no treatment
 - ┆ (Reassurance, PT, exercise, limited occlusal adjust)
- 70% satisfied with results
- 25% still had pain on movement
- 15% not able to eat hard foods
- 35 control patients had no apparent symptoms

**If you have a disease that is
one in a thousand, it is 100% for you**

There is no love sincerer than the love of food.

G. B. Shaw





Damaged TMJs



Adapt Favorably 85%
Adapt Fairly 14%
Adapt Poorly <1%



Occlusal Muscle Dysfunction
Osteoarthritis



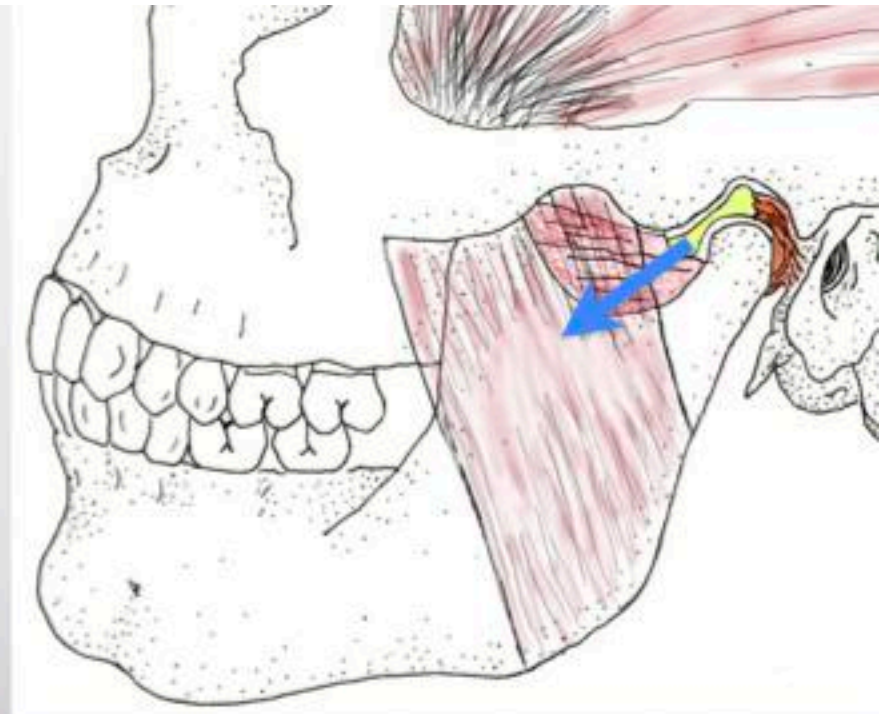
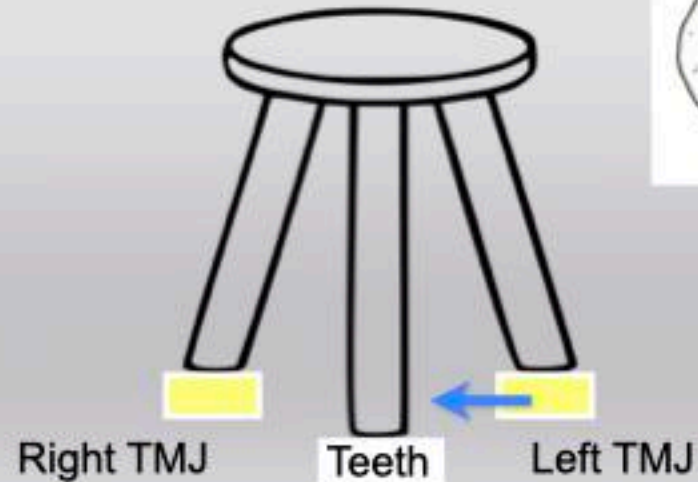
Avascular Necrosis
Progressive Condylar Resorption

*These are my guesses on %, no research to back up to backup

Normal Joint with Normal Occlusion

All teeth touch evenly with condyles seated in fossa

What happens to the occlusion if the disc is dislocated?



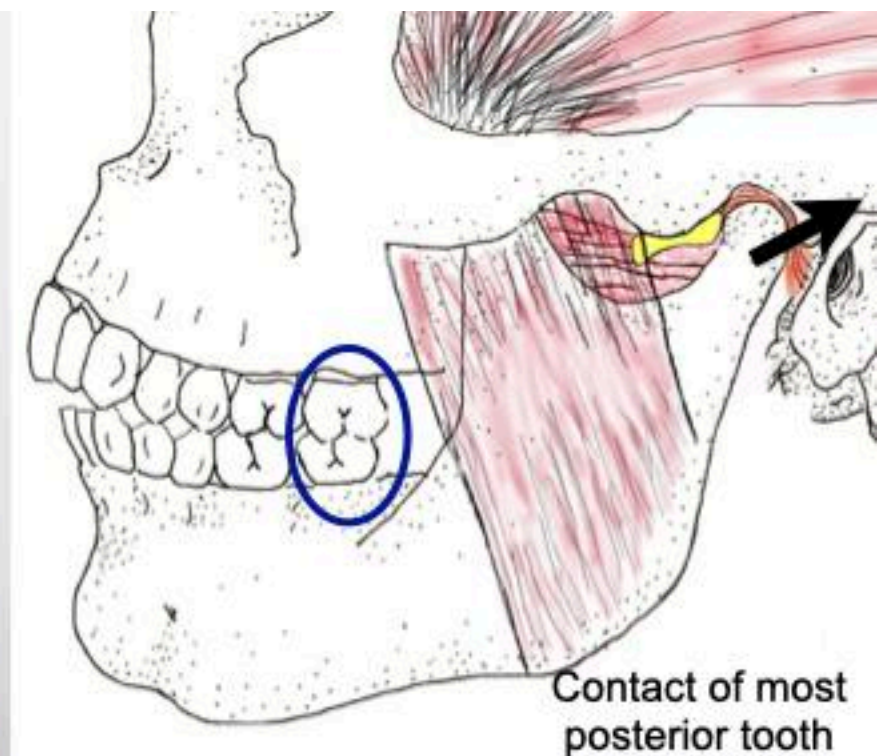
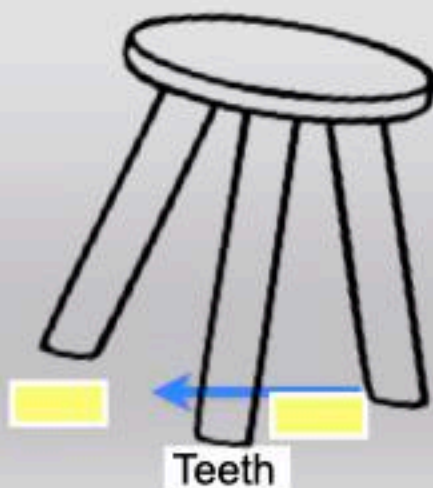
Damaged Joint with Malocclusion

85% damaged joints adapt favorably with respect to the TMJ.

Anteriorly Dislocated Disc, Mandible shifts:
Inadequate Anterior Guidance, Posterior Disclusion
Uneven Occlusion,
CR≠MaxIC
Occlusal Muscle Disharmony develops.

Treat Adapted joints with OMD
the same as healthy joints with OMD:
Occlusal Adjustment

CR≠MaxIC should be 2mm or less.
(Anterior Posterior 2mm)
If >2mm something else is going on.



Occlusal Muscle Disharmony

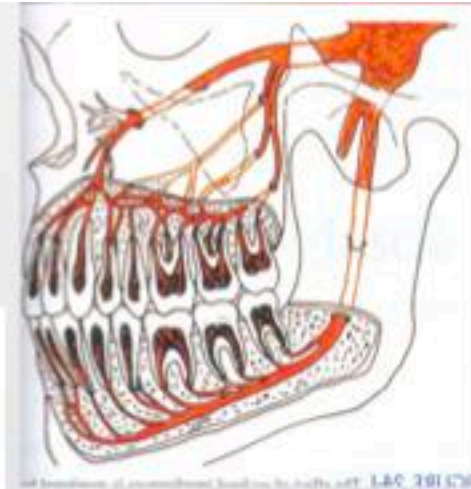
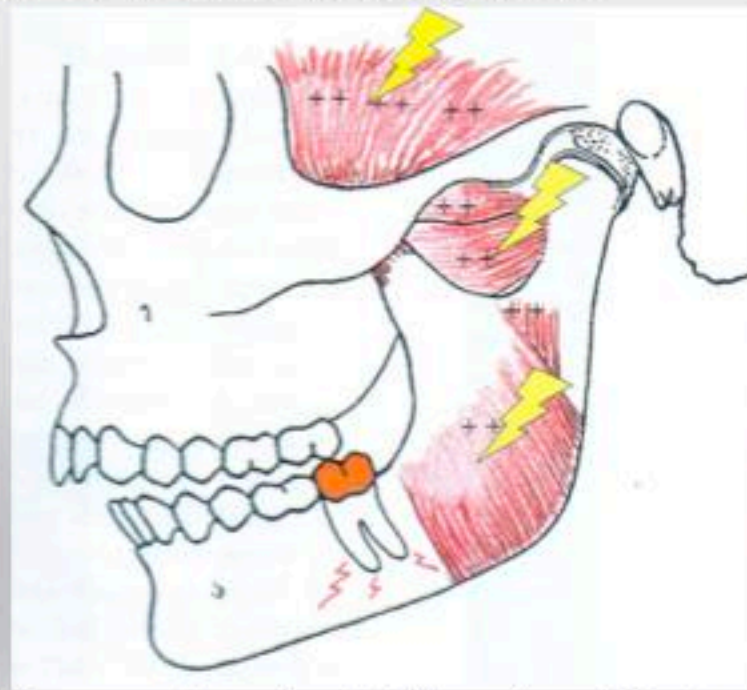
Uneven tooth contact with condyles fully seated triggers muscle activity

Lateral pterygoid fires out of sequence to create even tooth contact on closure

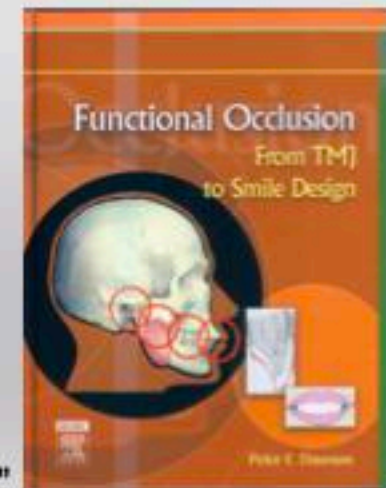
Disharmony in all muscles: Splinting/Bracing

Muscles sore from overuse

Muscles do not think- CNS input



from Dawson's Textbook, "Functional Occlusion"



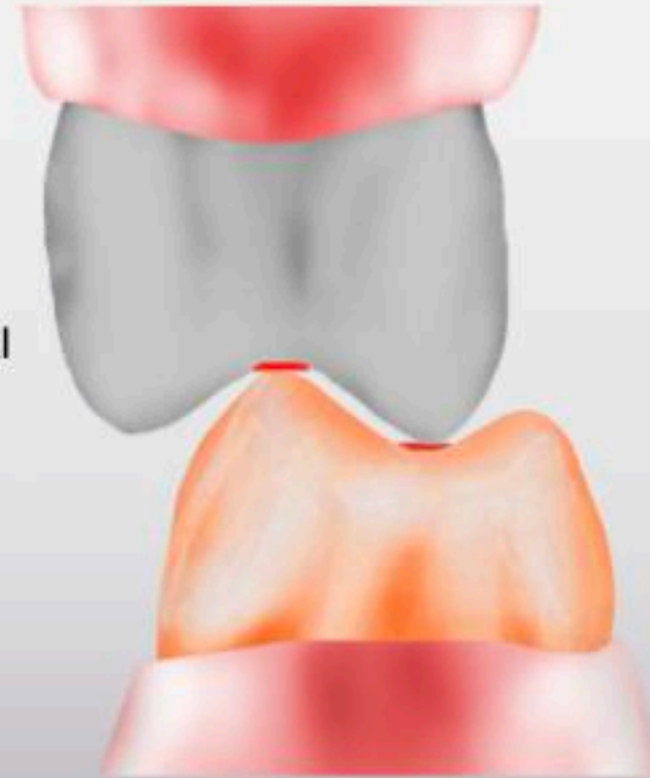
LD Pankey's 3 Rules of Occlusion

(Clyde Schuyler)

1. With the condyles fully seated in the fossa, all the posterior teeth touch simultaneously and even, with the anterior teeth lightly touching.
2. When you squeeze, neither a tooth nor the mandible moves (in a lateral direction).
3. When you move the mandible in any excursion, no back tooth hits before, harder than, or after a front tooth.

Bonus Rule- Harmonious Anterior Guidance. Cuspid guidance directs the mandible slightly forward, not backward, with smooth cross over from cuspid to anterior teeth. Protrusive contact even on both central incisors.

Bonus Observation- All the above work much better the closer the teeth are to being on the Curve of Spee and Curve of Wilson

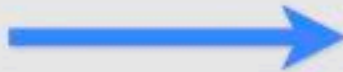


Drawing by Dr Jim Kessler

Treat Occlusal Muscle Dysfunction- Adjust the Occlusion



Teeth reshaped so all teeth hit even with condyles seated in fossa. Posterior teeth separate on lateral and anterior excursions.



Before

After



Occlusal Sculpting Tools, including Zirconia



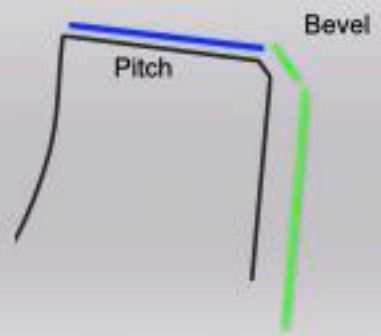
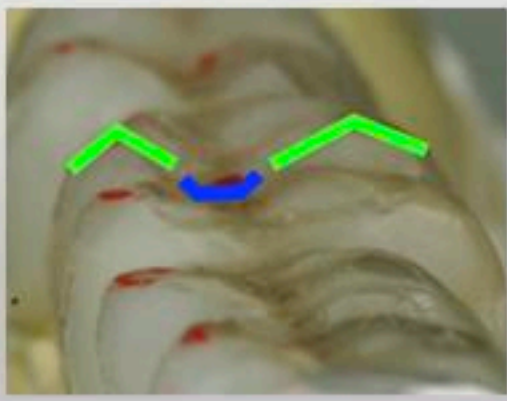
Wheel
 Create Cusp Landing Zone
 Flatten Incisal edges
 Bulk reduction of inclines



Move and Shape Cusps,
 Inclines, Facial Surfaces



Brassler Brio Shine
 FLBCER-1
 FLBF-2



Premier 860.9 F Wheel Diamond
 Premier 230 F Barrel Diamond
 Neodiamond 1118.7F Roundend taper
 Dedco Green Stone
 White Arkansas stone
 Filtek Supreme- B1B, Albond

6 Common TMDs

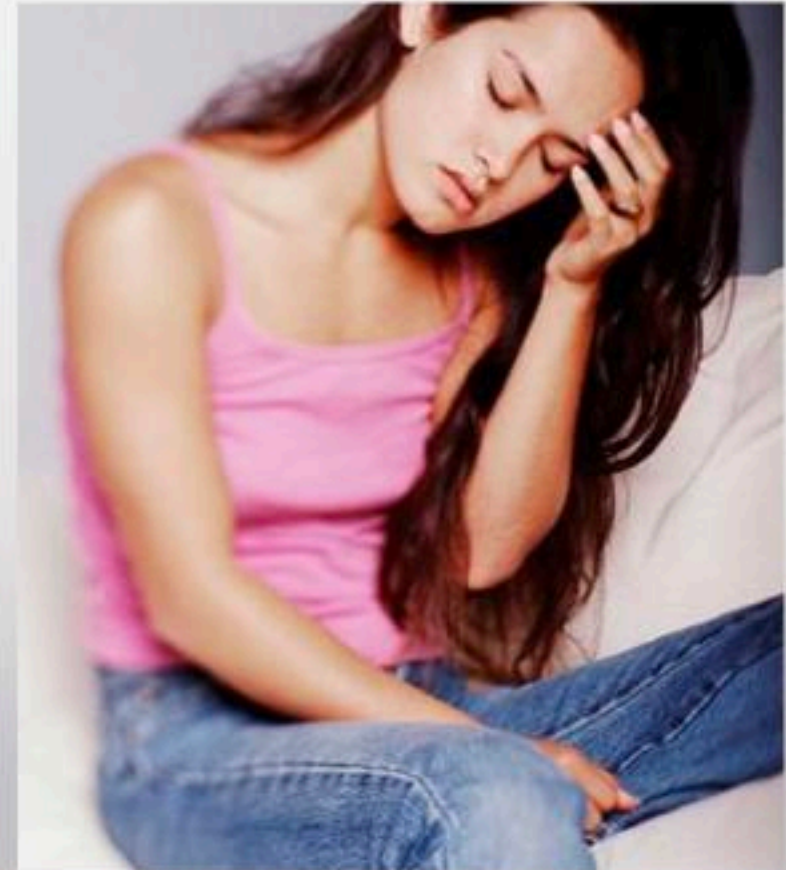
- Parafunctional Clenching
- Parafunctional Grinding
- Occlusal Muscle Dysfunction
- Osteoarthritis
- Acute Sprain
- Acute Closed lock of TMJ disc

5 Common Obstacles

- Neck and Postural Instability
- Wobbly TM Joint (Subluxation)
- Compromised Breathing/Airway
- Avascular Necrosis
- Referred Pain Muscle Triggerpoints

1 TMD that **usually** does not need therapy

- TMJ Clicking



Anterior Stops

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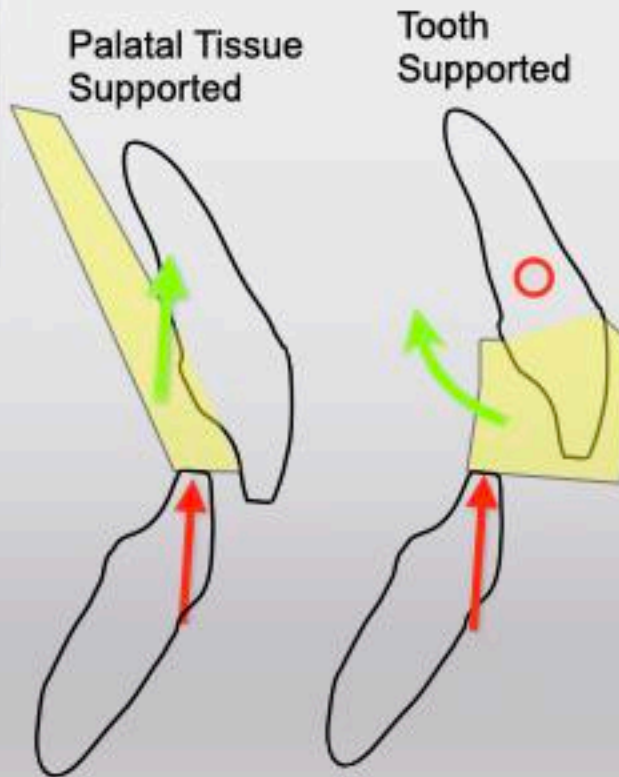
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Anterior Stop Force Distribution: D-PAS vs NTI



D-PAS
Diagnostic Palatal
Anterior Stop

Must be relined



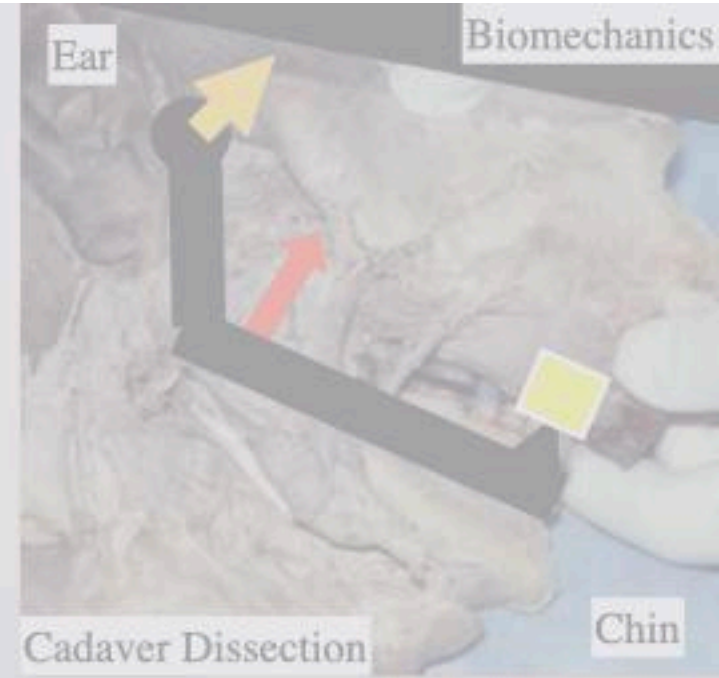
NTI-tss Splint
Nociceptive Trigeminal Inhibition
Tension Suppression System



NTI is tooth supported, hard reline.
Contact causes tooth flexure and rotation
Cranial/Skull unfriendly
Can end up being inhaled or swallowed

Anterior Stop Orthotic 3 Effects

1. Allows Maxilla, Mandible, and Temporal bones to align.
2. Major decrease in muscle contraction force, most patients.
3. Breaks muscle engram avoidance and bracing patterns.



Cadaver Dissection

Chin

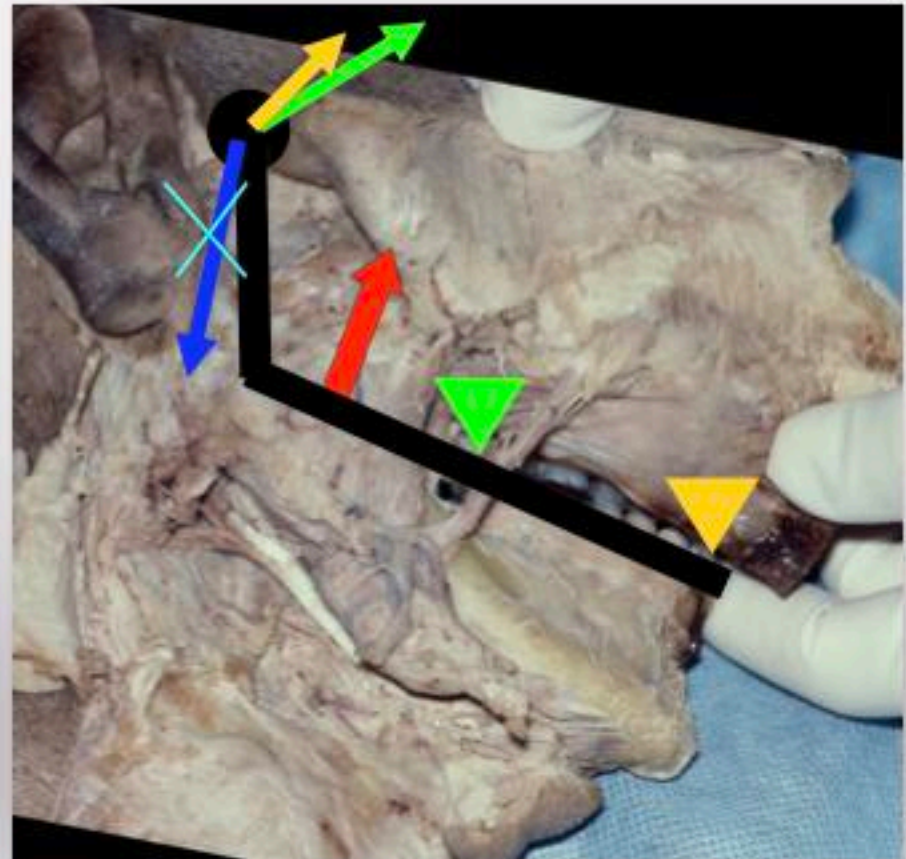
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MM-R	115.4	25.5
MM-L	70.5	6.8



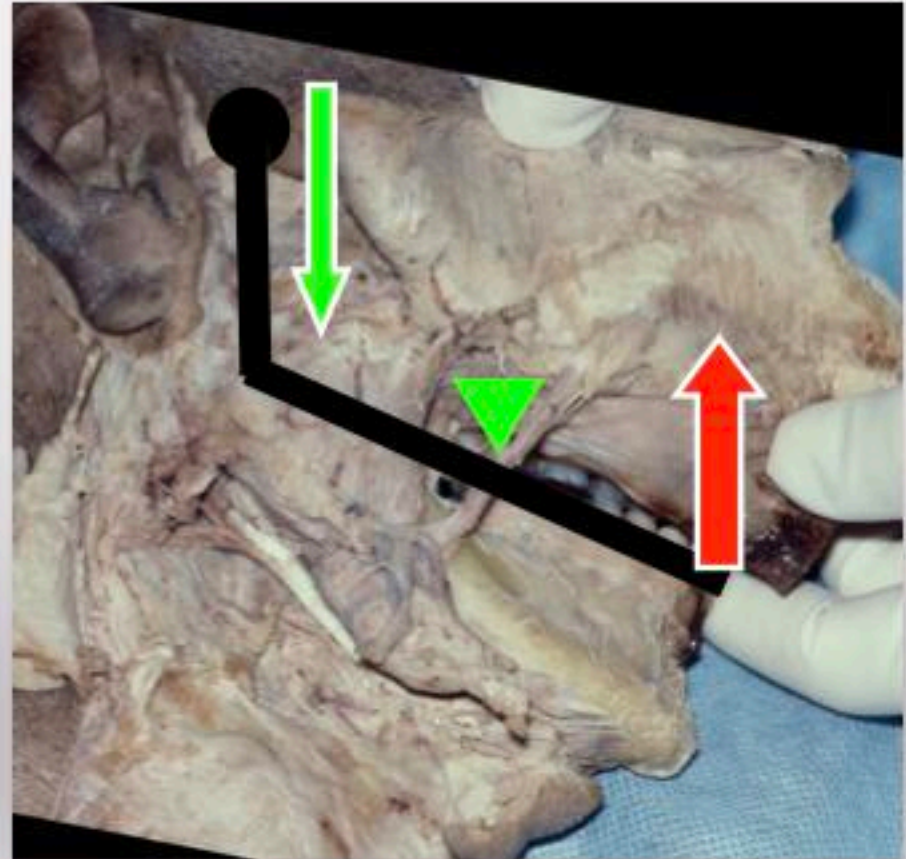
Major decrease in muscle power with D-PAS



Can a Bilateral Pivot distract a condyle downward?



To distract both condyles need force upward in front of the pivot



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World Championships 2021

Jaw and Neck

Motor Engrams: Muscle Contracture Patterns

Functional (to varying degrees)

Protective: Pain Avoidance

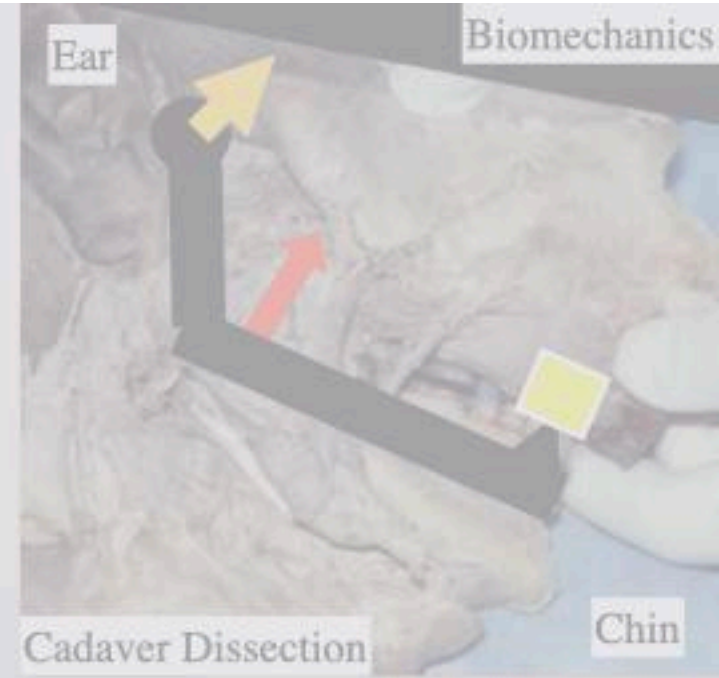
Protective: Bracing Stabilization of Joint

Monfils, M. H. In Search of the Motor Engram: Motor Map Plasticity as a Mechanism for Encoding Motor Experience. *The Neuroscientist* 2005

Lerman MD. The muscle engram: the reflex that limits conventional occlusal treatment. *Cranio*. 2011

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Anterior Stop Orthotics

- Diagnostic Test
- Patient Awareness
- Disease Management
- Bite Recording Tool

APS Airway Bite Anterior Stop 4mm



George Gauge



Airway Metrics



ArrowPath Sleep Airway Bite



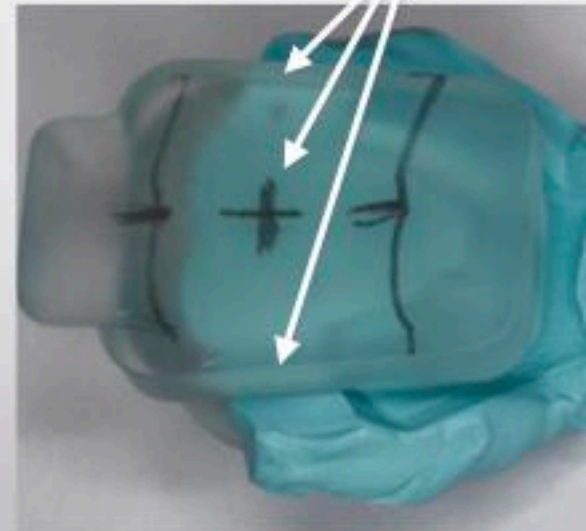
Mark furthest forward and back jaw position and midline with sterile disposable pencil



Measure and mark the amount of protrusive you want to build into the Mandibular Advancement Device

50% is typically a good place to start

Place bonding agent



ArrowPath Sleep Airway Bite



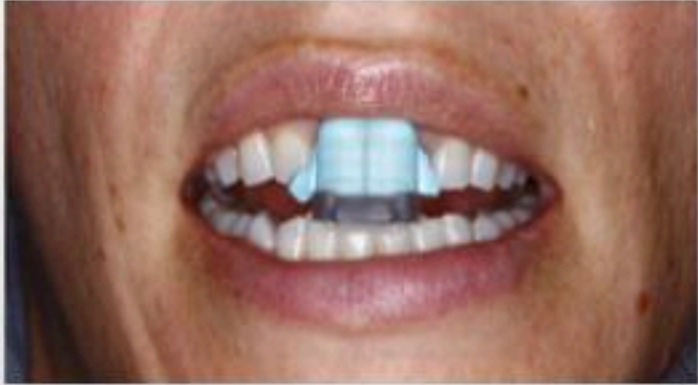
Move jaw into position, verify with tap tap, then flow flowable composite in front of lower incisors, cure.



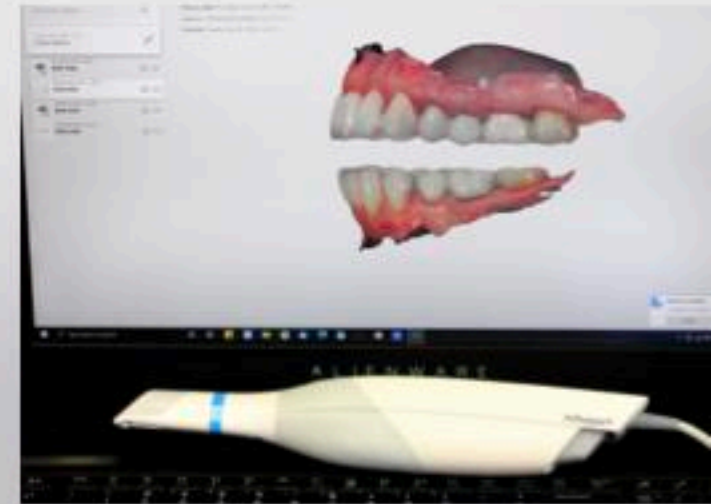
At edge of anterior stop
flow some composite
behind teeth and cure.

Jaw is now held stable in forward position.

ArrowPath Sleep Airway Bite



or take digital scan with
anterior stop in place and
jaw positioned forward



Jaw is held stable in forward position.

Silicone bite
registration
of airway bite





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ArrowPath Sleep
3.9 mm Anterior Stop
Muscle Deprogrammer
Airway bite
Facial Analyzer



Facial Analyzer



Airway bite



Anterior Stop Orthotics

Diagnostic Test

Patient Awareness

Disease Management

Bite Recording Tool

*** Verify muscle inhibition
with anterior only contact
before sending home

APS Home Trial Anterior Stop



Modified Quick Splint



Temporary Anterior Stop Test

Wear for sleep for 1-2 weeks
Limited daytime wear if headache

Better- Decrease Symptoms on Waking

Sleep Clenching or Grinding
Orthotic Improved Airway

Worse- Increase Symptoms

Mechanically Unstable TMJ (Joint subluxation)
Intracapsular Problem TMJ
Orthotic Made Airway Worse

This is a diagnostic test, not treatment



Diagnostic Palatal Anterior Stop

D-PAS Test: Wear for 2 weeks, 24/7, take out to eat

Better- Decrease in Symptoms

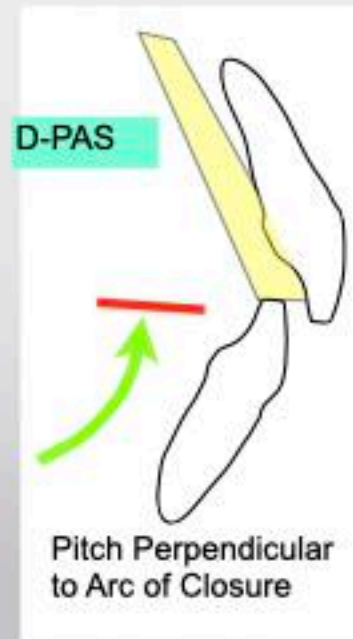
Sleep Clenching Inhibited: Wear D-PAS as night guard
Orthotic Improved Airway: D-PAS as night guard
Occlusal Muscle Disharmony: Occlusal Adjust

Worse- Increase in Symptoms

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Intracapsular Problem TMJ
Orthotic Made Sleep Airway Worse

Stays the Same- No Change in Symptoms

Damaged TMJ are mechanically stable
Pain not related to occlusion



Stapelmann H, Türp JC. The NTI-tss device for the therapy of bruxism, temporomandibular disorders, and headache.....BMC Oral Health. 2008 Jul PMID: 18662411

Lingual Light Wire Arch Expansion LLW

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Lingual Light Wire Orthopedics
LLW

Age 25 female Pre LLW Orthopedics



Age 26

Post LLW Orthopedics



KK

Age 29

Start



Age 30

7 months LLW



Lingual Light Wire Orthopedics Age 50 Male
LLW



Age 51



Age 29F



Anterior Openbite



4 Weeks Later



KK

KK

Age 29

Start



Age 30

7 months LLW



KK

Sectional Ortho



KK

Age 29

Age 32



KK

Pre LLW
Age 29

1st Molar



Age 32 Post LLW

Increase Apex 0.5mm
Increase Coronal 1mm



KK

Pre LLW

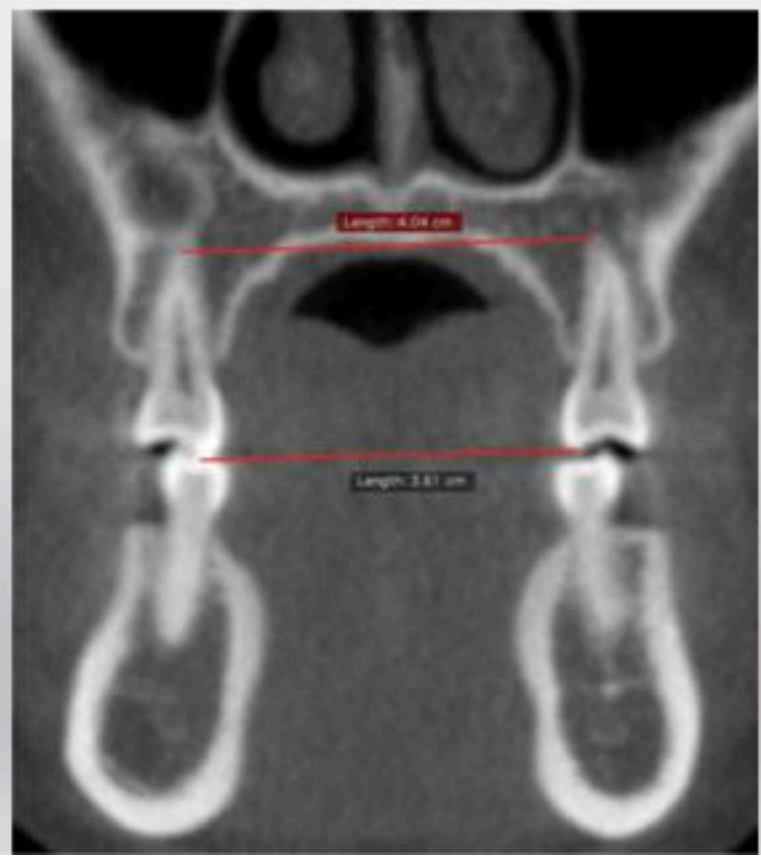
Age 29


2nd Bi



Age 32 Post LLW

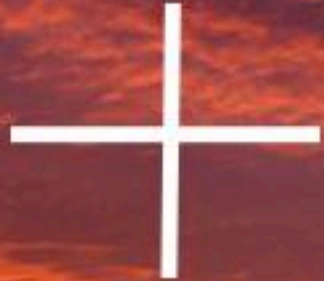
Increase Apex 1mm
Increase Coronal 2.3mm





Know Yourself

Know Your Work



Know Your Patient

Apply Your Knowledge

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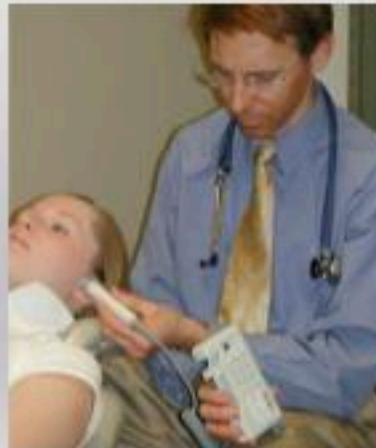
A healthy joint is quiet,
A damage joint is not.

A joint that does not move is also quiet.

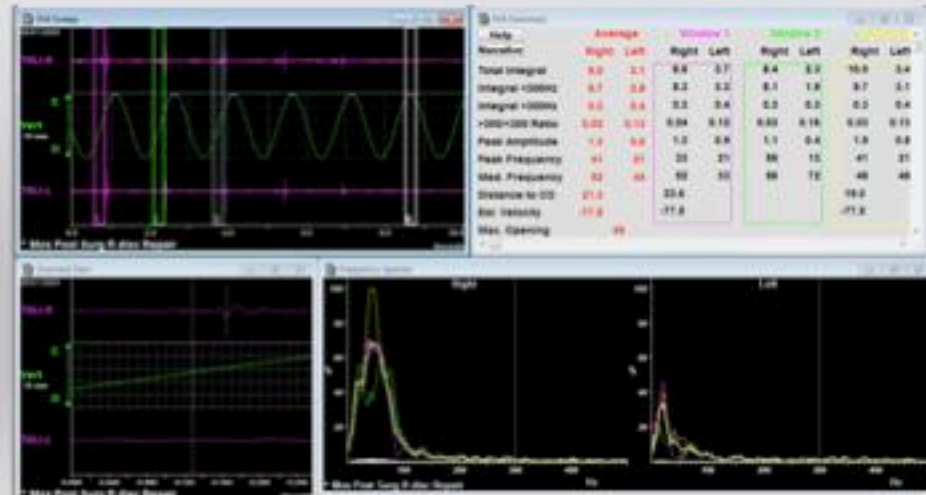
Stethoscope

Doppler - Landmark Healthcare 800-334-5618
 Huntleigh Mini Dopplex 5hz
 Great Lakes Orthodontics 800-828-7626

Joint Vibration Analysis/Jaw Tracker
 BioResearch 800-251-2315



Sounds/ Vibrations



Sounds/ Vibrations Stethoscope



Use Bell side, not Diaphragm side,
over the TMJ

3M Littmann Classic II S.E. Stethoscope

My Subjective Description of Joint Sounds

smooth
paper
sand
pebbles
rocks
glass

fine
med
coarse

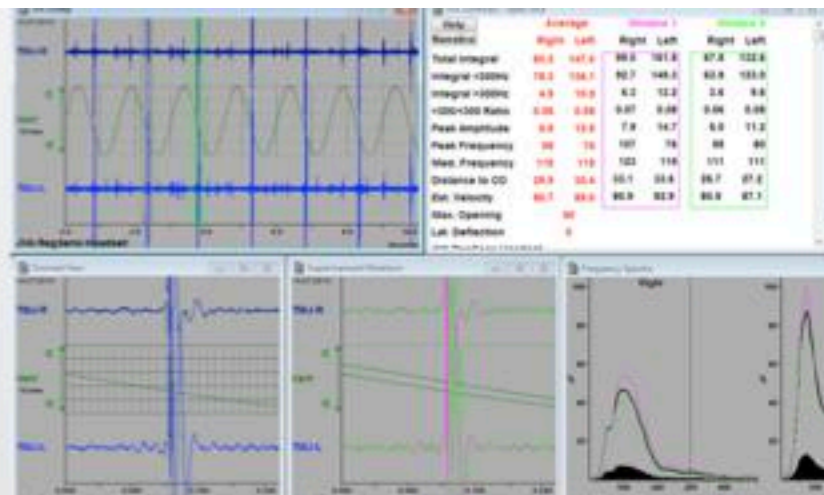
crackle
crunchy
squeaky
scratch

Click
soft
crisp
squishy
early
late
100%
75%
50%
25%
sporadic
??

negative joint movement
minimal joint movement

Joint Vibration Analysis

Objectively measures and quantifies joint vibrations during motion which is an indication of cartilage health



Based on Sonar.
It is not a microphone

Three main types of sounds

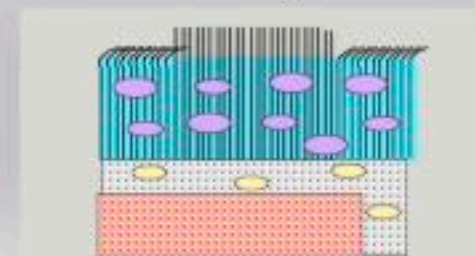


Disc Reduction
Disc Dislocation
Adhesion crackle
tooth tap

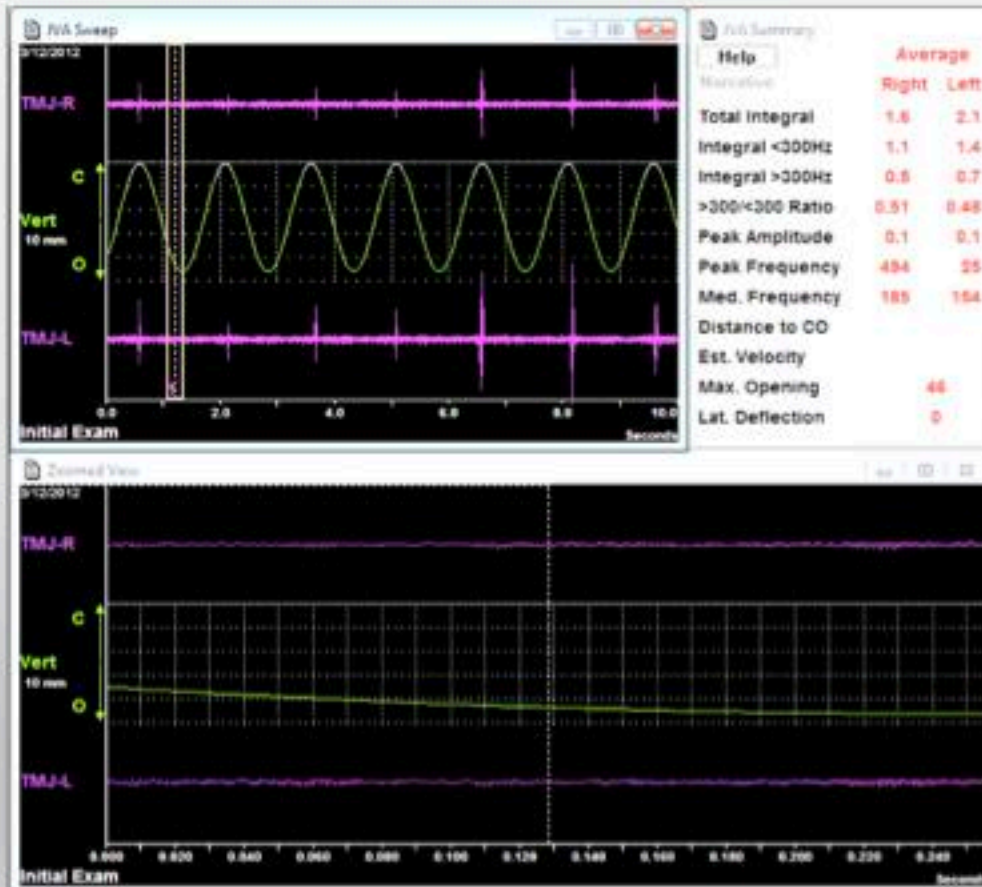
Osteoarthritis
Pseudo Disc
Damaged Cartilage

Disc Subluxation
Joint Subluxation
Disc Reduction
Disc Dislocation

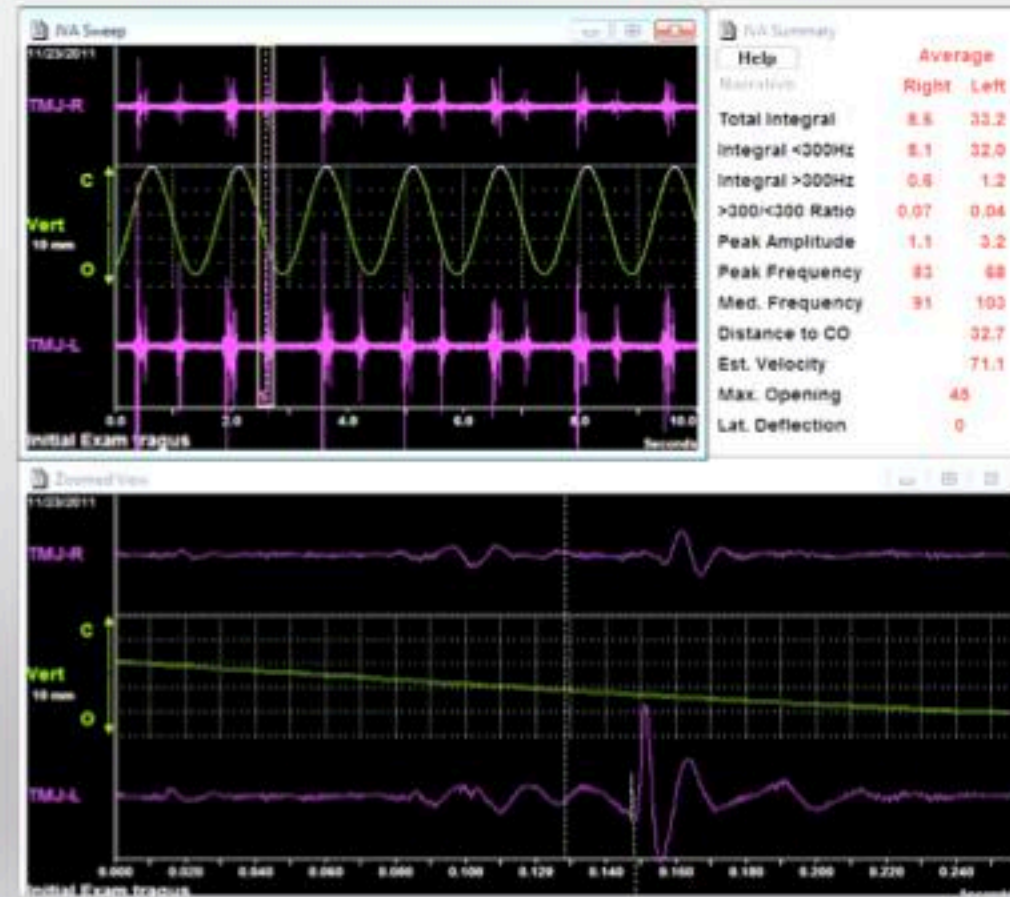
JVA measures the health of the cartilage



Healthy or Damaged?



Healthy or Damaged?



Why is Joint making this vibration?



Good Vibrations
Healthy Cartilage
No Movement



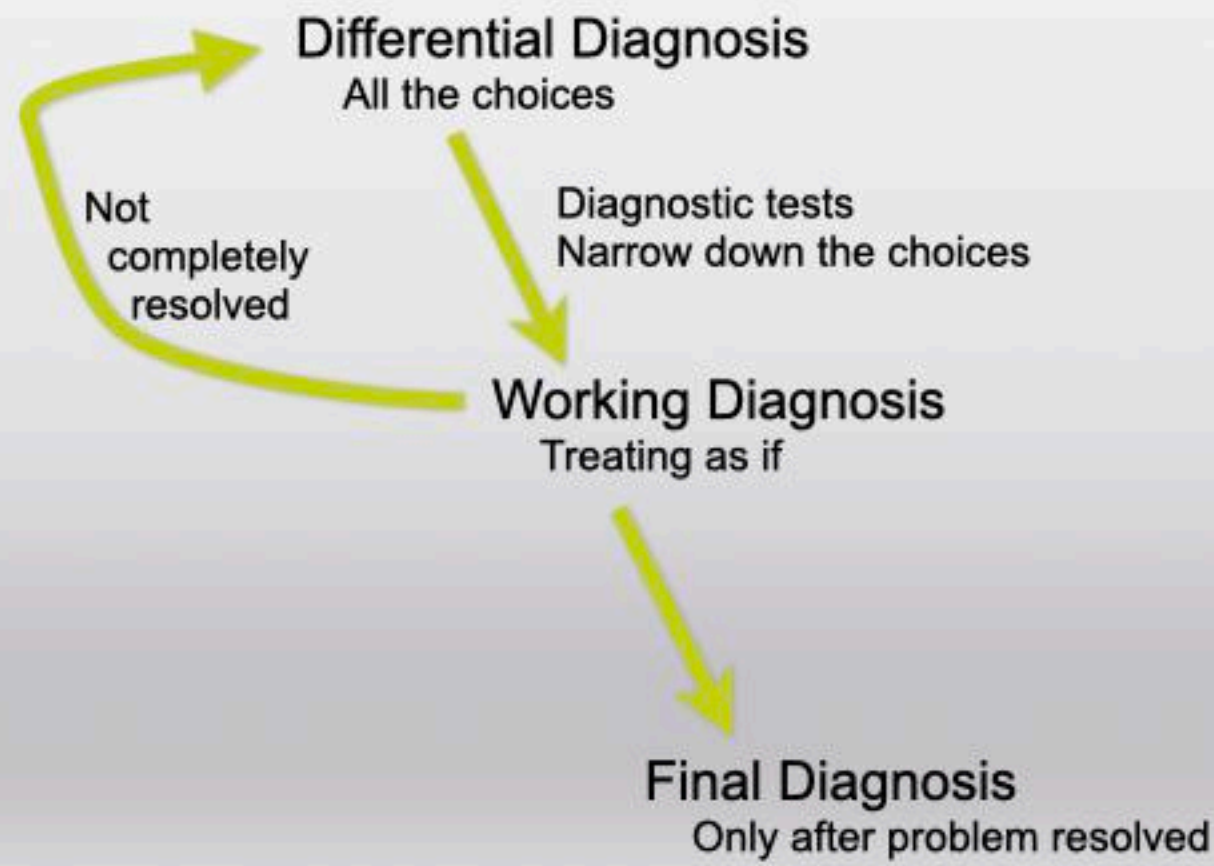
Wobble
Disc Dislocation
Disc Reduction
Disc subluxation
Joint subluxation
Condyle bumps Disc
Sensor roll on face



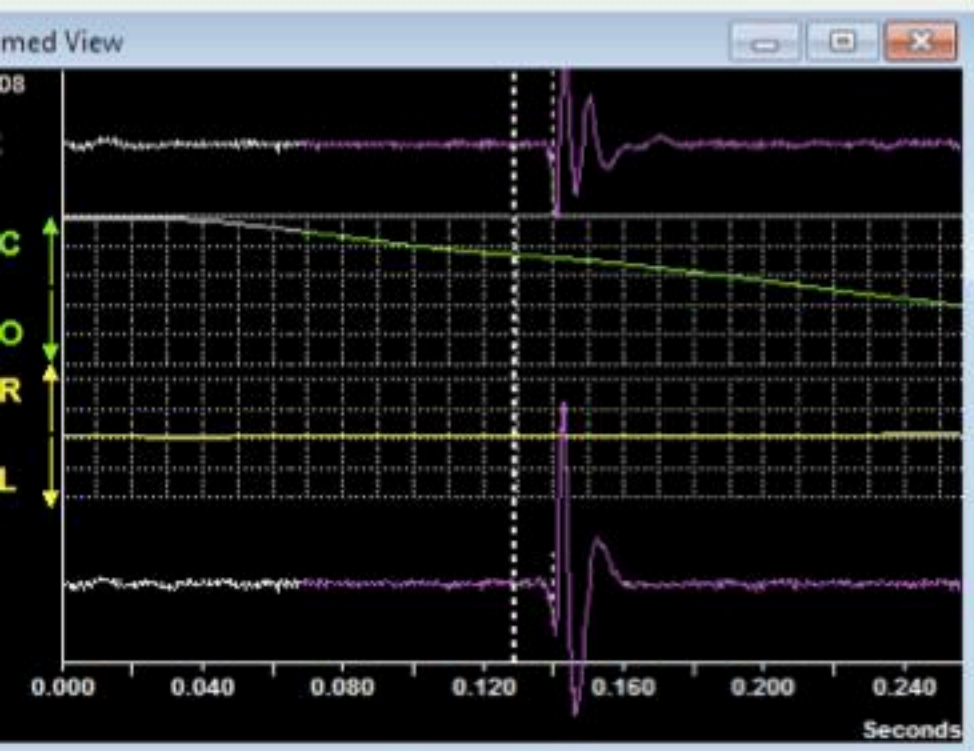
Click
Disc Reduction
Disc Dislocation
Adhesion Crackle
Tooth Tap
Contralateral Transference



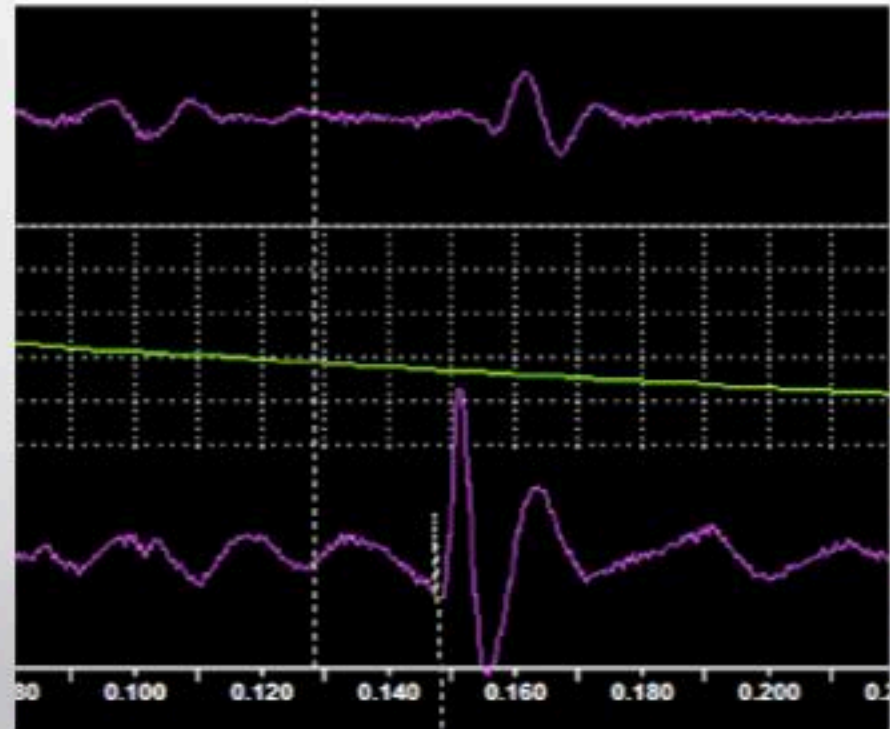
Scratch
Cartilage Fibrillation
Cartilage against tissue
Bone against bone
Velcro Noise



Simple or Complex



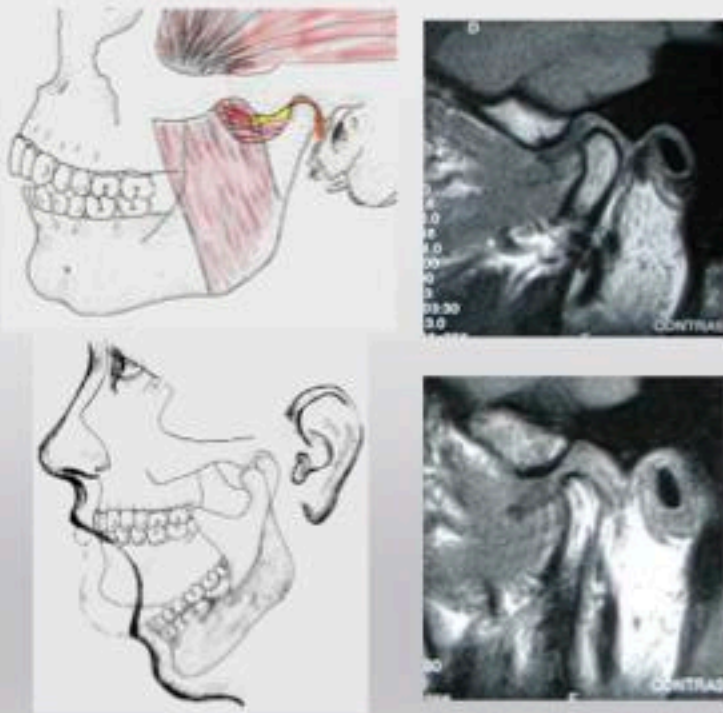
Simple left click with transference vibration to right
L4a



Complex Click
L3a, R4b

Magnetic Resonance Imaging

MRI gives you the start and finish
You have to infer what happened in between



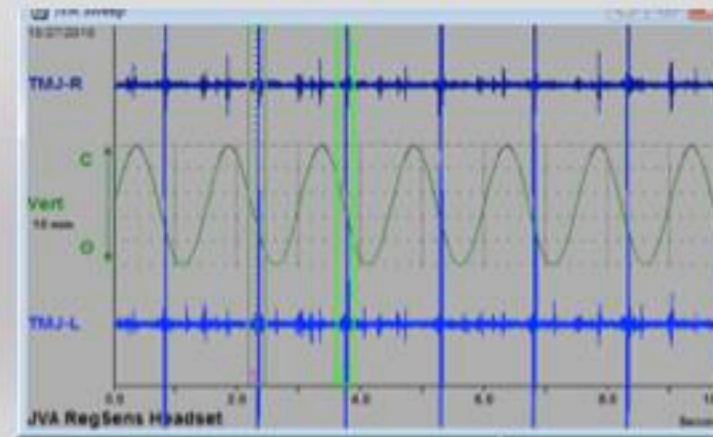
Joint Vibration Analysis

JVA gives you what happens in between
open and closed. It records "motion".
You then infer the start and finish



JVA records *Objectively* the vibrations of
the TMJ as you open and close.
Ability to compare from year to year.

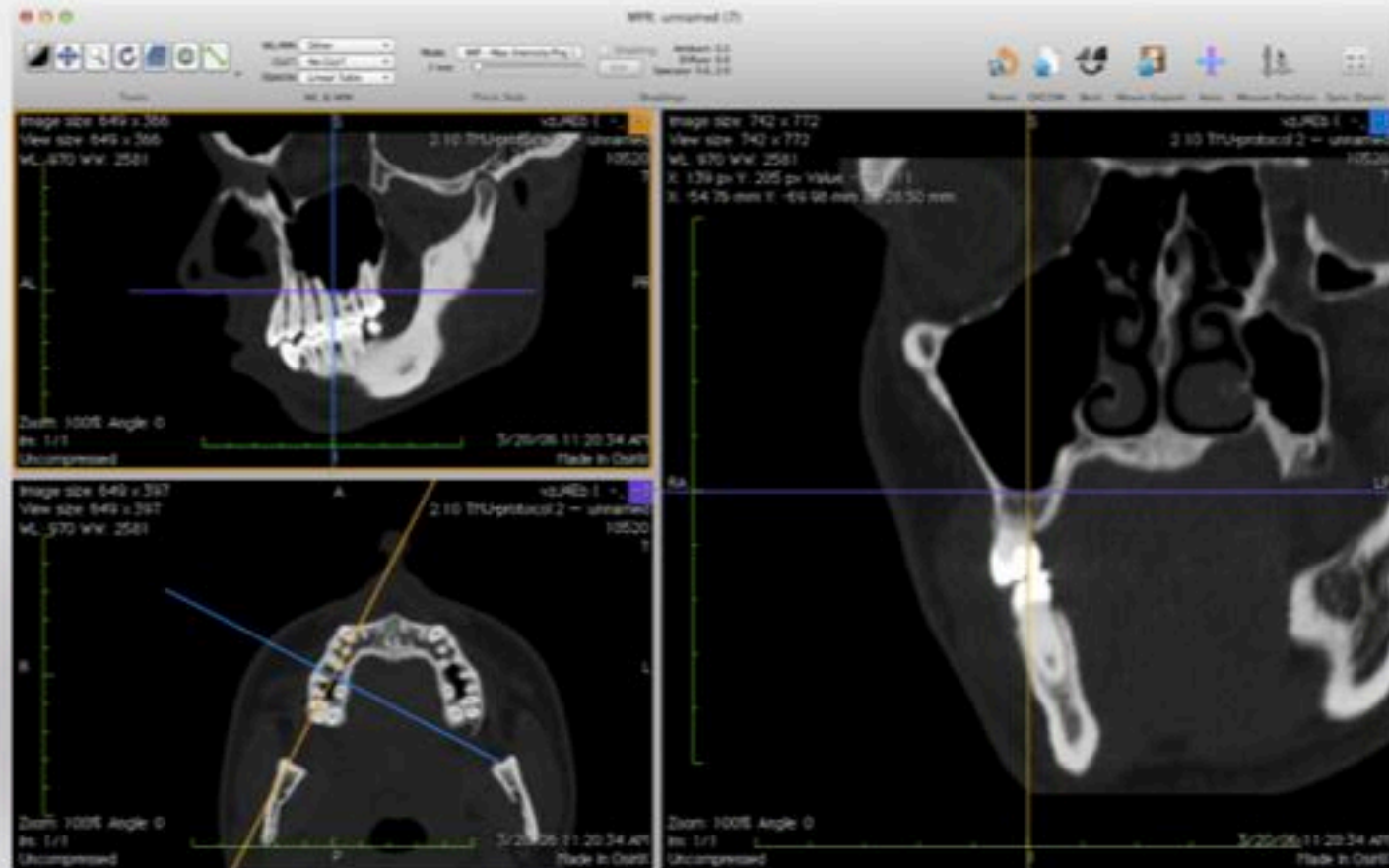
JVA allows you to view
the joint in function



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Normal TMJ- Bone

Bone Density

Intact Cortex

Even pattern Trabecular bone

Normal Size/Shape Condyle/Fossa

Ovoid Condylar Shape

Non-Congruent Condyle/Fossa

Condyle 70% Size Fossa

Condyle Centered in Fossa

Coronal and Sagittal

Room for Disc

Stable CR load Zone

Condyle closest to fossa

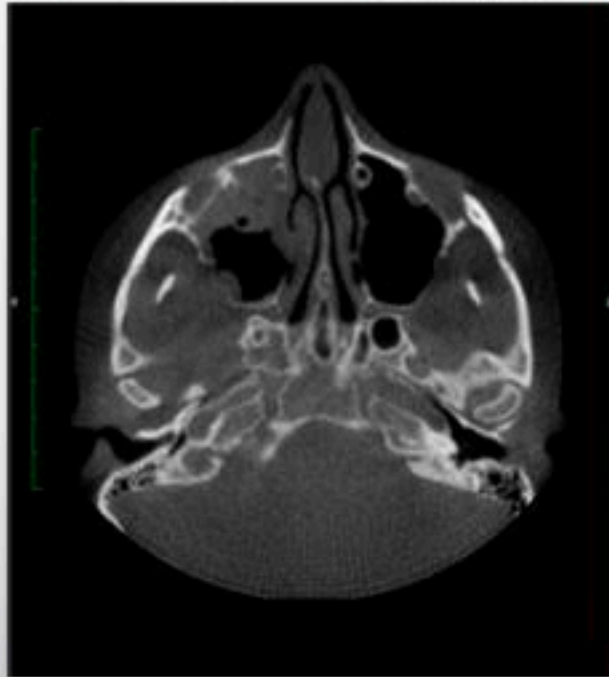
CT Scan
Coronal View



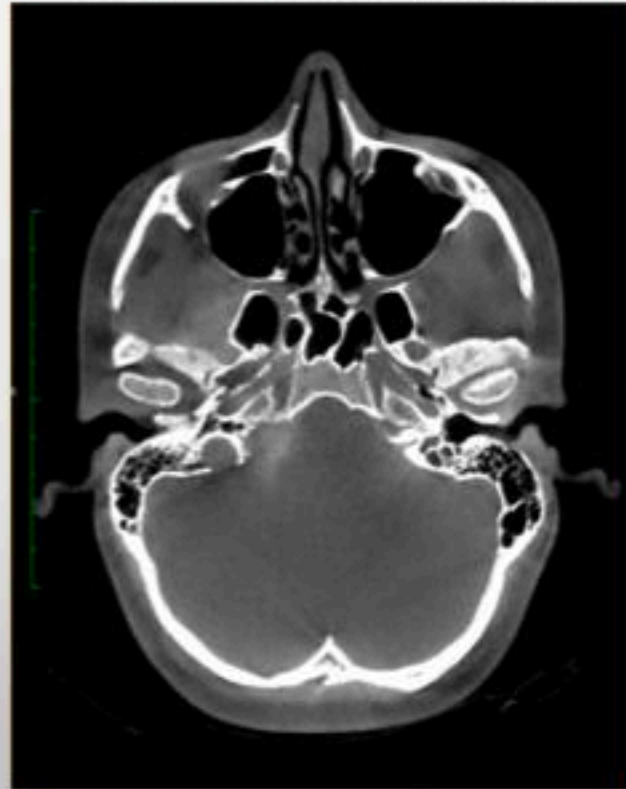
CT Scan
Sagittal View

Compare CT scans

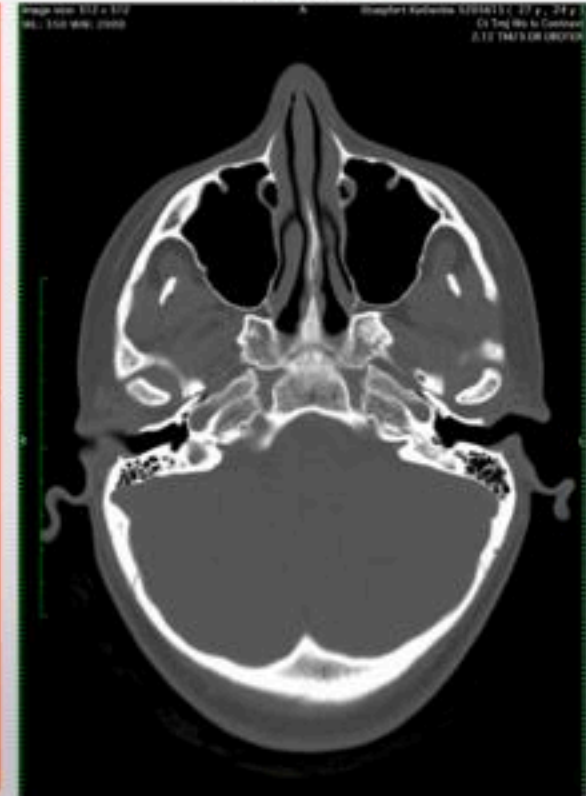
CBCT- iCAT



CBCT- Vatech i3D Premium



Spiral CT



Best Contrast
Much more radiation

Interpreting CBCT

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Review of Scan: CBCT

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Name _____ Scan Date _____

Review Date: _____
Scan Quality: Good Fair Marginal

How to quickly scroll through axial, coronal, and sagittal for global impressions:

Right TMJ *Small Coronal Sagittal and Coronal Coronal*

Condyle: Normal Size Small condylar disc
 Normal Shape Abnormal condylar shape
 Cortex Intact Cortex not intact
 Cortex Even Hypertrophia

Fossa: Normal Size Small fossa size
 Normal Shape Flattened fossa shape
 Cortex Intact Cortex not intact

Condyle Position Centered in fossa Condyle distalized
 Joint spacing Room for disc No room for disc
 CR Lead Zone Superior medial Superior Lateral

Estimate Piper: R1 R2 R3a R3b R4a R4b R5a R5b
 Right TMJ Health: Healthy Damaged Active Degeneration Adapting Adapted

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Swelling *Coronal View, Sagittal View, Axial View*

All Tissues Right = Left = Except _____
 Look for cancer Brain, Muscle, Parotid Submand Gland, Hypertrophy

All Bones Right = Left = Except _____
 Look for hypercalcified or radiolucant areas, cysts

Mand *(Sagittal, Cor)* Open Restricted Divided Segments
 Sinuses Clear Thickened Lining Dense Polyps
 Airway Adequate Restricted
 Teeth *(Sagittal, Cor)* No PNP PNP # _____
(Axial) No Gross Caries

Perio *(Thick Sagittal)* No Gross Perio Bone Loss

Axis Appears Centered Not Level with Skull Base
 C2, C3, C4 Aligned Misaligned

Max Mand Relation Normal Sagittal Retrognathia Maxilla Mandible
 Max Mand Casting Normal Coronal Asymmetric Cast Maxilla Mandible

Impression: _____

Signature: _____

Review of Scan: CT/CBCT Guide

TMJ

Condyle

Fossa

Normal Size, Normal Shape, Cortex Intact
 Condyle is 30% size of the fossa with an oval shape. The condyle and fossa are noncongruent convex surfaces. The outer cortex of bone is a solid continuous line with no breaks. Look for areas of hypertrophia which are indicative of excess load in that area or damage and repair. The right and left TMJ should be the same size.

Condylar Position

Centered in fossa

The condyle should be centered in the fossa. A distalized condyle is indicative of either joint damage and disc dislocation anteriorly or heavy anterior tooth contact. An anteriorly positioned condyle is indicative of a large CR/CO discrepancy usually associated with an adapted mandibular retractor.

Joint Spacing

Centered in fossa

There should be room to "draw" a disc between the condyle and fossa.

CR Lead Zone (Centric Relation Lead Zone)

Superior medial

Ideally the condyle in its optimal load bearing position (Centric Relation) should load on the superior medial surface. In the coronal view the area where the condyle is closest to the fossa is the Centric Relation Lead Zone. A series of normal, i.e. both condyles load on the superior lateral surface. If the lead zones of the right and left do not match (i.e. one is medial the other lateral) this is indicative of joint damage and disc dislocation. Need to evaluate for joint mechanical stability (joint wobble) with a D-PM. Clinically these patients may have a hypertrophia "bite".

Estimate Piper

This estimation combines clinical data from the clinical history, exam, joint palpation, microscope visualization, Doppler (JA) (Joint Vibration Analysis) and the CT scan. If the joint see a left distalized condyle and no clicking in either a Piper 4b or a health joint distalized due to heavy anterior contact (usually isotropic), in the case of the 4b, JA would show some slight "scratch vibrations", whereas a health TMJ distalized due to occlusion would show "smooth vibrations", and clinically have fremitus on the anterior teeth.

1. Normal joint: PMJ and CR are normal (See all above). No joint sounds, full range of motion, JA no vibrations, quiet Doppler.

2. The TMJ is damaged but disc is still in place so MRI and CT are normal. Usually the cartilage is damaged, roughened from parafunctional bruxing. Doppler and JA will both indicate slight vibrations. A well adapted 4b will also have the same vibratory signals as a Piper 2, but the 4b will show changes in condylar position on the CBCT, and the PMJ will show the disc dislocation.

3. This is a partial dislocation of the disc, usually in an anterior medial direction with the lateral ligament being taut or stretched. The joint reduces on opening and will make a vibration, either a click or wobble on JN, if a Ja is opposite a health joint there is not a change in occlusion so CT is normal. A Piper 3a is often contralateral to a 4b. With loss of the opposing disc, the mandible shifts coronally, the CR lead zone changes in both joints leading to 3a.

- 3a. Same as above except nonloading and therefore no clicking vibration. CT is normal.

4. The disc is fully displaced off the head of the condyle and reduces on opening. There will be a shifting of the mandible which can be seen on the CBCT. Condyle not centered in fossa. Clinically there will "click or wobble" vibration as the disc returns and subluxates. While most vibrations are in the audible range some may not be. These will be detected with JN.
- 4b. The disc is fully displaced off the head of the condyle and does not reduce on opening. This will look the same on CBCT as a 4a. Condyle not centered in fossa. While limited opening may occur, many can have a full range of motion. Range of motion should not be a sole determining factor on whether a joint is 4b.

- 5a. Osteoarthritis. There will be changes to the condylar shape and cortex seen on the CBCT. Osteoarthritis is the inflammatory phase of Osteoarthrosis. Look for missing cortex indicative of active degeneration. The joint will be tender to palpation. An MRI is helpful in detecting extent of inflammation.

- 5b. Osteoarthrosis. There will be changes to the condylar shape and cortex seen on the CBCT. The Cortex however will be intact and the joint will not be tender to palpation. Hypertrophia will be seen having reinforced the damaged area. There is a loss of congruency as the condyle and fossa wear down and become flattened. Parafunctional tooth grinding increases OA bone wear.

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First do quick scroll through axial, coronal, and sagittal for global impression.

Right TMJ

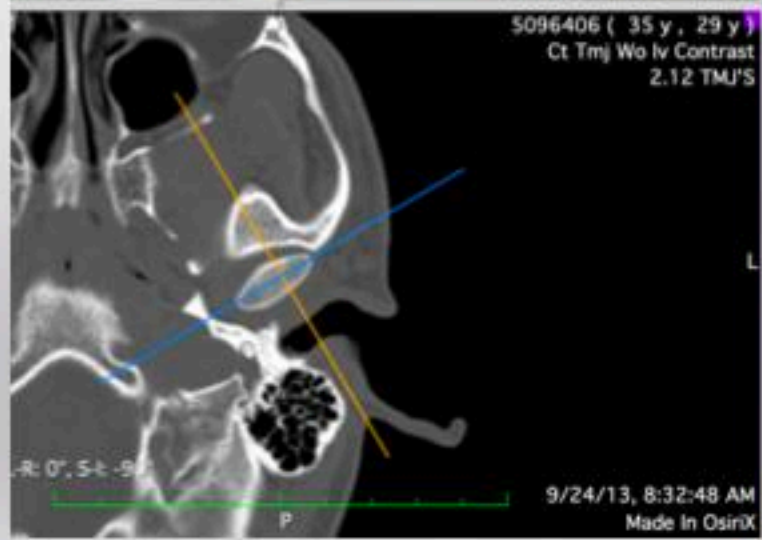
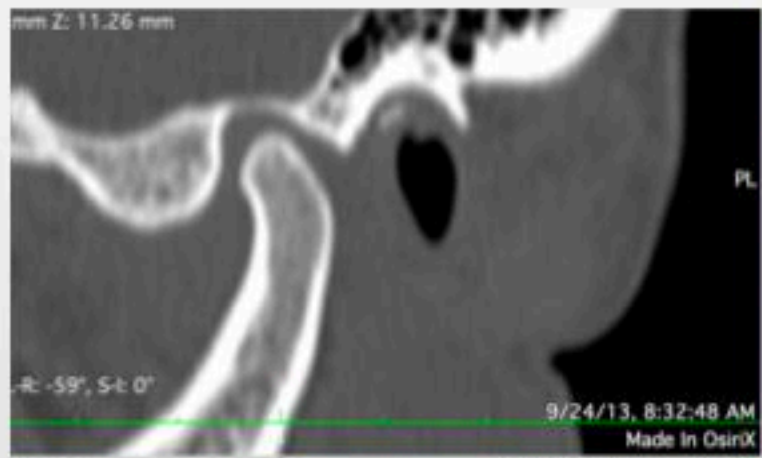
Scroll Corrected Sagittal and Corrected Coronal

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| | <input type="checkbox"/> Cortex Intact | <input type="checkbox"/> Cortex not intact | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Cortex Even | <input type="checkbox"/> Hypercalcification | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Fossa: | <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Size | <input type="checkbox"/> Small fossa size | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Shape | <input type="checkbox"/> Flattened fossa shape | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Cortex Intact | <input type="checkbox"/> Cortex not intact | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Condyle Position | <input type="checkbox"/> Centered in fossa | <input type="checkbox"/> Condyle distalized | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Joint spacing | <input type="checkbox"/> Room for disc | <input type="checkbox"/> No room for disc | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| CR Load Zone | <input type="checkbox"/> Superior medial | <input type="checkbox"/> Superior Lateral | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Estimate Piper: | R1 R2 R3a R3b | R4a R4b R5a R5b | |
| Right TMJ Health: | <input type="checkbox"/> Healthy | <input type="checkbox"/> Damaged | <input type="checkbox"/> Active Degeneration |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Adapting | <input type="checkbox"/> Adapted |

CT Left Piper 2 from MRI

- Condyle:
 - Normal Size
 - Normal Shape
 - Cortex Intact
 - Cortex Even
- Fossa:
 - Normal Size
 - Normal Shape
 - Cortex Intact
- Condyle Position
 - Centered in fossa
- Joint spacing
 - Room for disc
- CR Load Zone
 - Superior medial

- Hypercalcification
- Condyle distalized
- Superior Lateral



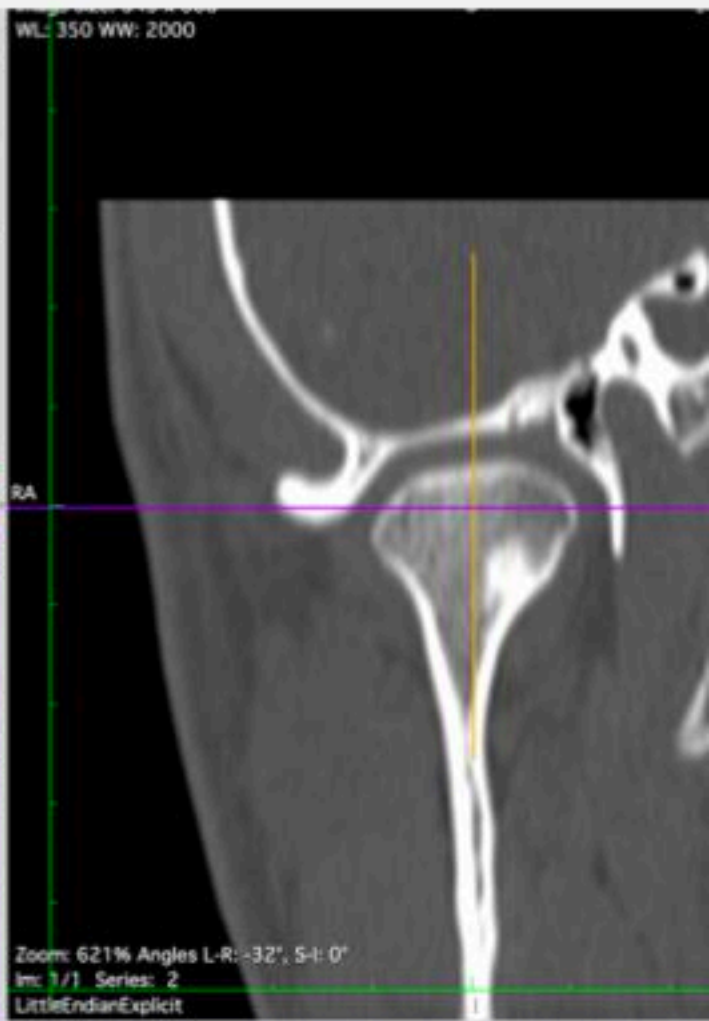
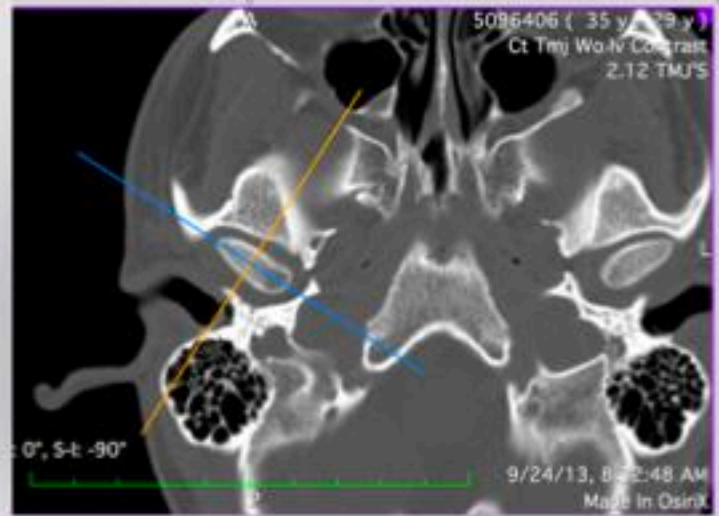
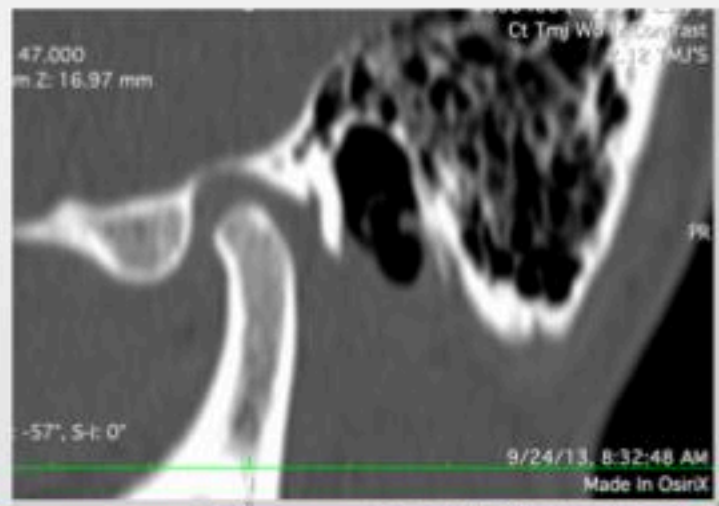
CT Right Piper 4a-e from MRI

- Condyle:
 - Normal Size
 - Normal Shape
 - Cortex Intact
 - Cortex Even
- Fossa:
 - Normal Size
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 - Cortex Intact
- Condyle Position Centered in fossa
- Joint spacing Room for disc
- CR Load Zone Superior medial

Hypercalcification

Superior Lateral

Note: Large joint space



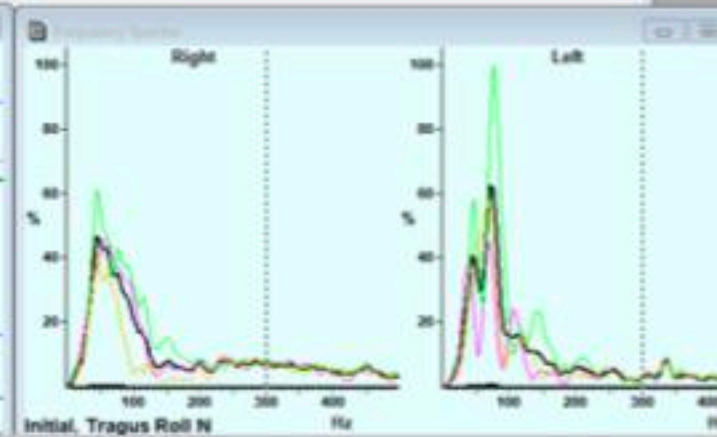
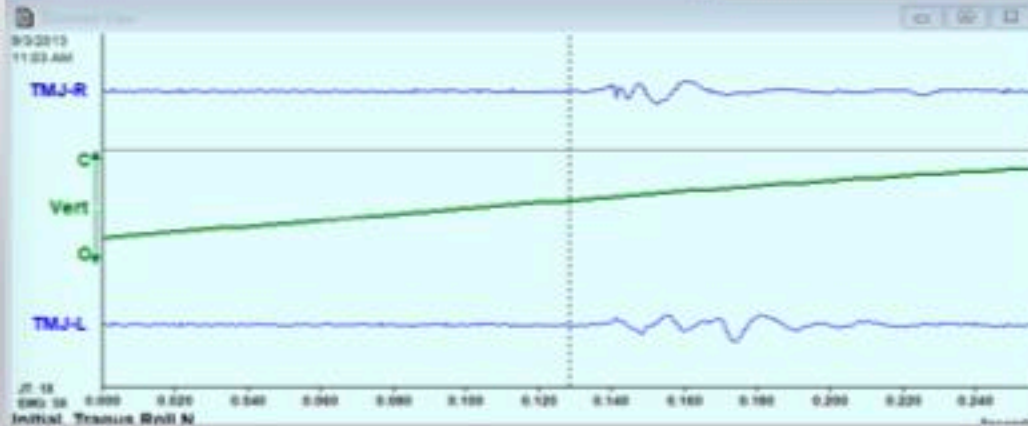
Slight Wobble
before tooth
contact

Joint
subluxation
on movement



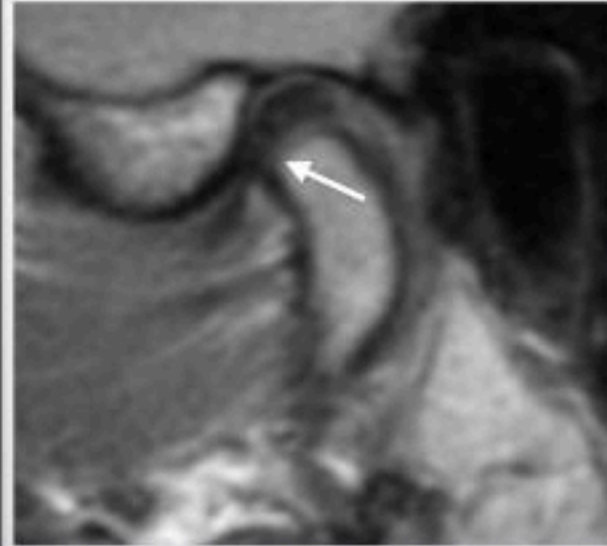
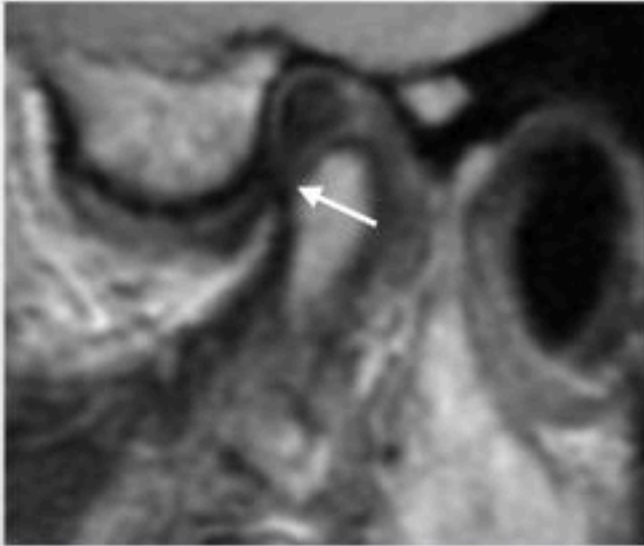
Clinical
Relevance?

Early damage
from
parafunction



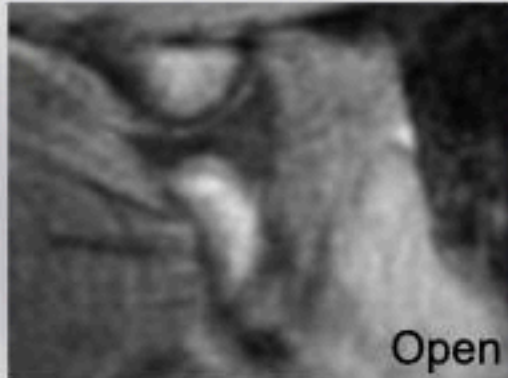
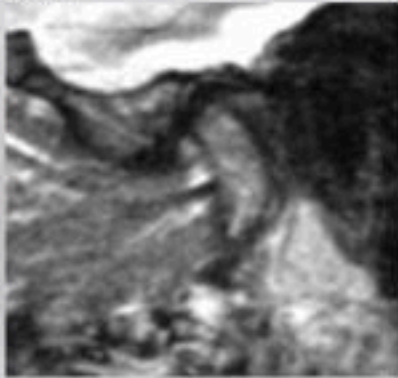
MRI
R4a-e, L2

Right
PD Closed

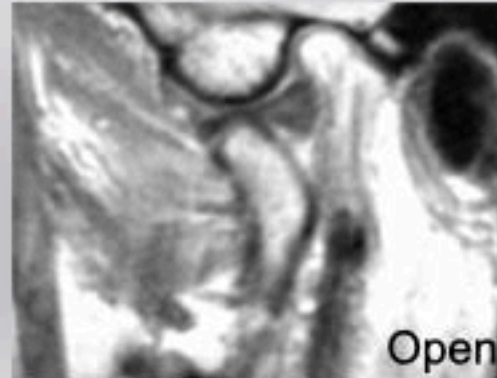


Left
PD Closed

Stir



Stir

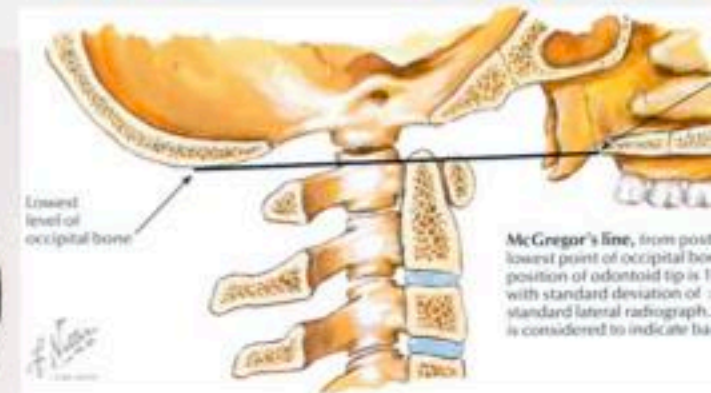
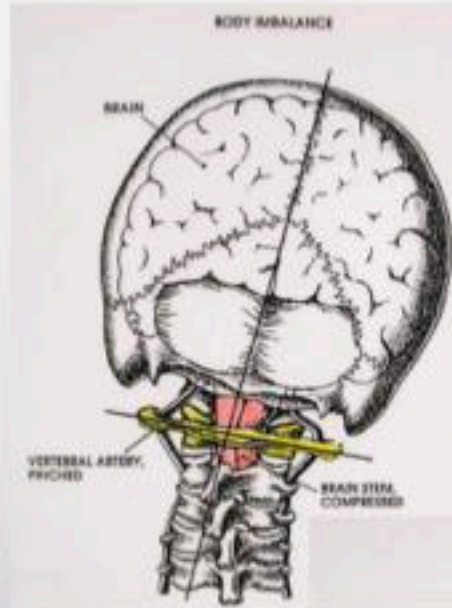
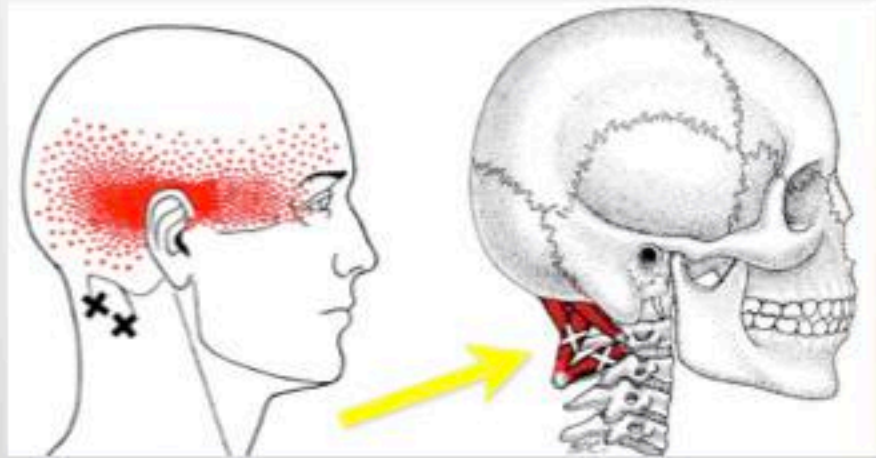


Atlas

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What is this knot of muscle at base of skull?
Will neck alignment affect jaw alignment?



Skull is 10 lbs supported
by occiput on atlas

My observations years ago:

Could not get rid of the suboccipital knot, no matter what tx.

While most OMD patients improved with occlusal therapies, some had persisting neck symptoms

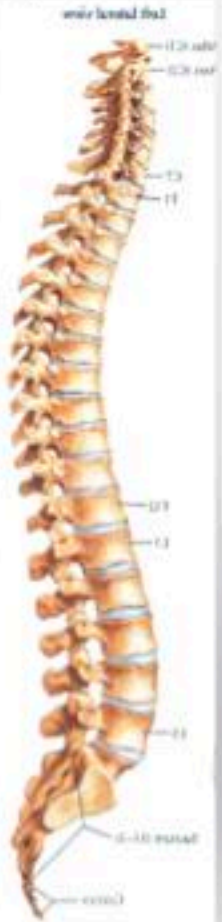
Migraines managed but not eliminated with medication and ideal occlusion

Suboccipital acupuncture helped some migraines

Treatments tried in past to eliminate suboccipital knot: Physical Therapy, TENS, Ultrasound, Neck Manipulation by PT, Massage, Triggerpoint Injections, Acupuncture- Suboccipital, Chiropractic, CR Appliance followed by Equilibration

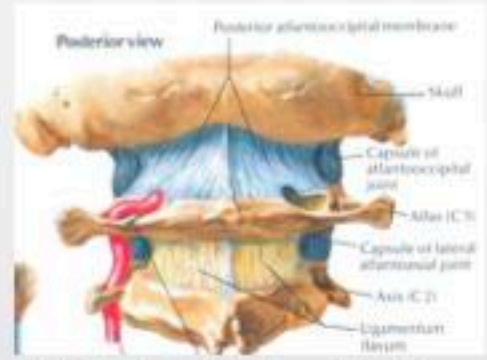
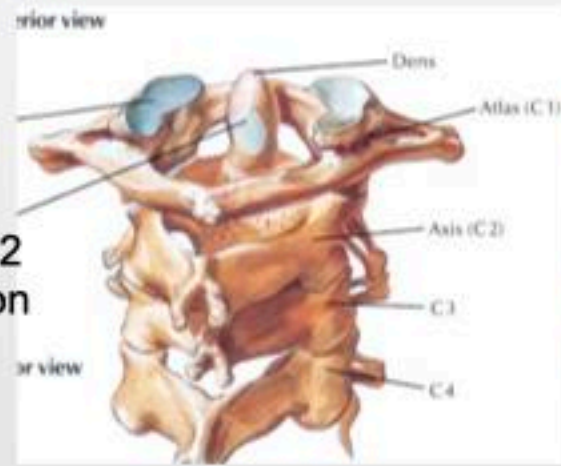
Atlas (C1)

Top bone of spinal cord supports the skull



No disc C1-C2
Allows Rotation

Discs are Hyaline Cartilage
Fibrous union: 8° rotation

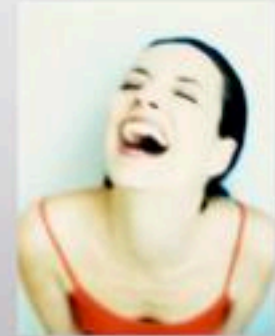


Atlas is attached to the skull by ligaments



Rotation:

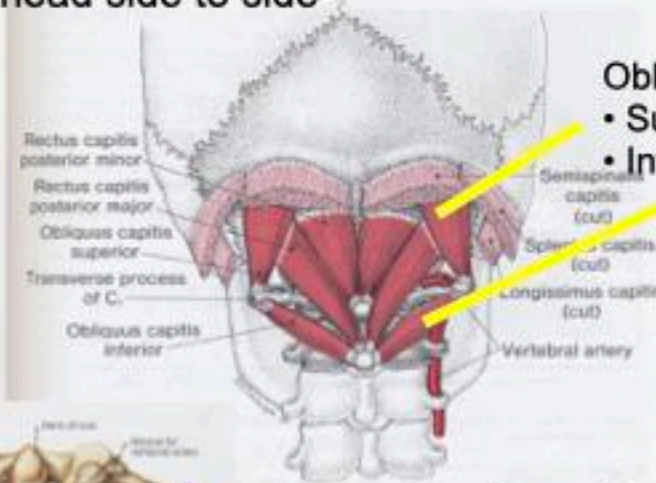
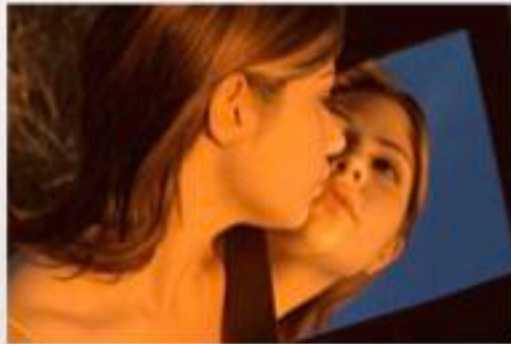
Atlas to skull	4°
C1 to C2	160°
C2 to C3	8°
all others	8°



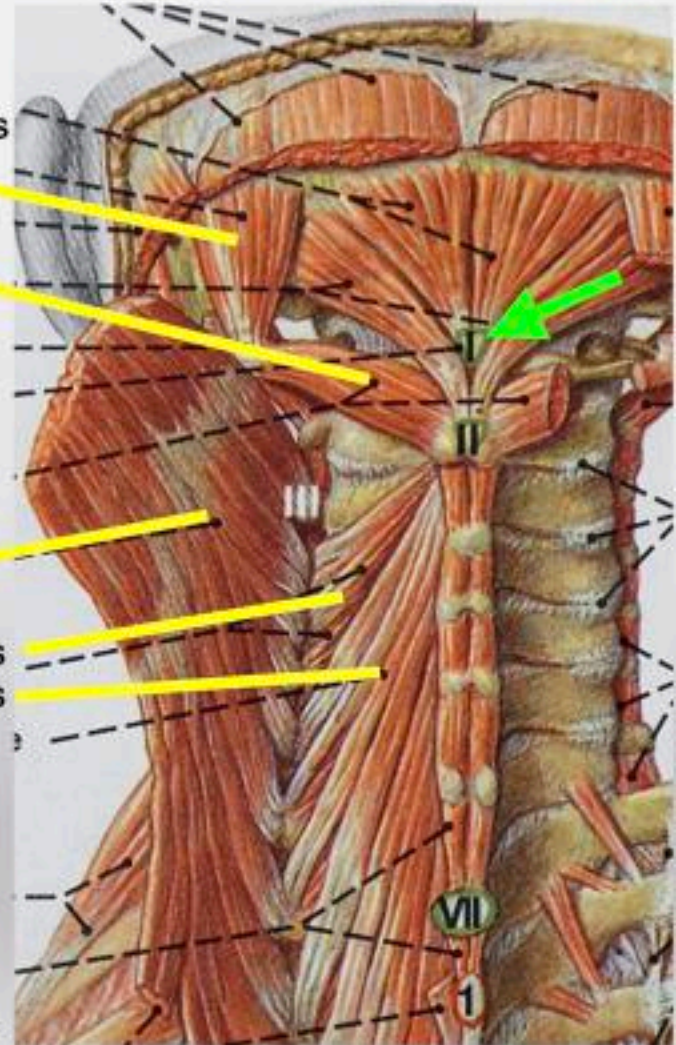
Flex-Extend:

Atlas to skull	25°
C1 to C2	20°
C2 to C3	12°

C1/C2 allows you to turn your head side to side



Oblique Capitus
 • Superior
 • Inferior



Semispinalis Capitis

Multifidus
 Semispinalis Cervicis

Atlas spinal process
 not attached
 to a lower
 transverse process

From Clemente's Anatomy Book

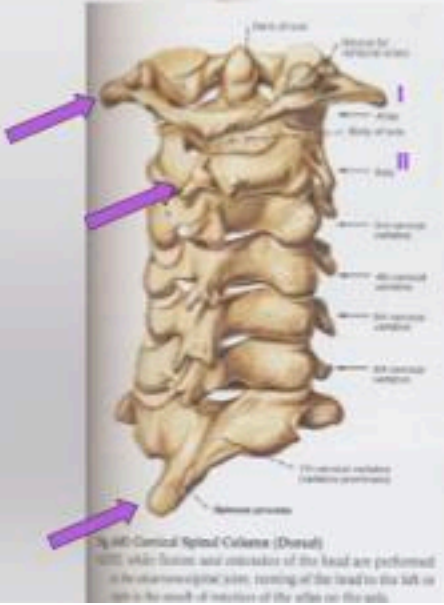
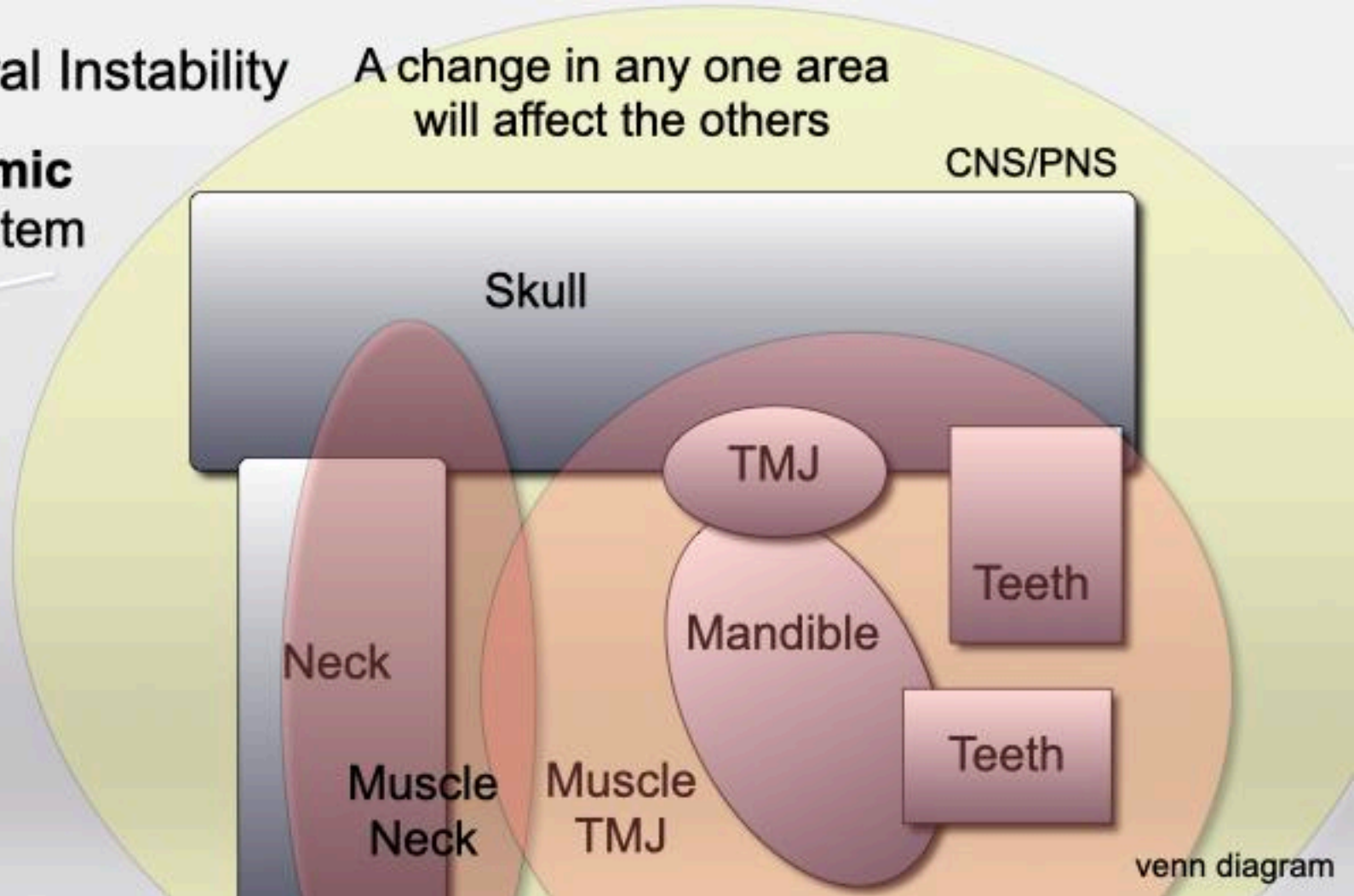
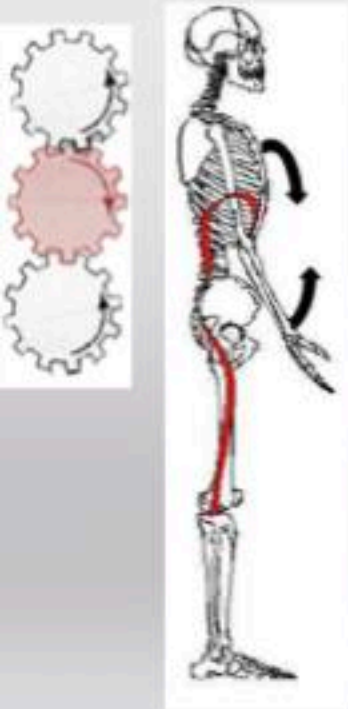


Fig. 107 Cervical Spinal Column (Dorsal)
 Note: while flexion and extension of the head are performed in the coronal plane, turning of the head to the left or right is the result of rotation of the atlas on the axis.

Neck and Postural Instability

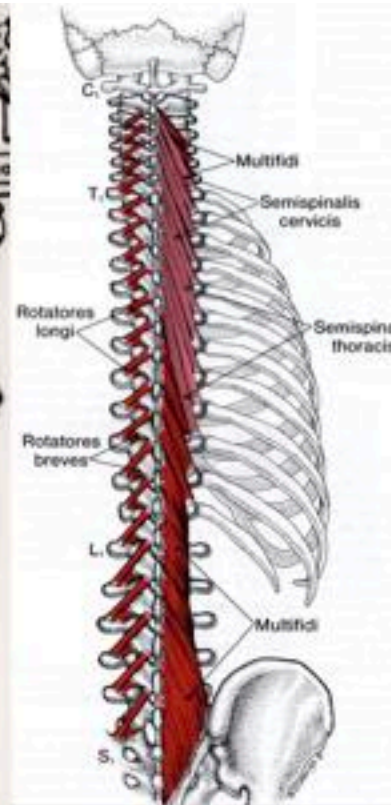
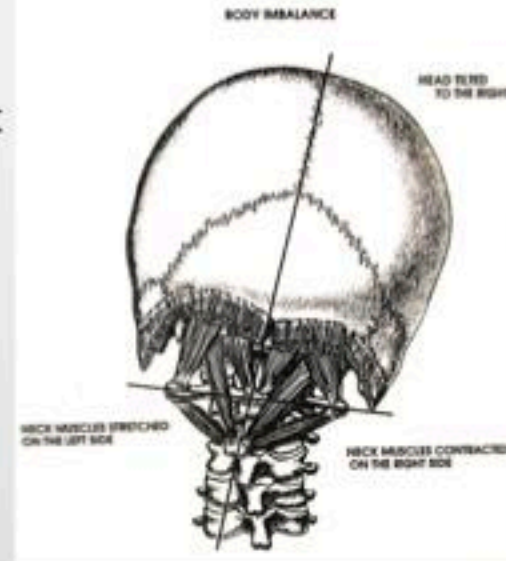
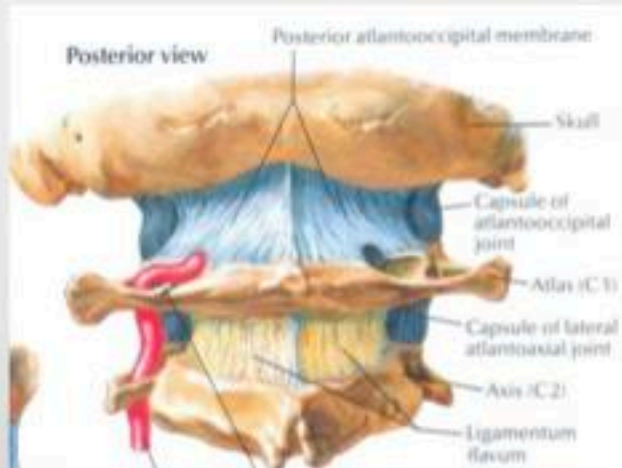
A change in any one area will affect the others

This is a **dynamic** orthopedic System



Atlas Subluxation

Trauma tears or stretches C1/ Skull ligament



Atlas Subluxation causes muscle bracing throughout the whole spinal muscle complex. One hip will be elevated giving the appearance of a short leg.

A change in any one area will affect the others
This is a dynamic orthopedic System

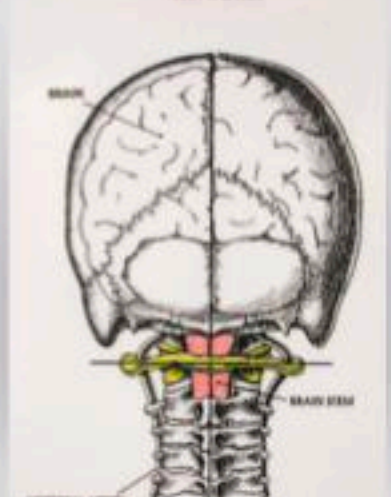
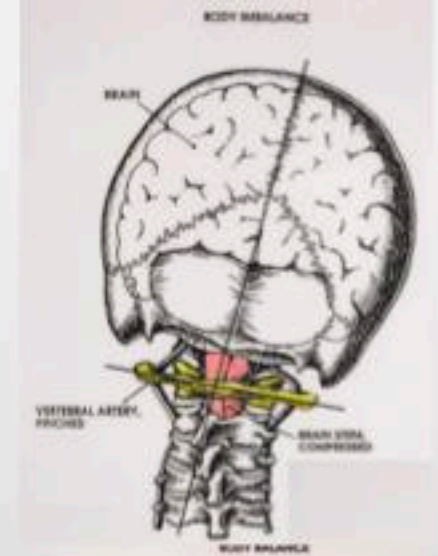
Atlas Orthogonal Adjustment

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Atlas Orthogonist
Branch of Chiropractic Medicine

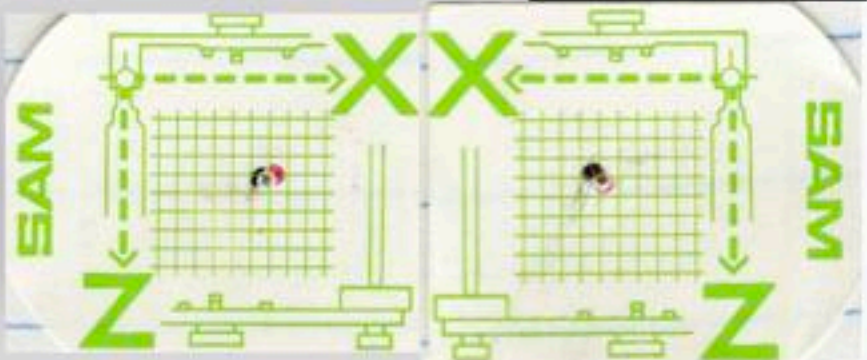


Uses sound wave to move atlas,
disrupts muscle bracing



Atlas (C1) Observations:

Once atlas is reduced, other therapies progress much better.
Atlas can subluxate again as ligaments are still damaged
The longer atlas is in, the more likely it will stay in
Cartilage and bone changes shape over time.
Occlusion will be different with atlas in and atlas out, about 0.5mm
Occlusal appliances can help stabilize the atlas once it is reduced
Glucosamine helps neck become stable- ?cartilage adaptation?



CR Changes with Atlas position

?Pressure on Occiput moves
Temporal bone?

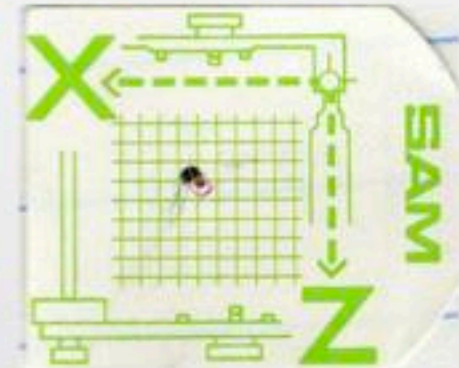
Put your teeth together and bend
neck side to side



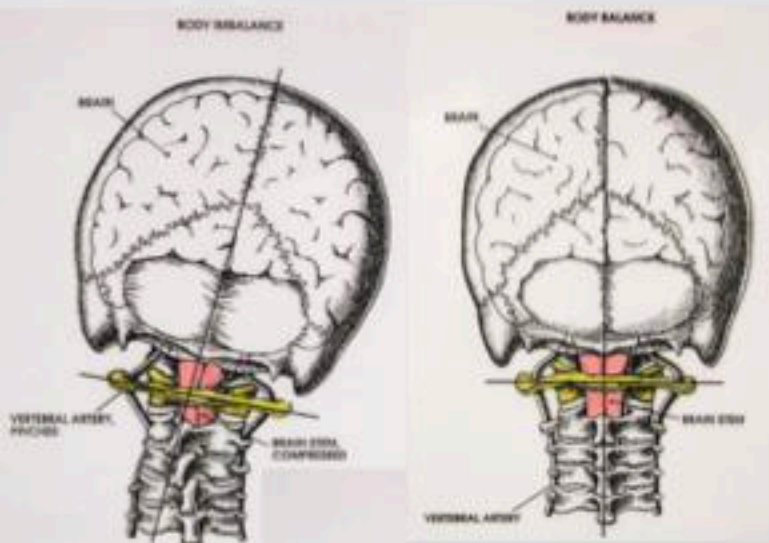
SAM Articulator Veri-check



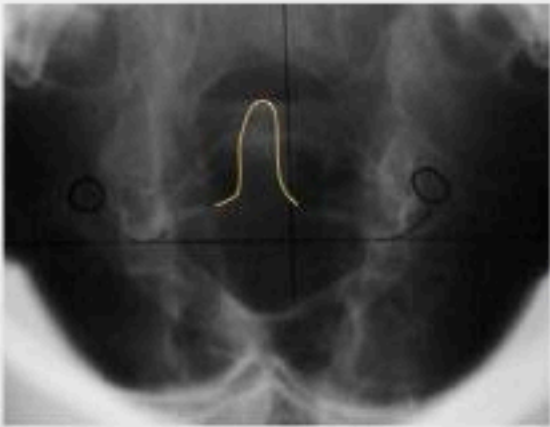
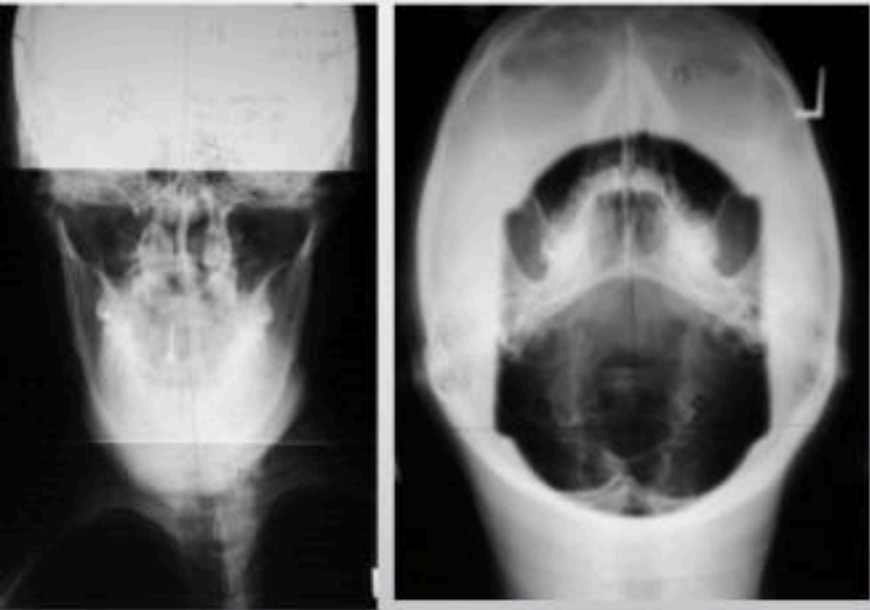
Right Condyle
Black- Atlas Out
Red- Atlas in shifts
condyle up and
forward 0.6mm



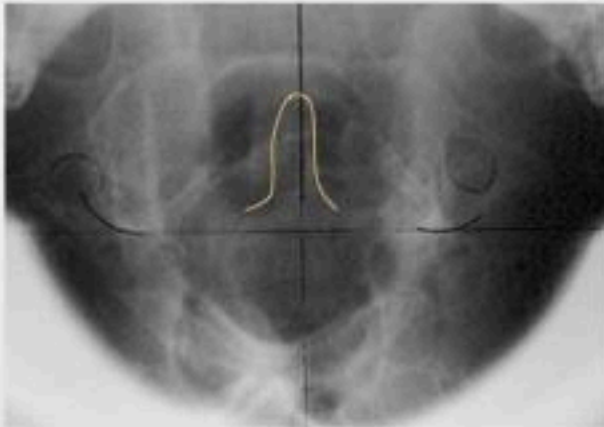
Left Condyle
Black- Atlas Out
Red- Atlas in shifts
condyle down and
back 0.5mm



My Neck



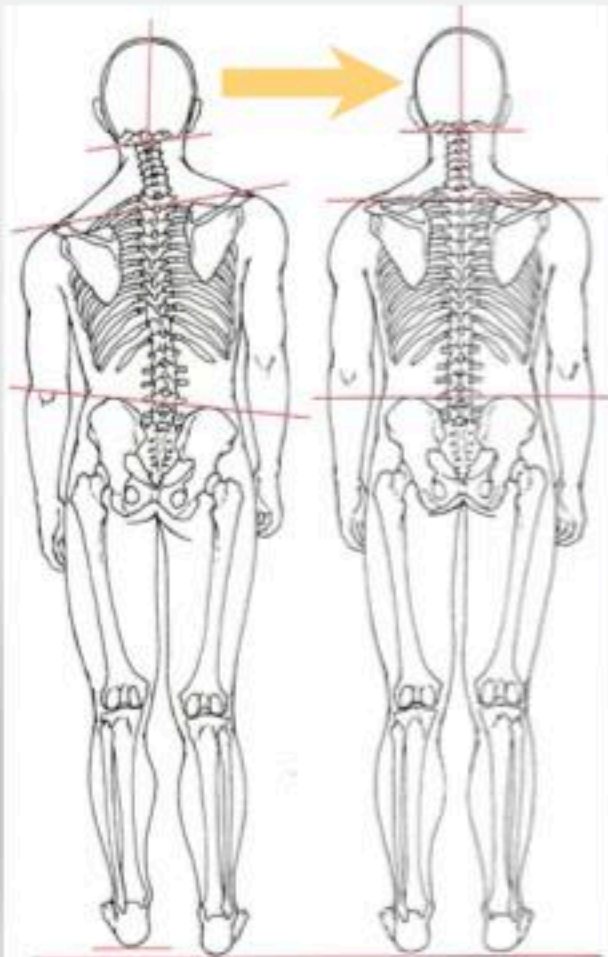
Before Atlas Adjustment



After Atlas Adjustment



Atlas Reduction



Many therapist place a heel lift thinking it is a leg length discrepancy

With atlas reduction the hip drops and the knot at the base of the skull clears instantly

Note: you do not get perfect realignment of all the bones as illustrated, but it is a start.

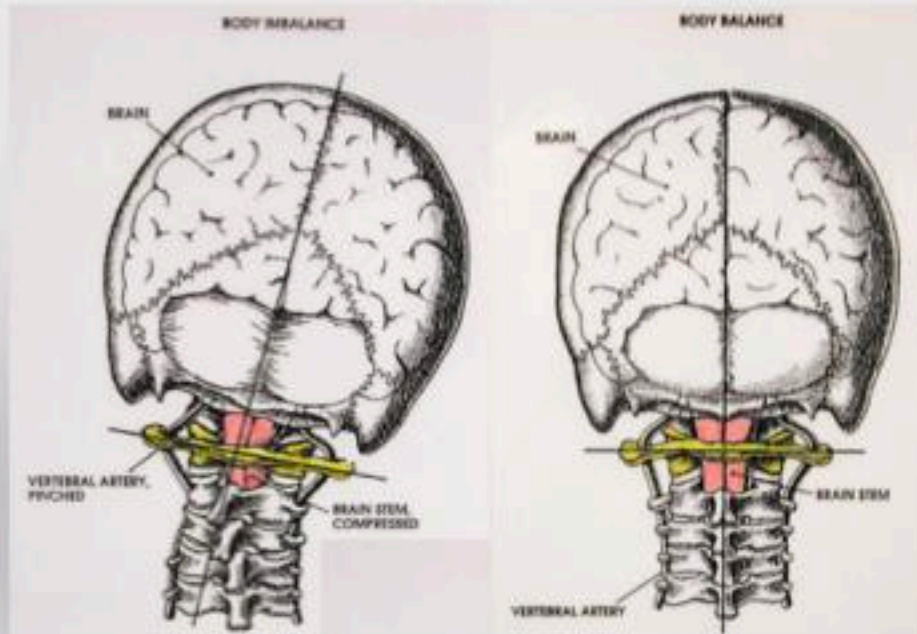
Finding An Atlas Orthogonist

www.atlasorthogonality.com

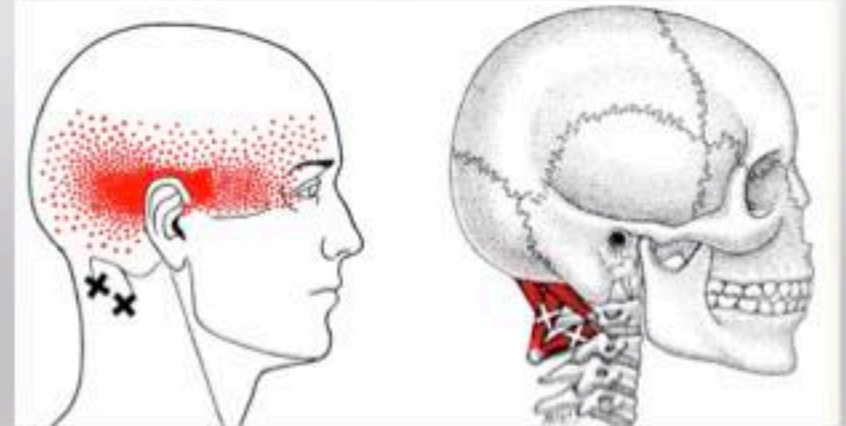
My Observations


50% of Atlas Doctors seem to be good

Most snappers and crunchers are useless or dangerous



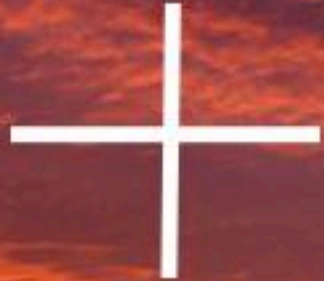
Atlas Orthogonist is only group of therapist I have found who can get rid of muscle knot at C2





Know Yourself

Know Your Work



Know Your Patient

Apply Your Knowledge

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Exam and Diagnostic Tests

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TMDs- What are the choices? (190 Diagnoses, 7 Categories)

1. TMJ Damage

Adhesions and ankylosis of temporomandibular joint
Avascular Necrosis Mandibular Condyle
Cartilage Fibrillation, Mandibular Condyle, Fossa
Closed Lock, Jaw Cartilage, Acute
Closed Lock, Jaw Cartilage, Chronic
Closed Lock, Jaw Cartilage, Intermittent, Mechanically dysfunctional
Crush Injury Mandibular Condyle
Crystal arthropathy, unspecified, TMJ
Dislocation jaw cartilage due to injury, Sequela
Dislocation jaw cartilage with reduction, favorable adaptation, TMJ
Dislocation jaw cartilage without reduction, favorable adaptation, TMJ
Effusion, TMJ

Impingement Retrodiscal Tissue
Inflammatory Tissue Bone Resorption, TMJ Condyle
Loose Body (Joint Mice), TMJ
Malignant neoplasm of bones of skull and face
Open Lock TMJ, Recurring
Osteoarthritis TMJ, active degeneration
Osteoarthritis- Inactive
Osteochondritis Dissecans TMJ
Osteolysis Mandibular Condyle, Active
Perforation Mandibular, TMJ
Perforation Pseudodic, TMJ
Psoriatic Arthritis TMJ
Rheumatoid Arthritis Sero Negative TMJ
Synovitis

2. Muscles of the TMJ

Dystonia
Habitual posture forward mandible
Hemifacial Muscle spasm
Inhibitory Reflex Dysfunction, Periodontal Ligament Masseter Muscle
Muscle Atrophy, TMJ
Muscle Bracing Neck Stabilization
Muscle Bracing Pain Avoidance
Muscle Bracing TMJ stabilization
Muscle Bracing Airway Patency (with Tongue)
Muscle Contracture Fibrosis Lateral Pterygoid
Muscle Contracture Fibrosis Masseter, Medial Pterygoid, Temporalis
Muscle Fatigue Overuse
Muscle Hypertrophy TMJ Muscles

3. Cranial Alignment/Occlusion

Cranial Distortion / Misalignment
Hemifacial Hypoplasia
Hyper Occlusal Awareness
Idiopathic Orthotic Damage
Malocclusion Anterior Open Bite
Malocclusion Central occlusion MesioC discrepancy
Malocclusion Deep Bite
Malocclusion due to mouth breathing
Malocclusion due to TMJ bone loss
Malocclusion due to tongue, lip or finger habits
Malocclusion insufficient anterior occlusal guidance
Malocclusion lack of posterior occlusal support
Malocclusion Posterior Openbite Bilateral
Malocclusion Posterior Openbite Unilateral
Malocclusion unspecified

Malposition/Misalignment: Maxilla, Temporal Bone, Mandible
Mandibular asymmetry
Mandibular hyperplasia
Mandibular hypoplasia
Mandibular retrognathia
Maxillary asymmetry
Maxillary hyperplasia
Maxillary hypoplasia
Maxillary retrognathia
Occlusal Adaptation, Favorable
Occlusal Dependency for Joint Stabilization/ Proprioception
Tooth Intrusion
Tooth Supereruption

4. Cervical Damage

Cervical Vertebrae Alignment Dysfunction
Cervicocranial Syndrome
Muscle Guarding due Neck Instability
Trigger Point Neck Muscle with Referred Pain
Trigger Point Neck Muscle, Localized Pain

5. Parafunction

Excessive Tooth Wear, Damage
Hypersensitive Occlusion
Parafunctional Clenching Teeth, Awake
Parafunctional Clenching Teeth, Sleep
Parafunctional Grinding Teeth, Awake
Parafunctional Grinding Teeth, Sleep
Parafunctional Clench/Grind Wiggle
Parafunctional Tongue Bracing avoiding uncomfortable tooth contact
Parafunctional Tongue Bracing Neck stabilization
Parafunctional Tongue Bracing to maintain Airway
Parafunctional Tongue Bracing unknown cause

6. Whole Body / Systemic

Lyme Disease Arthritis
Magnesium Deficiency
Obstructive Sleep Apnea
Osteoporosis without current pathological fracture
Pathological Habitual Movement Pattern
Postural Deformity Standing
Postural Deformity Walking
Postural Forward Head Position
Upper Airway Resistance, UARS

7. Other

Nerve Entrapment Masseteric Nerve due to Masseteric hypertonicity
Neurosensory Trigeminal Nerve
Obsessive-Compulsive Personality Disorder
Other
Otitis Ear Infection
Pain disorder exclusively related to psychological factors, Somatiform pain disorder
Pain disorder with related psychological factors
Peripheral Sensitization

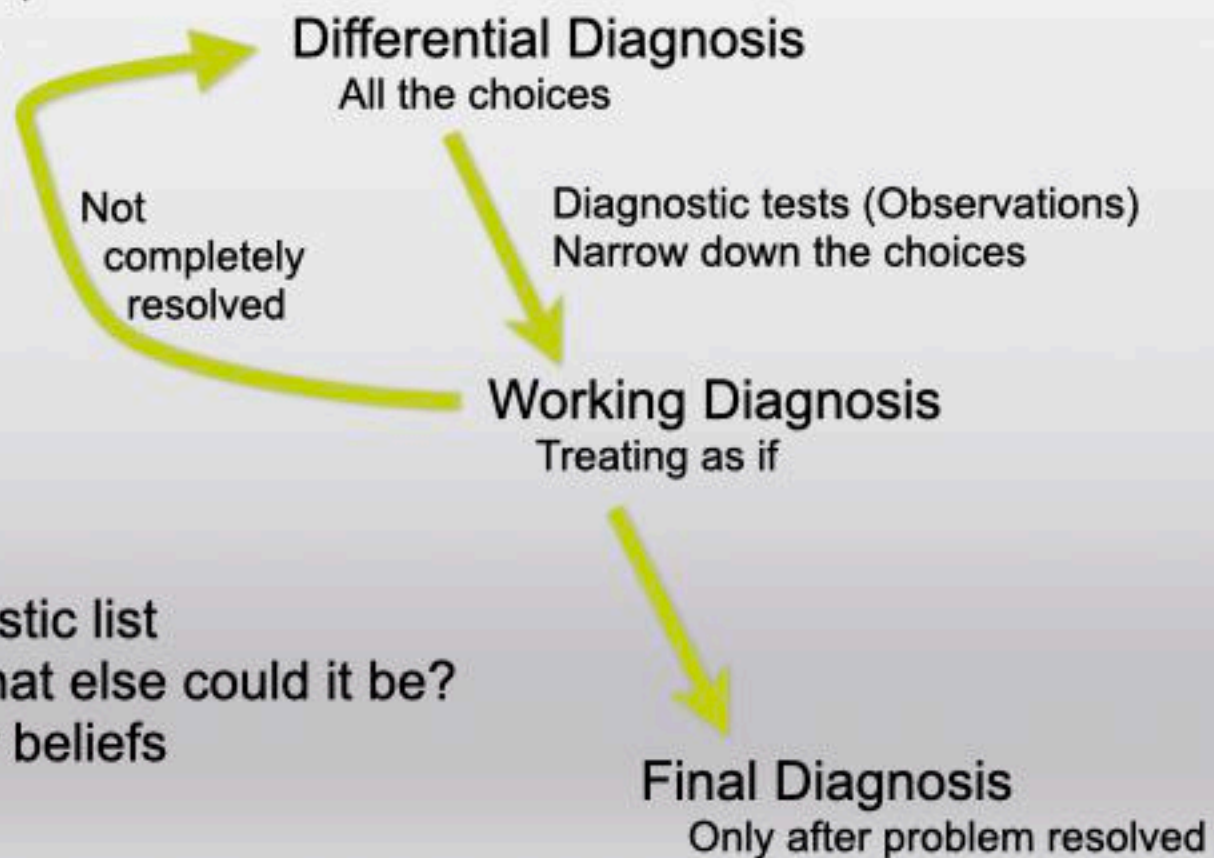
The Diagnostic Process

When diagnosing and treating facial pain, we have entered the world of medicine.



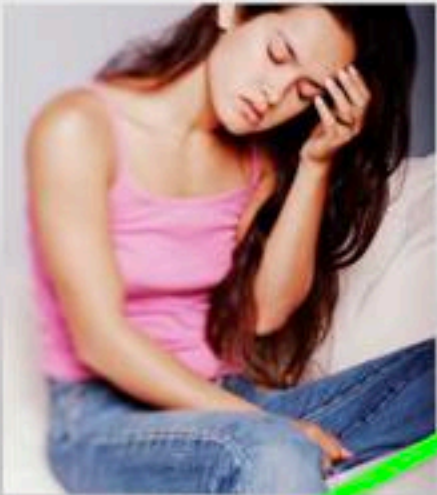
Think!!

Always make a differential diagnostic list
Ask, "It appears to be this, but what else could it be?"
Be aware you are blinded by your beliefs



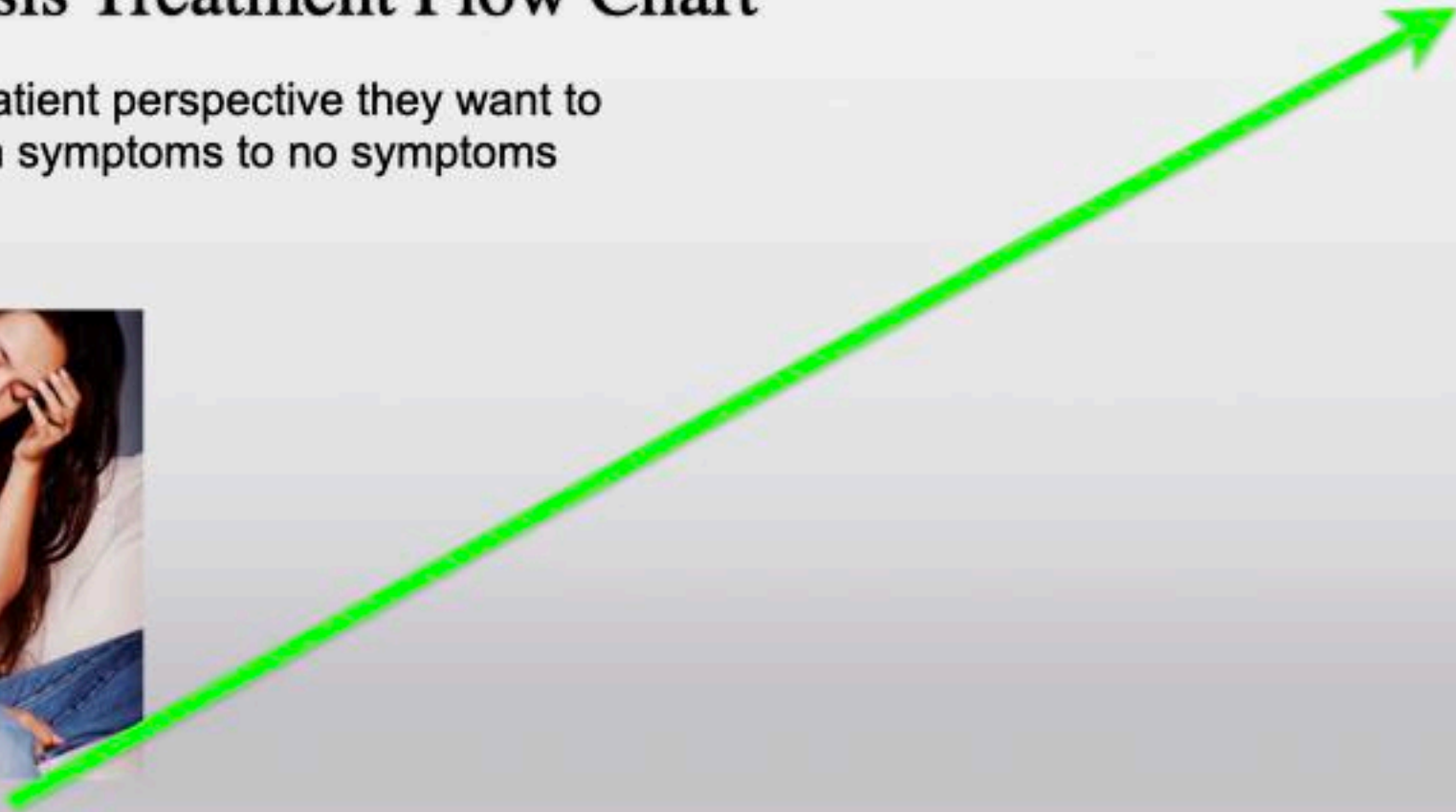
Diagnosis Treatment Flow Chart

From a patient perspective they want to go from symptoms to no symptoms



Symptoms

No Symptoms



Diagnosis Treatment Flow Chart

From a patient perspective they want to go from symptoms to no symptoms



Symptoms

History

Signs

Doctor Exam

Differential Diagnosis

Diagnostic Tests

Specific Working Diagnosis

Treatment

No Signs

No Symptoms
Final Dx

Doctor Re-Exam

If not resolved

Symptom Dx

Tooth Pain
Arthralgia

vs
vs

Specific Dx

Irreversible Pulpitis
Osteoarthritis

Facial Pain Diagnosis

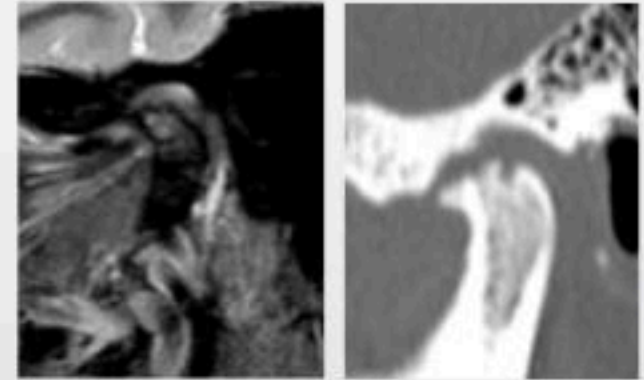
Diagnostic Tools

- 1 Written and Oral History
- 2 Observation
- 3 Physical Exam
 - Muscle Palpation
 - Joint Palpation
 - Joint Auscultation
 - Joint Motion
- 4 Anterior Stop Test
- 5 Sleep Airway Screening
- 6 CT Scan
- MRI
- Blood Tests

Biometrics

- Joint Vibration
- Jaw Tracker
- Electromyography
- T-Scan

- Occlusion: CR Mounted Study Models
- Complete Dental Exam
- Clinical Photographs
- Dx Blocks
- Dx Orthotics- Brux Checker, CR Orthotic



Facial Pain Diagnosis

Diagnostic Tools

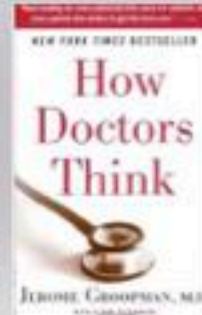
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Most Important is the history. You have a good idea of what is going from this alone.

You can also observe speech, jaw movements, neck movements, demeanor, body posture during the oral history.

Need to resist the temptation to zero in on one diagnosis.

Still need make a Differential Diagnosis.
It appears to be, but what else could it be?




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Facial Problem Questionnaire

I. Name _____ Age _____
 Date _____ Referred by _____

II. Which of the following do you have (circle all that apply):
 Headaches Neck Pain Jaw pain Ear Pain
 Facial Pain Eye Problems Damaged teeth
 Other _____


III. Please shade in where your pain is located:

IV. How long have you had this pain? _____
 Is the pain constant? _____
 Is the pain worse at (circle all that apply): Working Resting
 Standing Sleep In bed Other _____
 Is the pain worse in the (circle all that apply):
 Morning Afternoon Evening Night
 What makes the pain better? _____
 What makes the pain worse? _____

How severe is your pain? Please make a check along the line below:

No Pain _____ Worst Pain _____

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Facial Problems Questionnaire

1. Name _____ Age _____
 Date _____ Referred by _____
 Referring Doctor: Please Print Name: _____

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 Headaches _____ Neck Pain _____ Jaw pain _____ Ear Pain _____
 Facial Pain _____ Skin Problems _____ Damaged teeth _____
 Other _____



3. If Pain, Please shade in where your pain is located.

4. If pain... How long have you had this pain? _____
 Is the pain constant? _____
 Is the pain (circle all that apply): Aching _____ Burning _____
 Itching _____ Sharp _____ Dull _____ Other _____
 Is the pain worse in the (circle all that apply):
 Morning _____ Afternoon _____ Evening _____ Night _____
 What makes the pain better? _____
 What makes the pain worse? _____
 How severe is your pain? Please make a mark along the line below:
 No Pain |-----| Worst Pain Ever

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Pt fills out FPQ and mails in prior to appointment being made
 It is reviewed and type of appointment is determined.

FPQ is a combination of:
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 Patient Download

All patients fill out whether they have pain or not

Question 20 is the most important of all

20. Describe the problem (s) in your own words:

How have these problems affected your life? Does it keep you from doing anything that you want to do? (work, play, chores, eating, talking)

What would you like to accomplish with treatment here?



Start Reading here when you first look at form

What we want to know first, is best answered by the patient last. Patient's memory has been focused on the details of the problem for the previous 5 pages. Now when they answer, it is a much more focused answer.



FAB
Feature
Advantage
Benefit

All treatment discussions are made in reference to the benefit to the patient

Nobody ever wants to own a feature: an occlusal adjustment, a crown, or a root canal.
The first step to achieving(Benefit for patient).... is
The cost to(Benefit for patient).... is \$\$

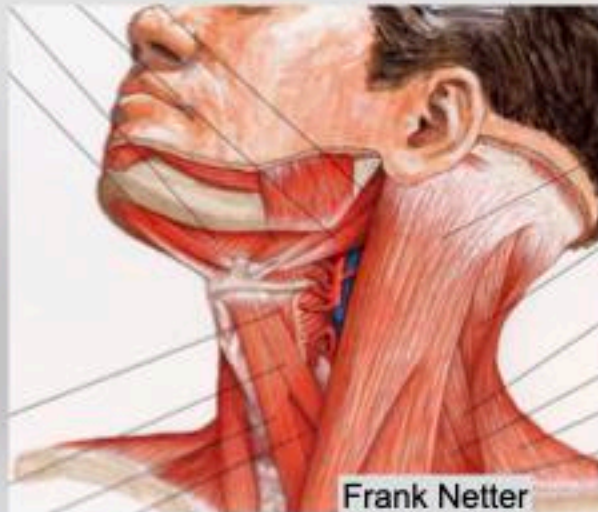
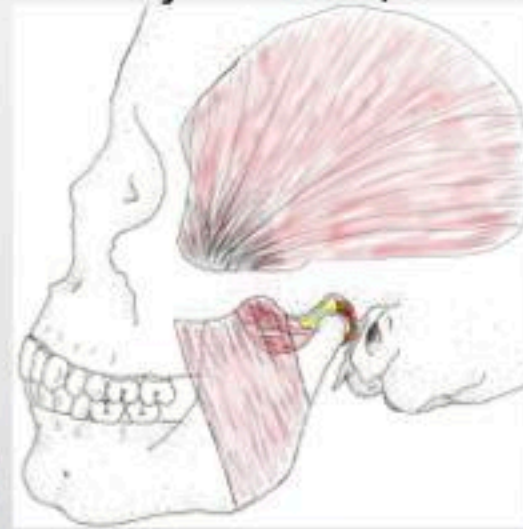
Facial Pain Diagnosis

While I palpate many muscles, the ones I find key are:

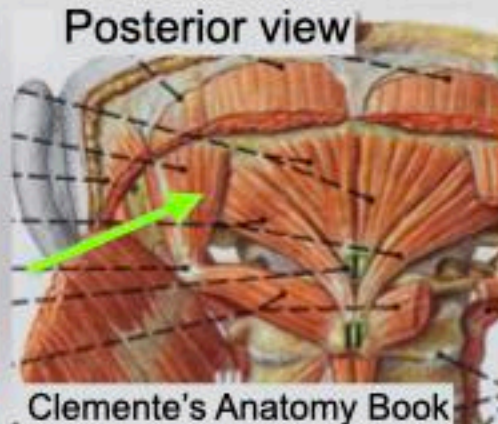
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- Anterior Temporalis
- Masseter
- Posterior Digastric
- Superior Oblique Capitus
- Deep Temporalis
- Lateral Pterygoid



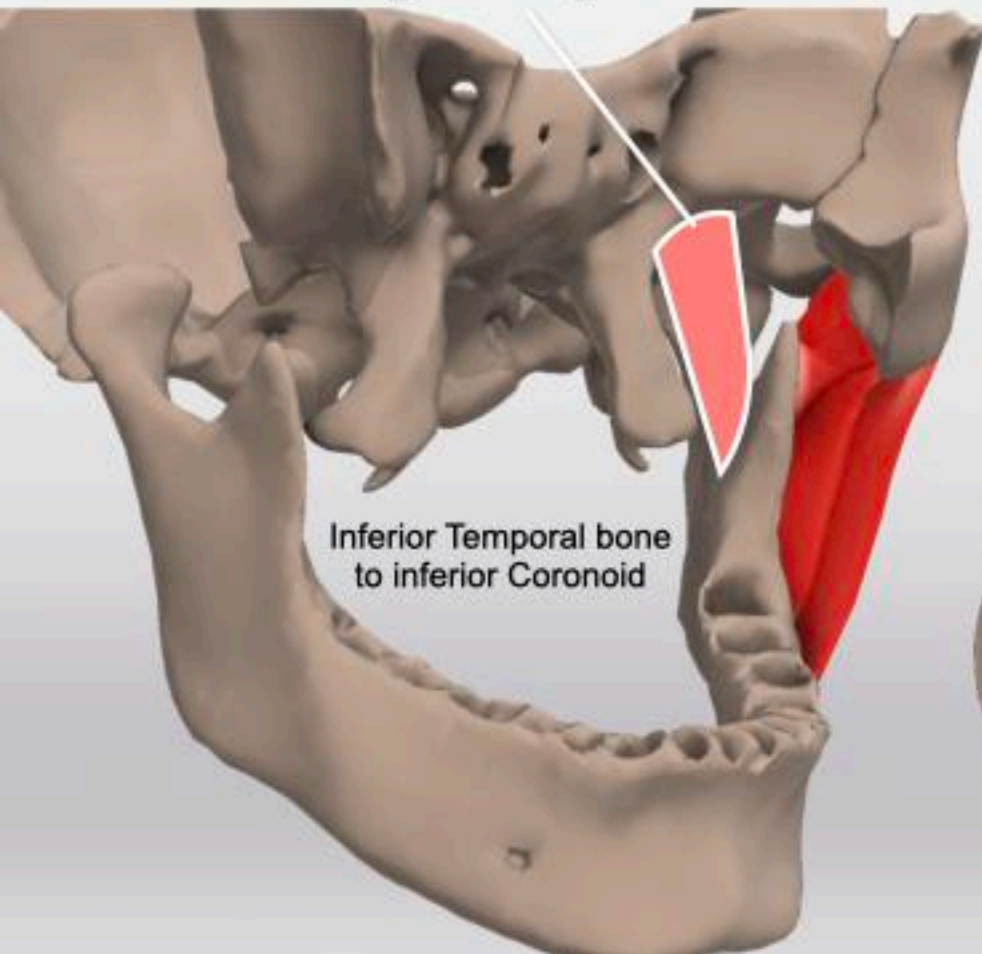
Frank Netter



Clemente's Anatomy Book

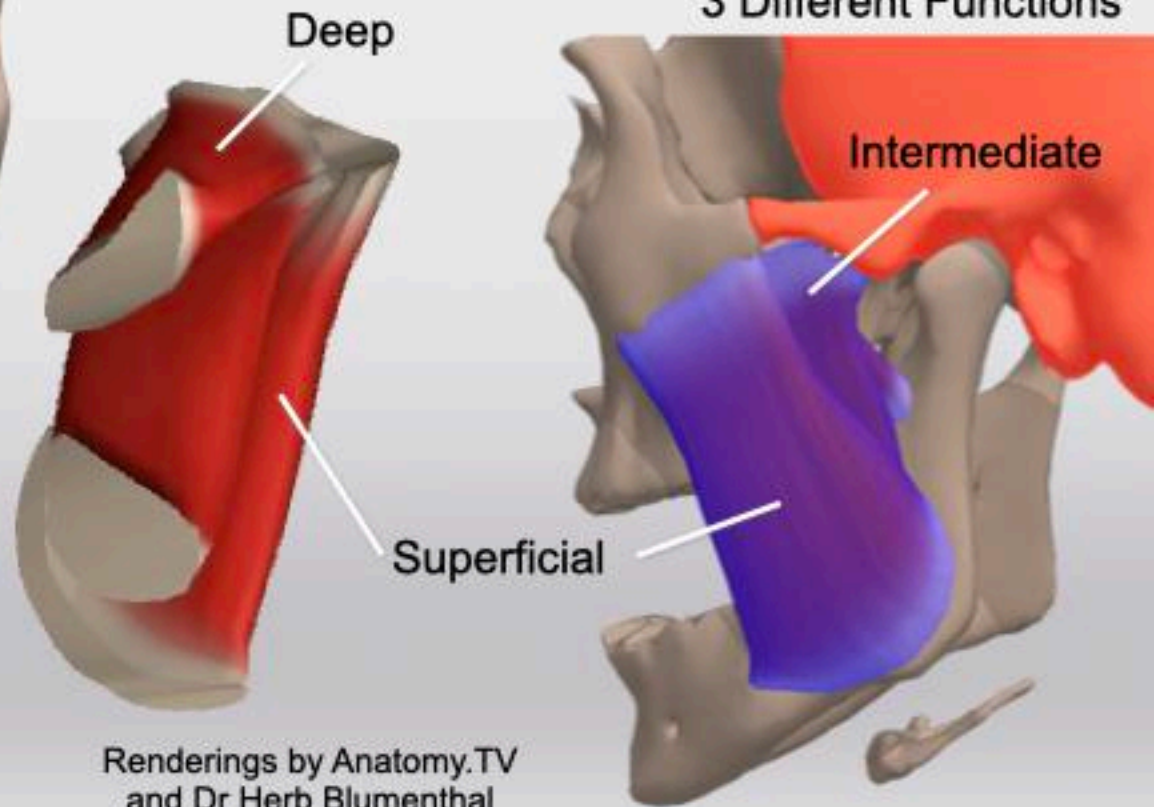
Anatomy TV

Deep Temporalis



Masseter Muscle is Complex

Complex Muscle
3 Different Portions
3 Different Functions



Renderings by Anatomy.TV
and Dr Herb Blumenthal

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Anterior Lateral Pole



Load in CR- gradual increase pressure
Load In Excursions if negative in CR
No pain does not mean stable



Posterior Lateral Pole



Indirect through Ear



Key Question: What is sore?
Is it the joint, or is it muscle,
or both, or neither?

Load Testing

No pain does not mean stable

Reviewed 600 cases (MRI and CT Scans) at my practice of facial pain:

6.5% cases had structurally unstable TM joints. 39/600
(A general practice will have less % structurally unstable TM joints)

CR Load test on these 39 joints:

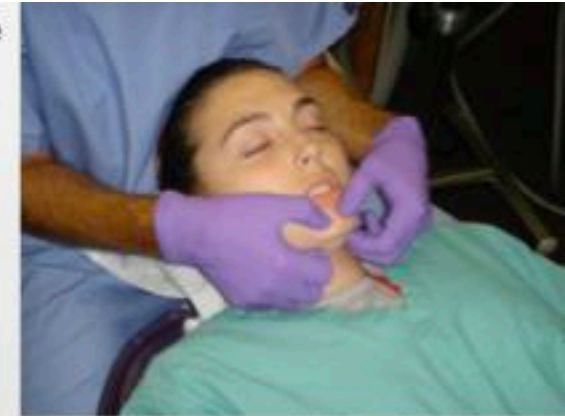
CR Load Positive Soreness 22/39 (56%)

Missed 17/39 structurally unstable joints (44%)

CR and Lateral Load test on these 39 joints:

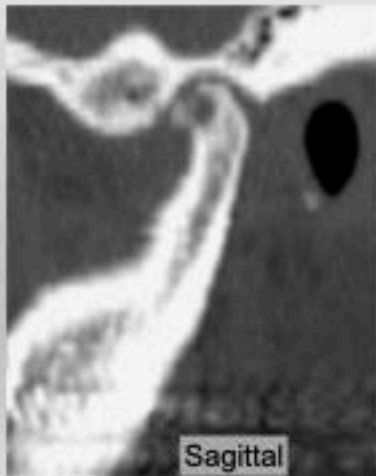
Positive Soreness of one or both test 33/39 (85%)

Missed 6/39 structurally unstable joints (15%)



Load Test Bimanual Manipulation

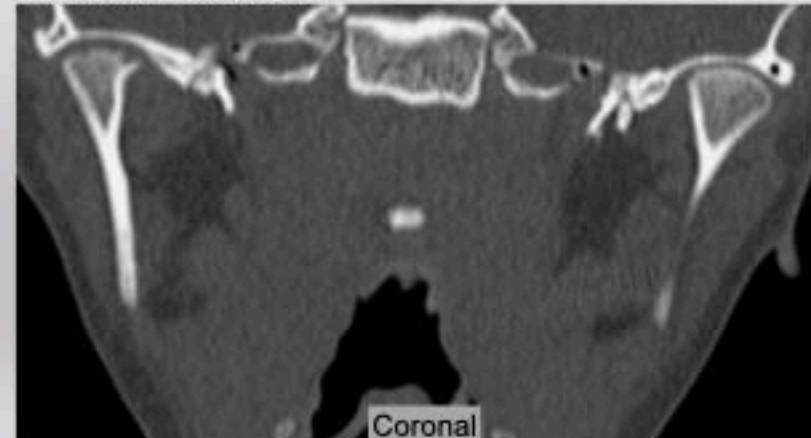
46yo F
CR Load Normal
Excursion Load Normal



40yo F
CR Load Normal
Excursion Load Slight



12yo F- CR Load Normal
Excursion Load Slight



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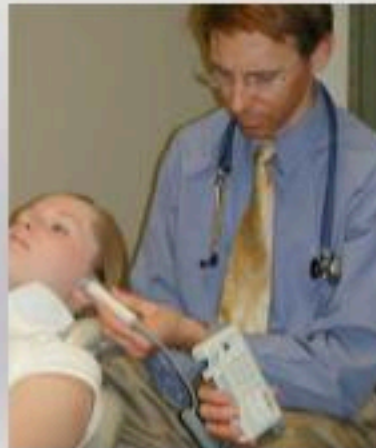
A healthy joint is quiet,
A damage joint is not.

A joint that does not move is also quiet.

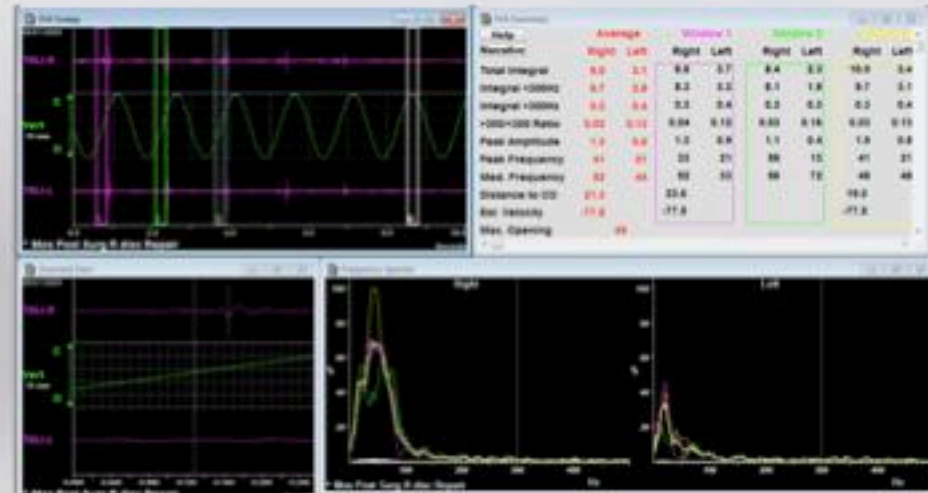
Stethoscope

Doppler - Landmark Healthcare 800-334-5618
 Huntleigh Mini Dopplex 5hz
 Great Lakes Orthodontics 800-828-7626

Joint Vibration Analysis/Jaw Tracker
 BioResearch 800-251-2315



Sounds/ Vibrations



Sounds/ Vibrations Stethoscope



Use Bell side, not Diaphragm side,
over the TMJ

3M Littmann Classic II S.E. Stethoscope

My Subjective Description of Joint Sounds

smooth
paper
sand
pebbles
rocks
glass

fine
med
coarse

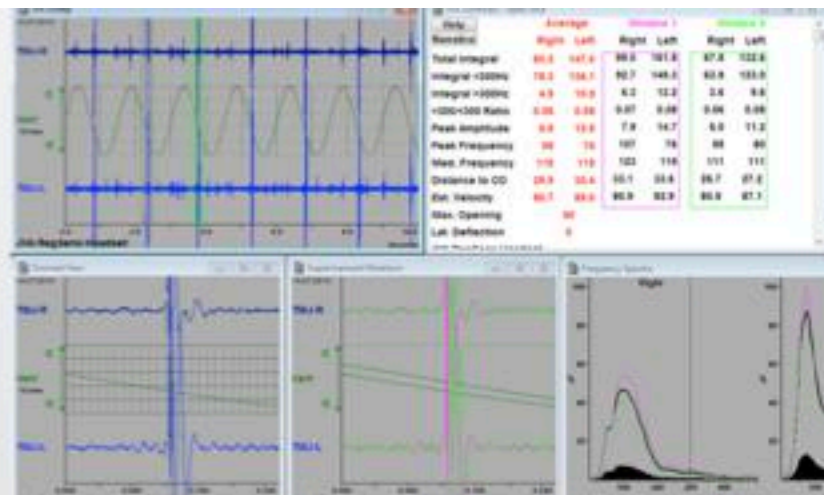
crackle
crunchy
squeaky
scratch

Click
soft
crisp
squishy
early
late
100%
75%
50%
25%
sporadic
??

negative joint movement
minimal joint movement

Joint Vibration Analysis

Objectively measures and quantifies joint vibrations during motion which is an indication of cartilage health



Based on Sonar.
It is not a microphone

Three main types of sounds

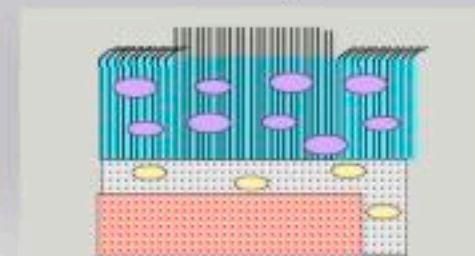


Disc Reduction
Disc Dislocation
Adhesion crackle
tooth tap

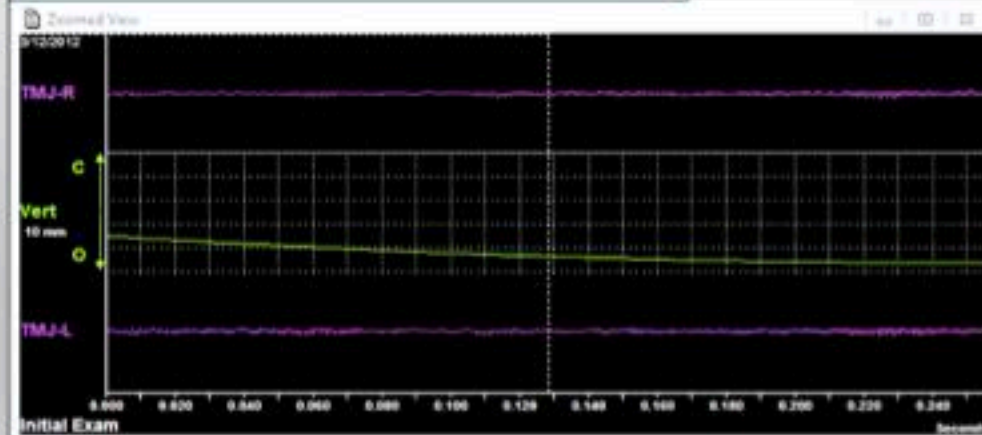
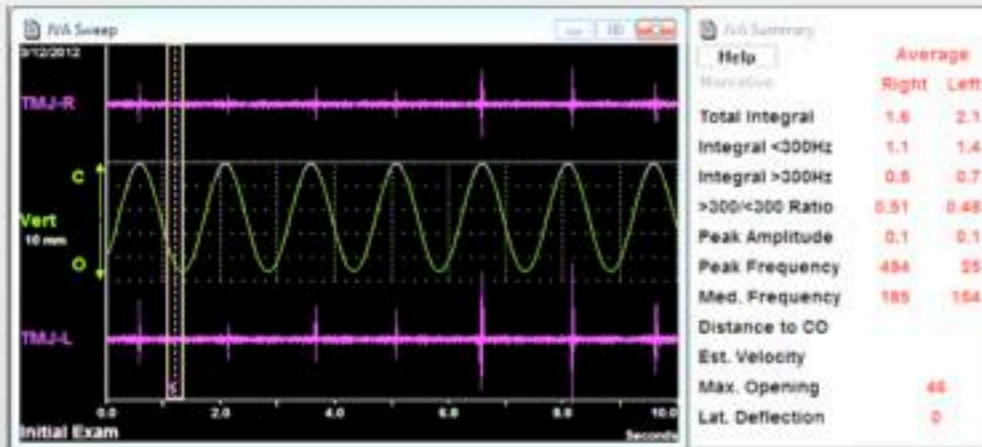
Osteoarthritis
Pseudo Disc
Damaged Cartilage

Disc Subluxation
Joint Subluxation
Disc Reduction
Disc Dislocation

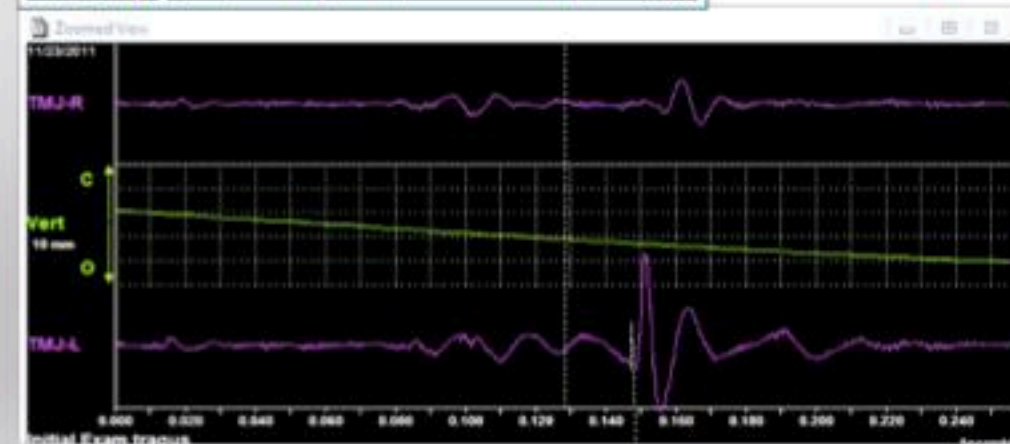
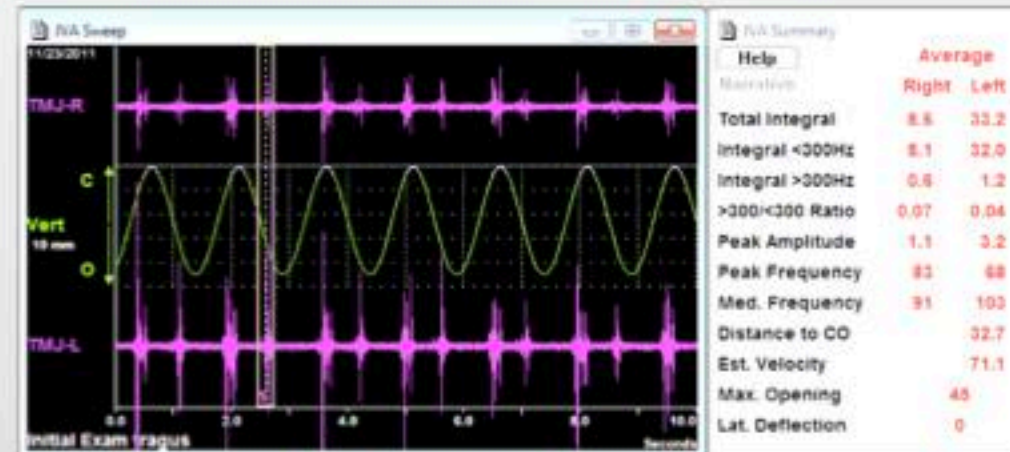
JVA measures the health of the cartilage



Healthy or Damaged?



Healthy or Damaged?



Why is Joint making this vibration?



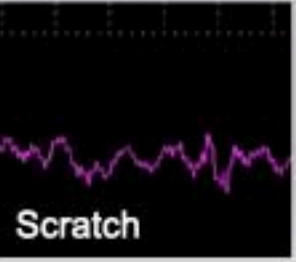
Good Vibrations
Healthy Cartilage
No Movement



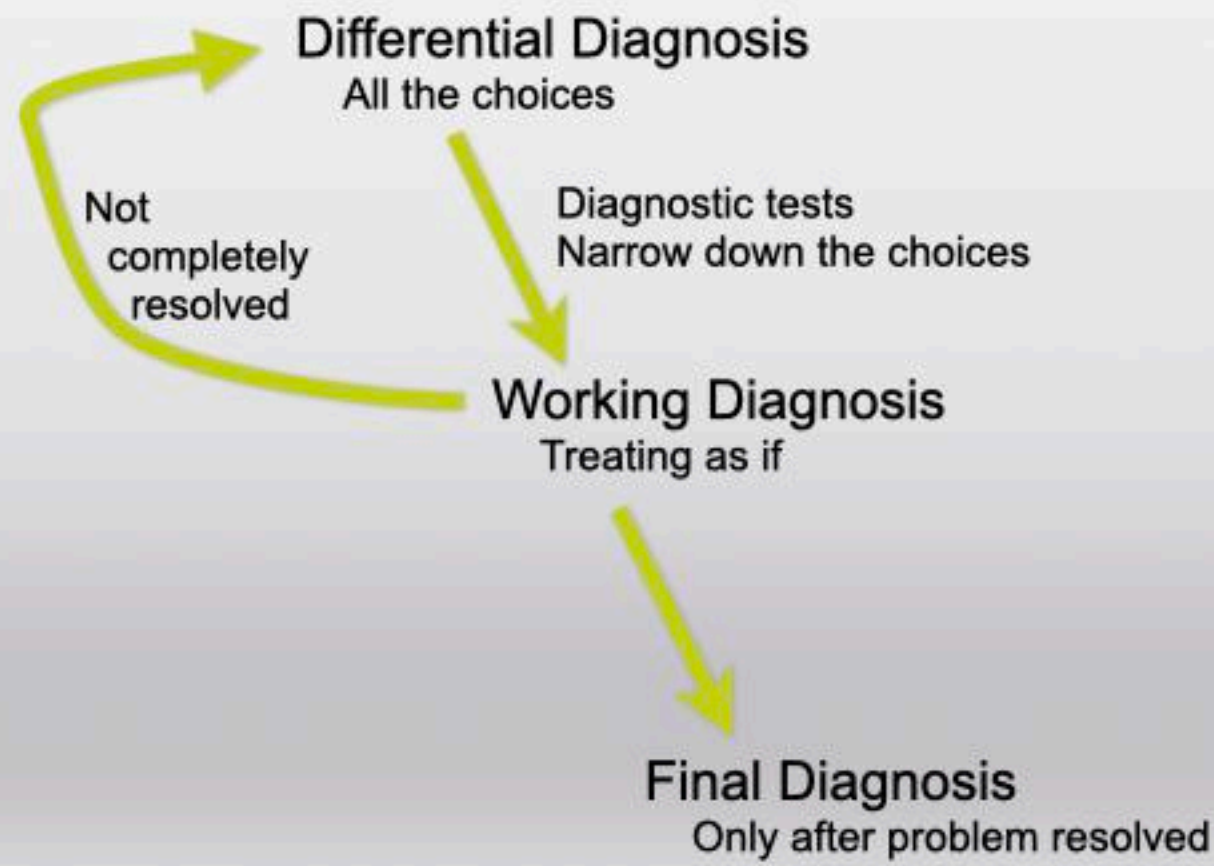
Wobble
Disc Dislocation
Disc Reduction
Disc subluxation
Joint subluxation
Condyle bumps Disc
Sensor roll on face



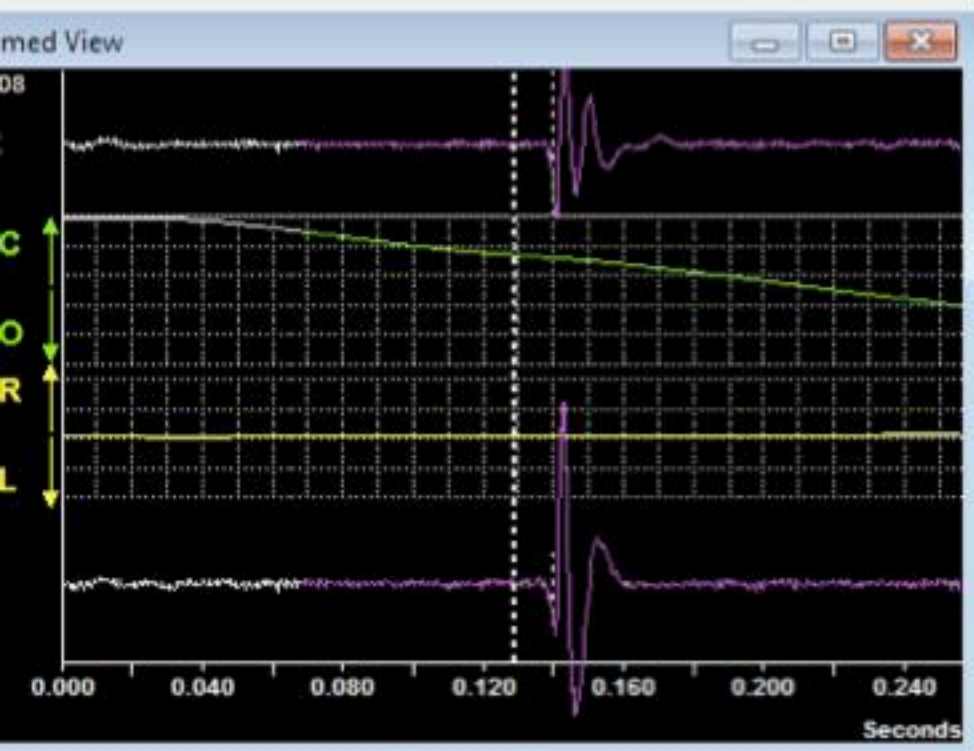
Click
Disc Reduction
Disc Dislocation
Adhesion Crackle
Tooth Tap
Contralateral Transference



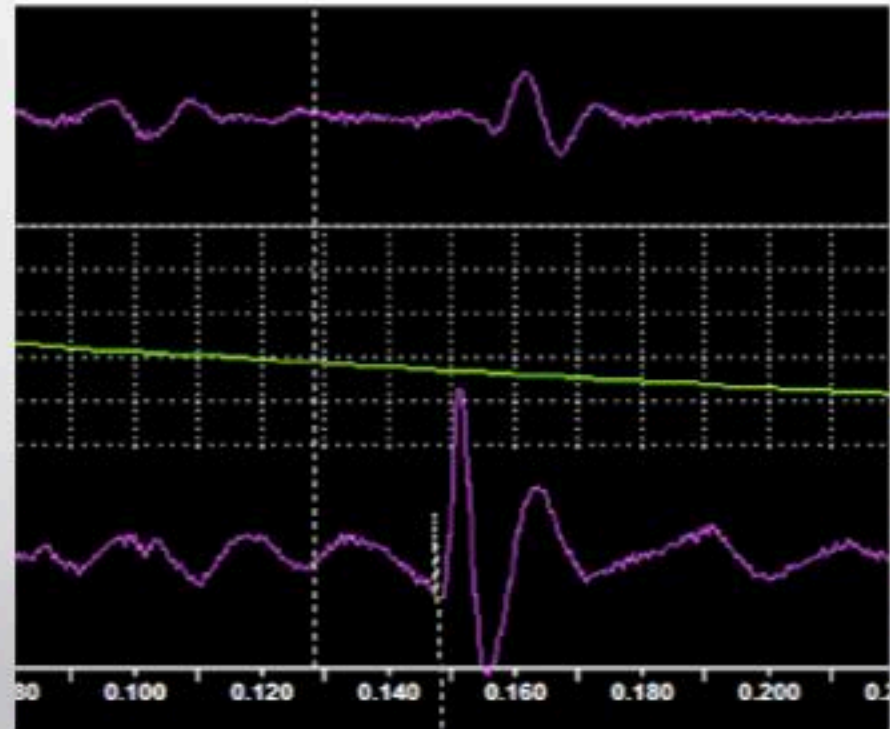
Scratch
Cartilage Fibrillation
Cartilage against tissue
Bone against bone
Velcro Noise



Simple or Complex



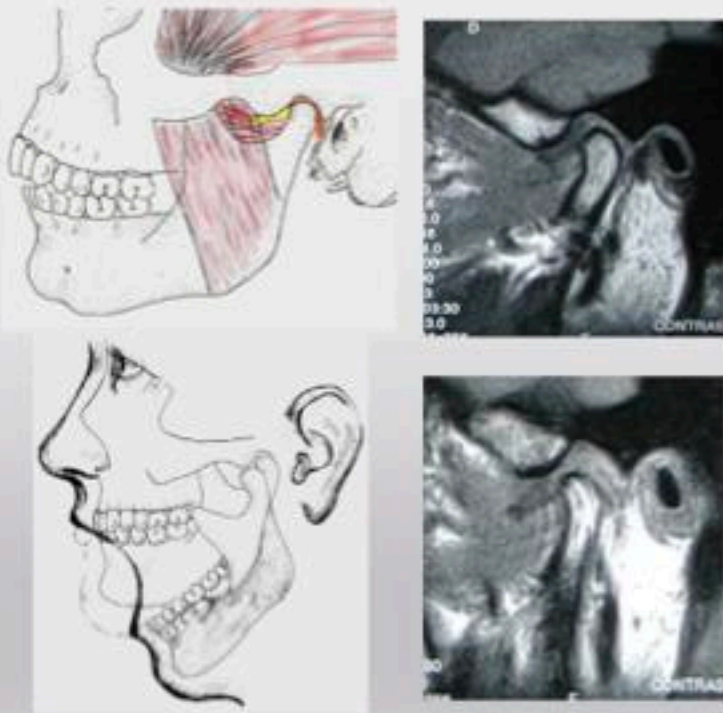
Simple left click with transference vibration to right
L4a



Complex Click
L3a, R4b

Magnetic Resonance Imaging

MRI gives you the start and finish
You have to infer what happened in between



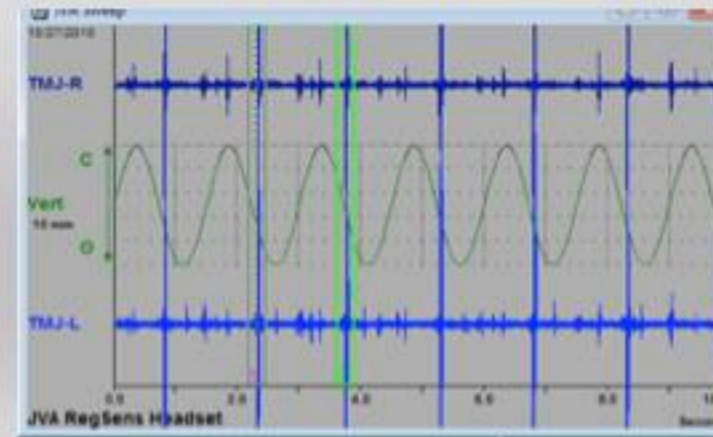
Joint Vibration Analysis

JVA gives you what happens in between
open and closed. It records "motion".
You then infer the start and finish



JVA records Objectively the vibrations of
the TMJ as you open and close.
Ability to compare from year to year.

JVA allows you to view
the joint in function



Facial Pain Diagnosis

Evaluate for Full, Smooth Range of Motion

40-55 mm, 300mm/sec velocity, straight path, consistent arc

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Take 4 Measurements:

Maximum Opening	40-55mm
Right Lateral	10-12mm
Left Lateral	10-12mm
Protrusive	10-12mm

38+4 indicates 38mm edge to edge plus 4mm overbite for a total of 42mm

Normal excursion are 25% of the max open

Evaluate Smoothness:
Light hold on chin as patient moves jaw

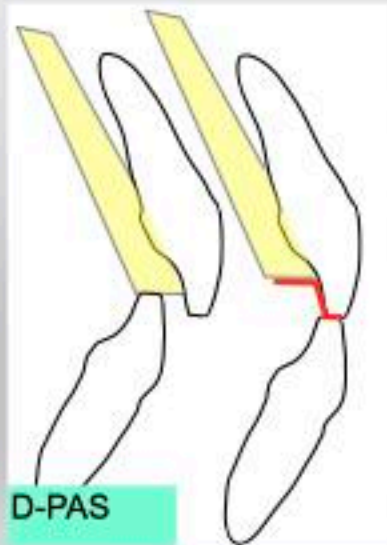


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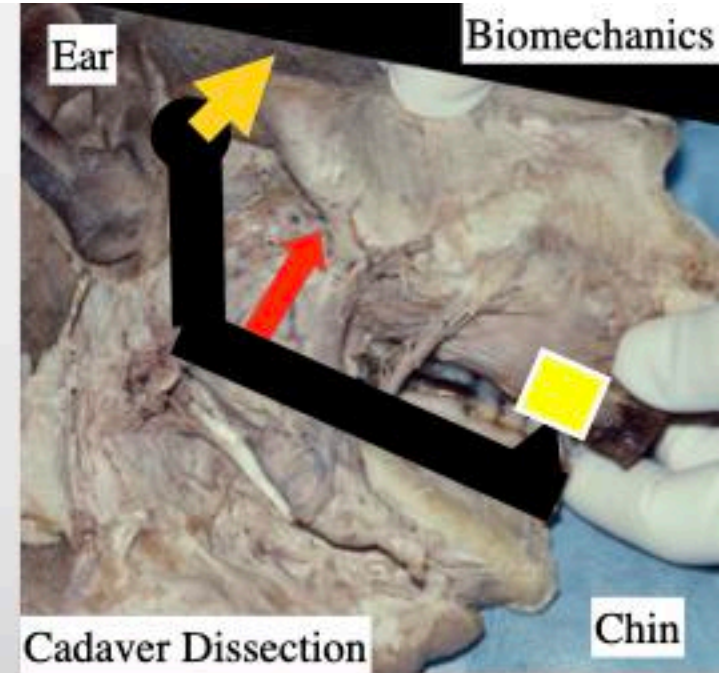
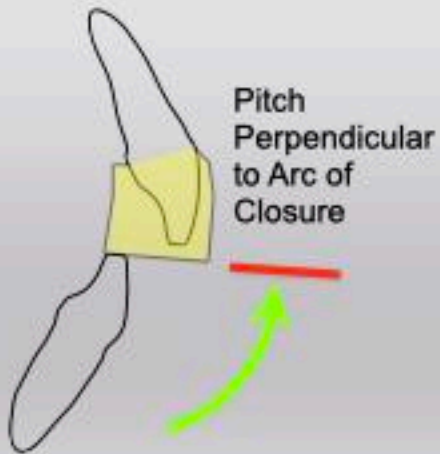
D-PAS

Anterior Stop Orthotics

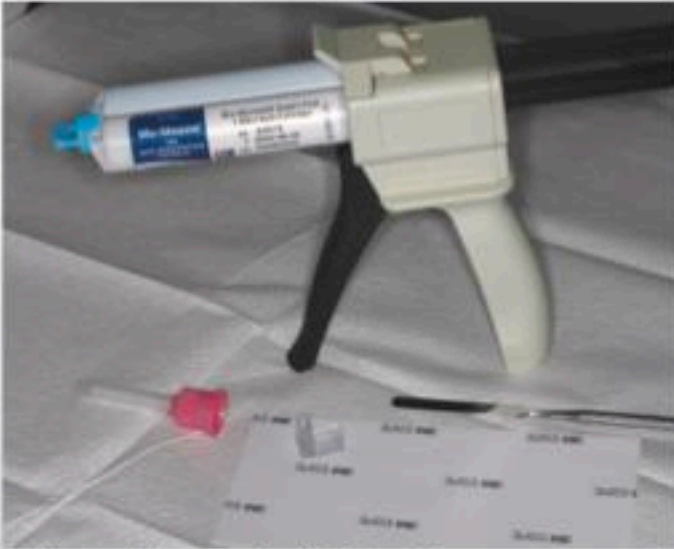


Anterior Stop Orthotic 3 Effects

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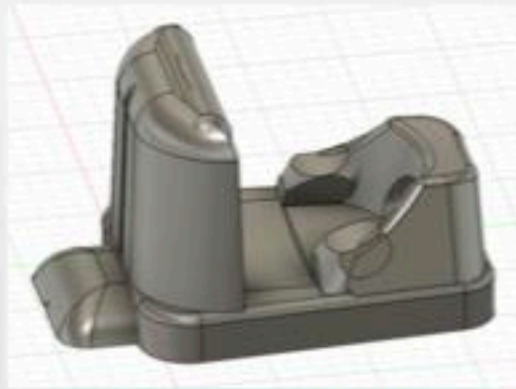
Anterior Stop Orthotic In Office Diagnostic Test



Reline with Parkell Blu-Mousse Super Fast

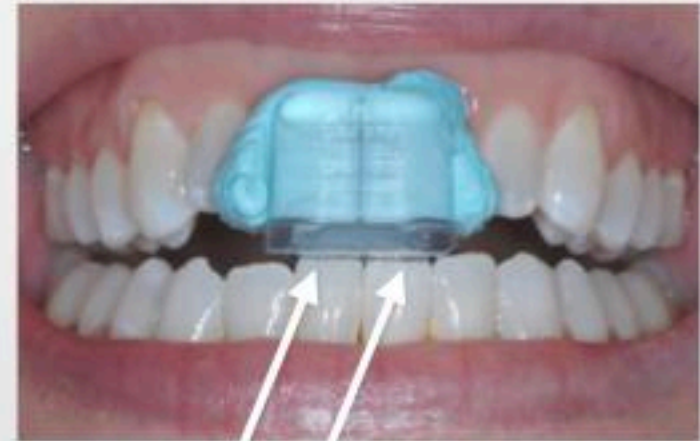


Can do 2nd reline over top of the first if needed

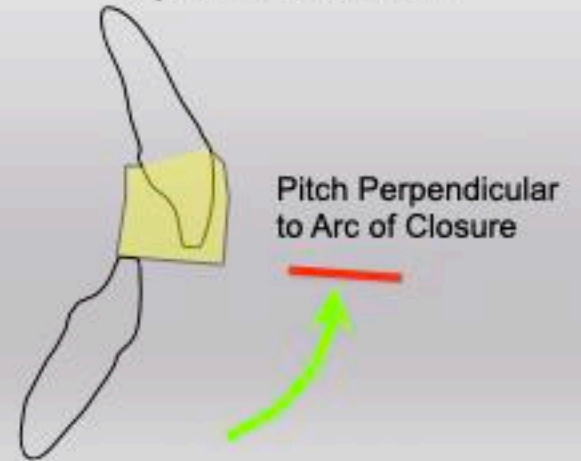


APS Anterior Stop 2.5mm

Easy to hold and align
Built in undercuts
Long enough for class 2 and class 3
Is bondable to composite



2 points of contact



Anterior Stop Orthotic In Office Diagnostic Test



ArrowPath Sleep
Anterior Stop



Deprogram Muscle Engrams

If pain reduces, Occlusion/ Cranial Alignment and/or Muscle Engrams are part of the problem

With anterior stop in place:

5-10x wide open solid tap, open tap far left, open tap far right

2nd round same except Dr unexpectedly accelerates closing a few times

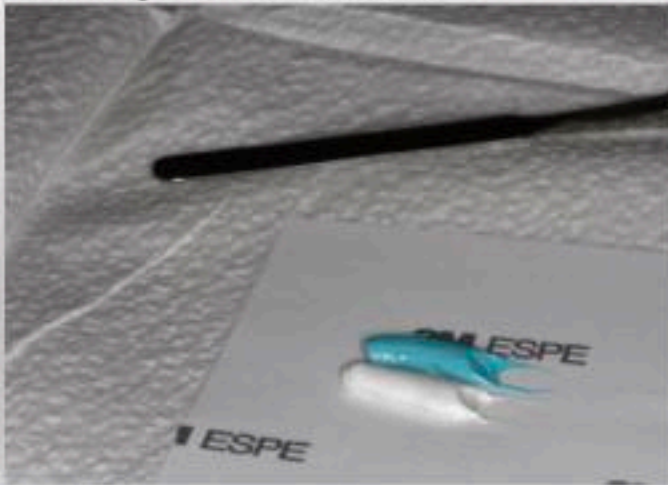
Occipital Lift with 3 deep breaths. Posterior neck opening muscle massage.

3rd round same as first except less taps each position

Office USE ONLY Do not send home with patient

Anterior Stop Orthotic In Office Diagnostic Test

Can do 2nd mix to
overlay 1st if needed



Anterior Stop Orthotic In Office Diagnostic Test

Does the occlusion, cranial alignment, and/or muscle bracing have anything to do with the dysfunction or pain?

Are the TMJ muscles inhibited from full contraction with anterior only tooth contact?



ArrowPath Sleep
Anterior stop 2.5 mm

>30% of headaches have an occlusal component

Occlusal adjustment in patients with craniomandibular disorders including headaches. A 3- and 6-month follow-up. Vallon D, Ekberg E, Nilner M. Acta Odontol Scand. 1995

Response to occlusal treatment in headache patients previously treated by mock occlusal adjustment. Forssell H, Kirveskari P, Kangasniemi P. Acta Odontol Scand. 1987

19 yo F Limited opening for past year 30-2 mm

Not able to eat solid foods for past 6 months
and scheduled for TMJ surgery next month



Anterior stop placed:
5 minutes of jaw manipulation
Pain level went from 8/10 to 0
Opening went from 30-2 to 48-3



Pankey Anterior Stop
relined with bis-gma resin

Working Diagnosis:
Protective Muscle Bracing
Occlusal Muscle Dysfunction
Anterior Openbite

Anterior Stop Orthotics

- Diagnostic Test
- Patient Awareness
- Disease Management
- Bite Recording Tool

The D-PAS Diagnostic Palatal Anterior Stop



Basically a relined upper Hawley retainer with anterior stop, no wire, no buccal restrictions.

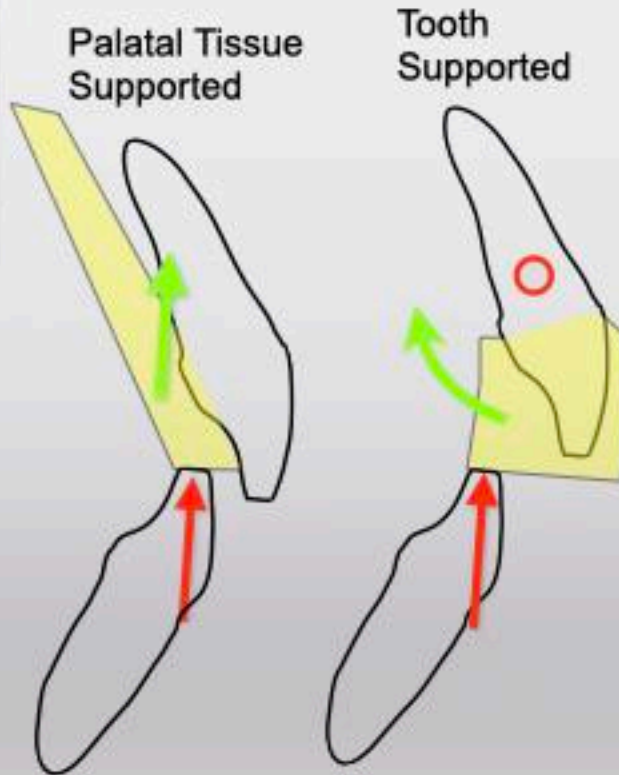


Anterior Stop Force Distribution: D-PAS vs NTI



D-PAS
Diagnostic Palatal
Anterior Stop

Must be relined



NTI-tss Splint
Nociceptive Trigeminal Inhibition
Tension Suppression System



NTI is tooth supported, hard reline.
Contact causes tooth flexure and rotation
Cranial/Skull unfriendly
Can end up being inhaled or swallowed

Diagnostic Palatal Anterior Stop

D-PAS Test: Wear for 2 weeks, 24/7, take out to eat

Better- Decrease in Symptoms

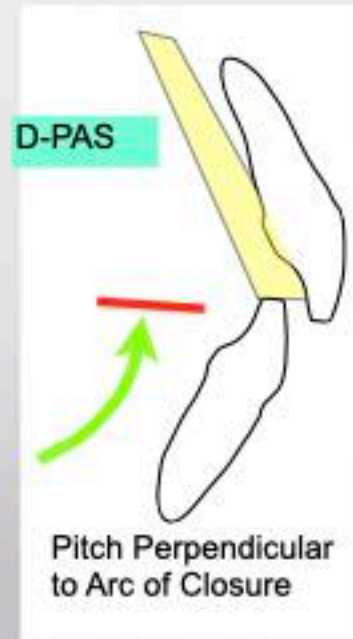
Sleep Clenching Inhibited: Wear D-PAS as night guard
Orthotic Improved Airway: D-PAS as night guard
Occlusal Muscle Disharmony: Occlusal Adjust

Worse- Increase in Symptoms

Mechanically Unstable TMJ, joint subluxation
Intracapsular Problem TMJ
Orthotic Made Sleep Airway Worse

Stays the Same- No Change in Symptoms

Damaged TMJ are mechanically stable
Pain not related to occlusion



Stapelmann H, Türp JC. The NTI-tss device for the therapy of bruxism, temporomandibular disorders, and headache.....BMC Oral Health. 2008 Jul PMID: 18662411

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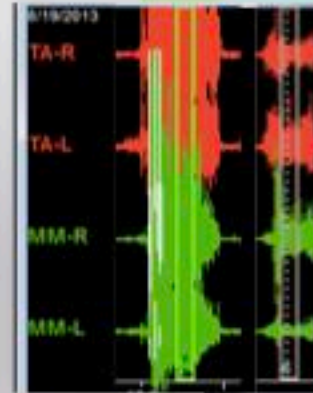
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BioResearch EMG

Patient with muscles inhibited by anterior only contact

	Clench MaxIC μV	Anterior Stop D-PAS μV
TA-R	100.6	15.7
TA-L	108.9	25.3
MM-R	115.4	25.5
MM-L	70.5	6.8



Major decrease in muscle power with D-PAS

Another Patient with muscles NOT inhibited by anterior only contact

	Clench MaxIC μV	Anterior Stop D-PAS μV
TA-R	82.2	77.9
TA-L	124.6	103.6
MM-R	185.0	169.0
MM-L	79.9	86.6

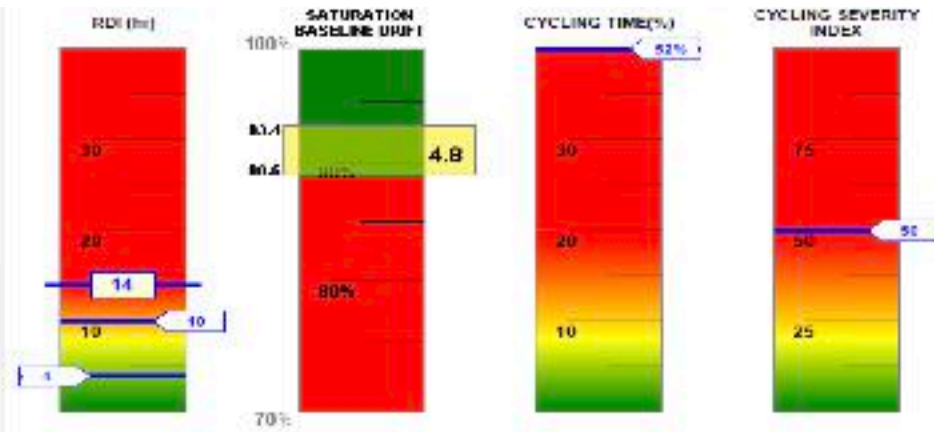
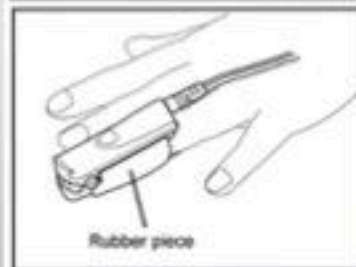
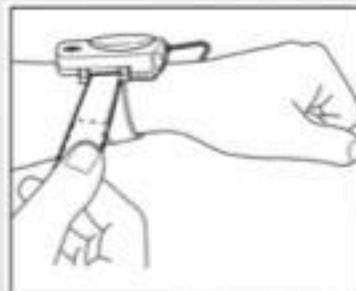


Muscle power same with D-PAS

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—Desaturations associated with Early Motion are Excluded in these calculations.
 —Physician should review the waveform and consider reviewing the report without the above exclusions.

OXYGEN SATURATION BASELINE ANALYSIS

Oxygen Saturation Baseline	
Drift(OSBG) (normal <= 3)	5
Initial Saturation Baseline	93
Lowest Saturation Baseline	89
Highest Saturation Baseline	93

Baseline is determined by the Mean SpO2 during 2 Minute window without Artifact and without Events.

PATTERN BASED REPORT

SpO2 Cycling

% Time in Cycling (Duration)	52%	(02:50:14)
Cycling Frequency	45	
96% - Lowest Sat	13	
Cycling Severity Index	58	

The total time oxygen saturation was <= 88% was: 00:13:39

TRADITIONAL REPORT

OD4:	11
Total OD4 Events:	58
Time in OD4 Events:	06:29:26
Avg OD4 Event Duration:	00:00:28
<=88% OD4 Events:	23
<=88% Longest Duration:	00:01:21
Minimum SpO2:	84
Avg Low 10% SpO2:	86
Avg Low SpO2:	89
Avg Low SpO2 <=88%:	87

Definition of OD4 Event: a fall in oxygen saturation of at least 4% and persisting greater than 3 seconds.

SpO2	DURATION	%TOTAL
94-100	06:16:37	9%
88-94	04:57:26	91%
80-88	00:13:39	4%
70-80	00:00:00	0%
<= 70	00:00:00	0%
Total	05:27:42	100%
Motion Artifact	00:00:07	0.04%
Error Signal	00:00:05	0.03%

Is there an airway issue? (Upper Airway Resistance or Obstructive Sleep Apnea)

"Sleep Airway Screening"



High Resolution
Pulse Oximetry

Data every 1
second average
over 3 seconds

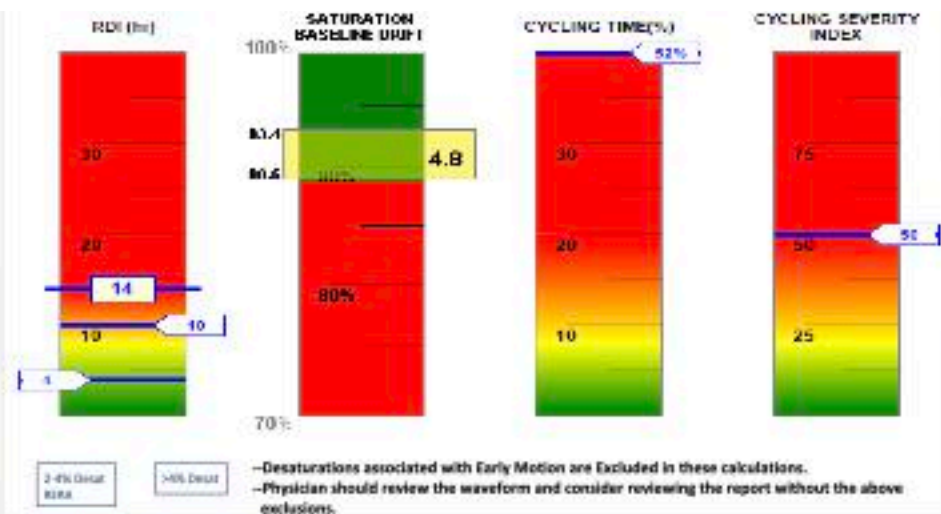


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PULSOX 300i, Konica Minolta no longer made



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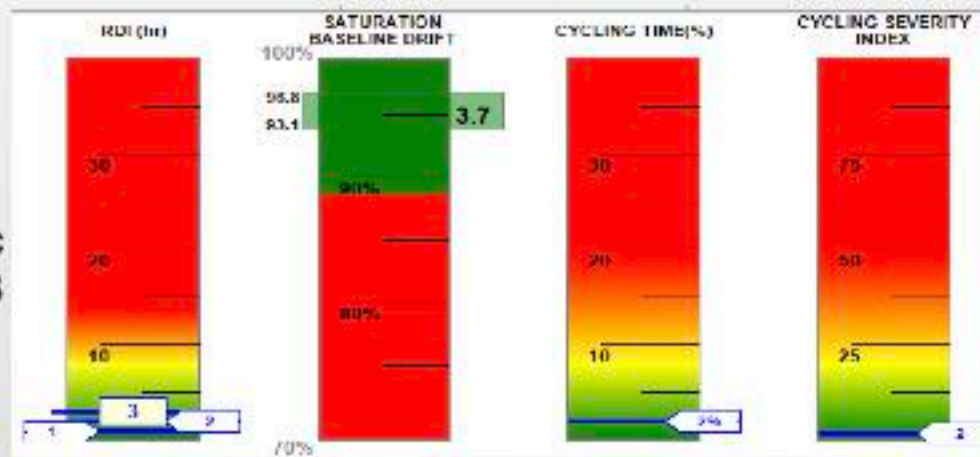
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Does the dental orthotic make the airway better or worse?

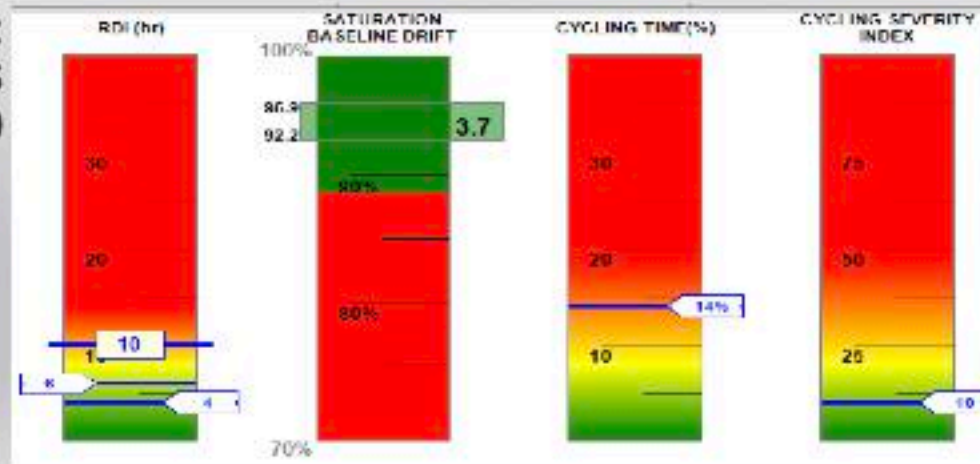
RDI= Respiratory Distress Index

Sometimes D-PAS makes airway better, sometimes worse

No dental orthotic
RDI = 3



Dental Orthotic:
Anterior Stop: D-PAS
RDI = 10



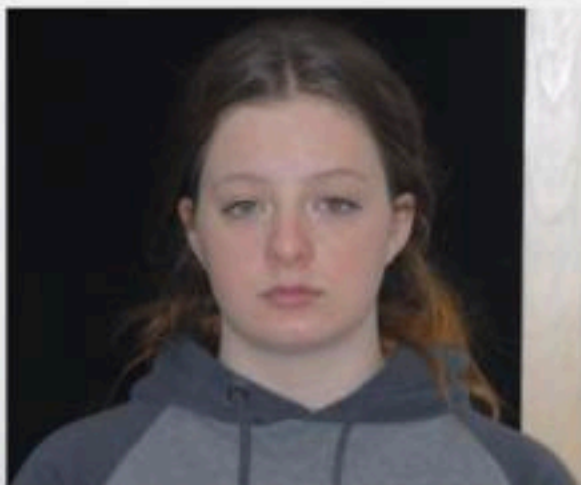
High Resolution
Pulse Oximetry

PULSOX 300i,
Konica Minolta
with data analysis
Patient Safety, Inc.

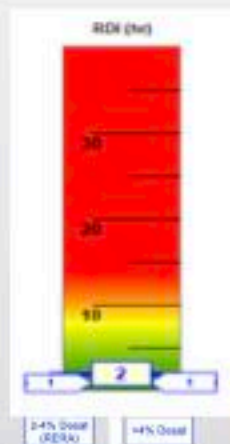
Age 16F
cc: Facial Pain, Excessive Daytime Fatigue



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Patient Safety Inc Pulse Ox Sleep Screening
 RDI = 2, Autonomic Arousals **31 /h**



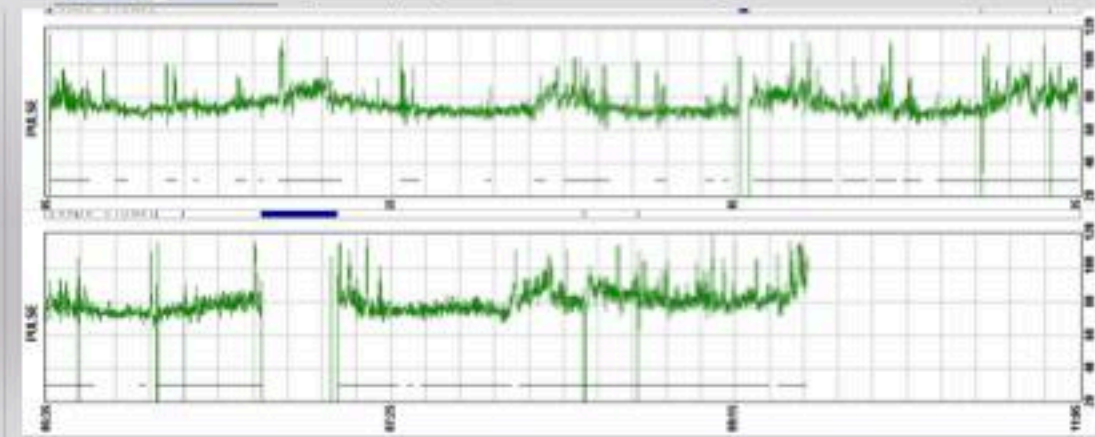
PULSE RATE DATA	
Autonomic Arousals	
Index (#/hr):	31
Pulse Rate Range	
Mean:	78
Min:	34
Max:	122
Tachycardia - Sleep (>90 bpm)	
Duration:	00:34:56
% (VRT):	6%
Bradycardia - Sleep (<50 bpm)	
Duration:	00:00:35
% (VRT):	0%



Heart Rate
 >90 bpm
 for 35 min

Medical Sleep Study in Lab RDI = 1
 Dx: Snoring without evidence of gas exchange abnormalities or sleep disruptions

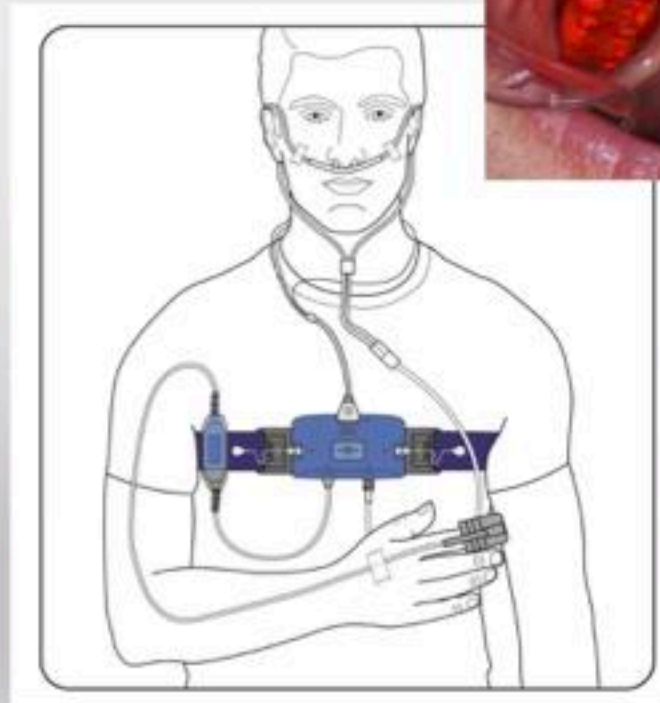
Sleep Latency Test
 Dx: Narcolepsy
 Recommend daytime medication



zMachine

zMachine + Brux Checker
+ Snore Lab

GENERAL
sleep



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Patient: M Y
 Study Date: 2018-09-27 Study ID: 1124990576
 3% Threshold

AHI: **8.9**
 AHI is how many times an hour your blood oxygen goes down.

RDI: **8.9**
 RDI is how many times an hour your sleep is disturbed due to respiration.

Date of Birth: 1988 Height: 63 inches
 Age: 20 Weight: 105 Pounds
 Sex: F BMI: 18.60 Note:

GENERAL
sleep
 Zmachine® Synergy
 Home Sleep Test Report
 Study Ordered by:
 John R. Droter, DOS
 Scored by: Computer

Study Details: Computer Generated Scoring

The following parameters were recorded using a Zmachine Synergy (General Sleep Corporation): EEG for sleep staging & arousals; respiratory inductance plethysmography for thoracic respiratory effort; pressure transducer for respiratory airflow & snore; pulse oximeter for SpO₂, pulse, & optical plethysmograph; and tri-axial accelerometer for body position. Hypopneas were scored per AASM recommended definition of 3% desaturation.

Times and Durations	
Lights off	2018-09-27 01:47:32
Lights on	2018-09-27 08:42:54
Total Recording Time (TRT)	596.8 min.
Time in Bed (TIB)	414.0 min. (81.7% of TRT) [6 hours 54 minutes.
Total Sleep Time (TST)	396.8 min. (95.9% of TIB)
Sleep Efficiency (SE)	95.9 % of TIB
Latency to Persistent Sleep (LPS)	8 min
Latency to Deep Sleep (LDEEP)	29 min
Latency to REM Sleep (LREM)	8.5 min
Total Light Sleep Time N1+N2	207.9 min. (52.4% of TST)
Total Deep Sleep Time N3+SWS	85.7 min. (21.6% of TST)
Total REM Time	82.2 min. (20.8% of TST)
SpO ₂ < 89% cumulative time	0 min.
SpO ₂ < 89% longest span	0 min.

Sleep Study Ranges of Normal
 Sleep Latency: 10-20 min
 Latency to REM Sleep: 10-20 min
 Sleep Efficiency: 85%

N1 2% - 5%
 N2 40% - 55%
 N3 Deep Sleep: 10% - 20%
 REM Sleep: 10% - 25%
 REM Latency: 10-20 min
 REM Latency: 10-20 min

REM to REM is about 90 min.
 4-6 cycle per night
 REM Latency longer as night goes on

Deep N3 SWS slow wave sleep in first third of night. Less as we age.

TST is the total duration of the recording. TIB is the elapsed time from lights off to lights on. TIB is the cumulative time scored as any stage of sleep. SE is 100*(TST/TIB) expressed as a percentage. AHI is apneas + hypopneas per hour of sleep time. RDI is apneas + hypopneas + REMs per hour of sleep time, and RDI is apneas + hypopneas + REMs per hour of recording time.

LPS is the elapsed time to the beginning of the first period in which 10 of 30 minutes are scored as any stage of sleep (i.e. the start of persistent sleep). LDEEP is the elapsed time to the beginning of first epoch of Deep Sleep, and LREM is the elapsed time to the beginning of first epoch of REM.

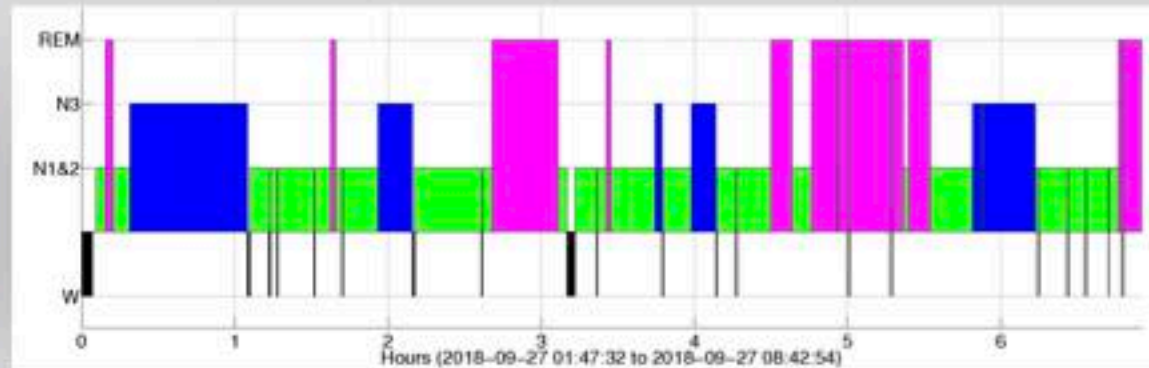
Awakenings During Sleep	
Wake After Sleep Onset (WASO)	13 min
≥ 1-Epoch Awakenings	18 (2.7 per sleep hour)
≥ 3-Epoch Awakenings	0 (0 per sleep hour)

WASO is the cumulative wake time following LPS. ≥ 1-Epoch Awakenings is the number of times the patient wakes for one epoch (i.e. 30 seconds) or more after LPS, and ≥ 3-Epoch Awakenings is the number of times the patient wakes for three epochs or more after LPS. This is a subset of a ≥ 1-Epoch

Respiratory Events

Body Position	72.1% Supine/hr	9.0
	0% Prone/hr	0
	12.9% Left/hr	4.5
	14.8% Right/hr	9.8

Sleep Stages



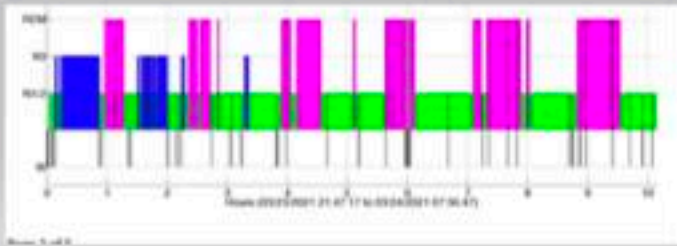
Sleep Simplified

1. Need adequate Deep and REM Sleep every night.
2. Need to get oxygen through the nose to lungs, unimpeded, all the time.
3. Parasympathetic Dominance in non REM Sleep

Sleep Complexity:

- Problems are Numerous.....
- Tests are Numerous.....
- Therapies are Numerous.....

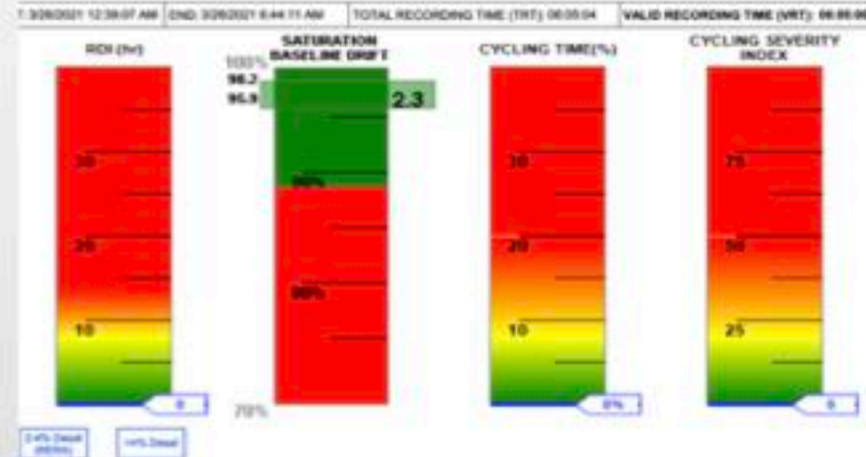
Always go to the back to basics:
 60+min Deep and 90+min REM
 Air from Nose to Lungs
 Large periods of calm, steady heart rate



AHI: 0.5
 AHI is how many times an hour your blood oxygen goes down.

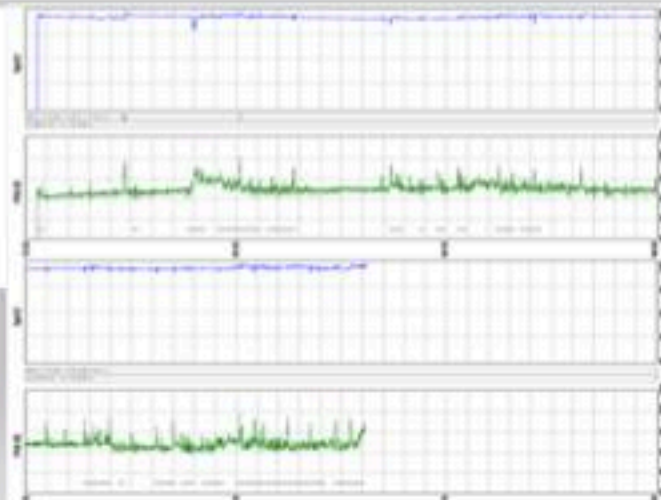
zMachine: Interrupted Deep and REM

Sat Screen by Patient Safety Inc



PULSE RATE DATA

Autonomic Arousal	
Index (#/hr):	23
Pulse Rate Range	
Mean:	69
Min:	58
Max:	102



Facial Pain Diagnosis

Diagnostic Tools

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 - Joint Palpation
 - Joint Auscultation
 - Joint Motion
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- 6 **CT Scan**
 - MRI
 - Blood Tests



Normal TMJ- Bone

Bone Density

Intact Cortex

Even pattern Trabecular bone

Normal Size/Shape Condyle/Fossa

Ovoid Condylar Shape

Non-Congruent Condyle/Fossa

Condyle 70% Size Fossa

Condyle Centered in Fossa

Coronal and Sagittal

Room for Disc

Stable CR load Zone

Condyle closest to fossa

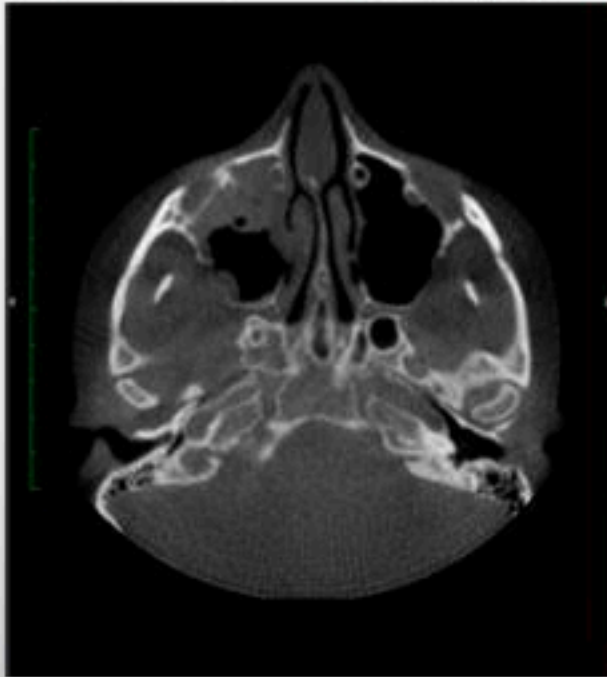
CT Scan
Coronal View



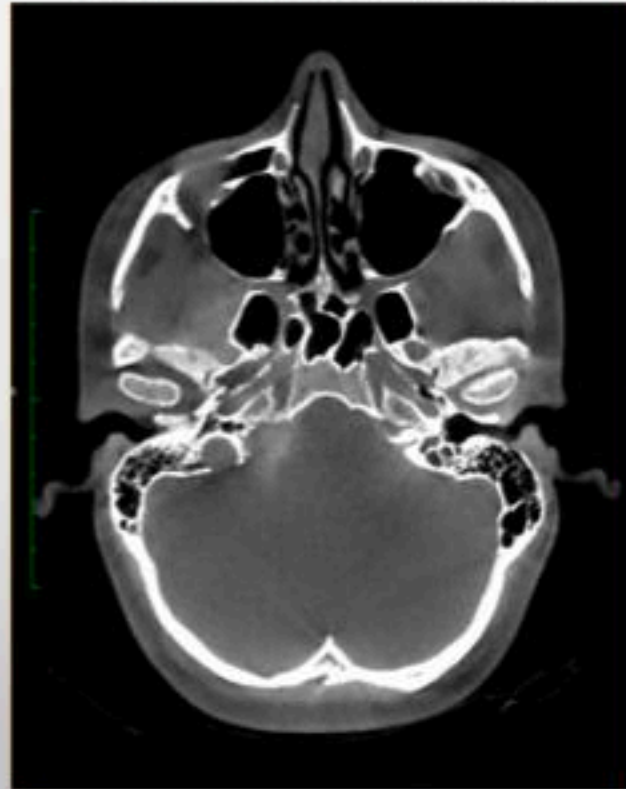
CT Scan
Sagittal View

Compare CT scans

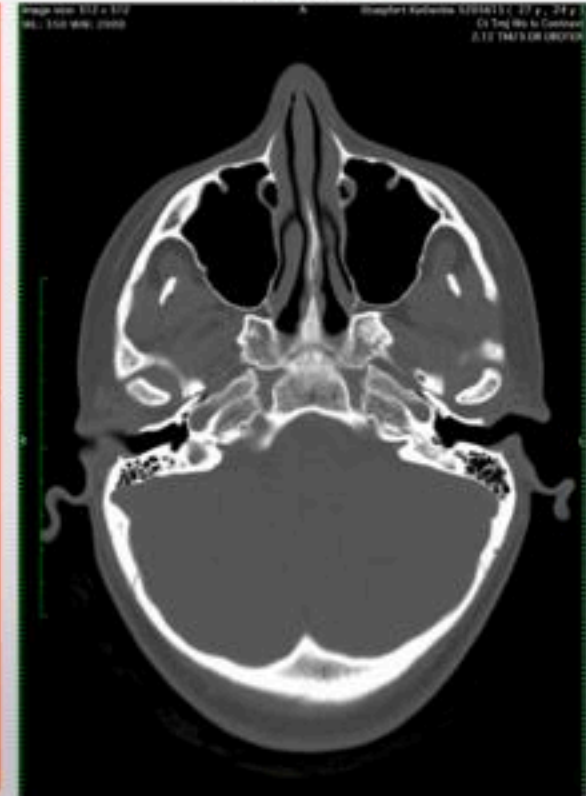
CBCT- iCAT



CBCT- Vatech i3D Premium



Spiral CT



Best Contrast
Much more radiation

Interpreting CBCT

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Review of Scan: CBCT

John R Droter, DDS

Name _____ Scan Date _____

Review Date: _____
Scan Quality: Good Fair Marginal

How to quickly scroll through axial, coronal, and sagittal for global impressions:

Right TMJ *Small Coronal Sagittal and Coronal Coronal*

Condyle: Normal Size Small condylar disc
 Normal Shape Abnormal condylar shape
 Cortex Intact Cortex not intact
 Cortex Even Hypertrophia

Fossa: Normal Size Small fossa size
 Normal Shape Flattened fossa shape
 Cortex Intact Cortex not intact

Condyle Position Centered in fossa Condyle distalized
 Joint spacing Room for disc No room for disc
 CR Lead Zone Superior medial Superior Lateral

Estimate Piper: R1 R2 R3a R3b R4a R4b R5a R5b
 Right TMJ Health: Healthy Damaged Active Degeneration Adapting Adapted

Left TMJ *Small Coronal Sagittal and Coronal Coronal*

Condyle: Normal Size Small condylar disc
 Normal Shape Abnormal condylar shape
 Cortex Intact Cortex not intact
 Cortex Even Hypertrophia

Fossa: Normal Size Small fossa size
 Normal Shape Flattened fossa shape
 Cortex Intact Cortex not intact

Condyle Position Centered in fossa Condyle distalized
 Joint spacing Room for disc No room for disc
 CR Lead Zone Superior medial Superior Lateral

Estimate Piper: L1 L2 L3a L3b L4a L4b L5a L5b
 Left TMJ Health: Healthy Damaged Active Degeneration Adapting Adapted

Swelling *Coronal View, Sagittal View, Axial View*

All Tissues Right = Left = Except _____
 Look for cancer Brain, Muscle, Parotid Submandibular Gland, Hypertrophy

All Bones Right = Left = Except _____
 Look for hypercalcified or radiolucent areas, cysts

Mand *(Sagittal, Cor)* Open Restricted Deviated Segment
 Sinuses Clear Thickened Lining Dense Polyps
 Airway Adequate Restricted
 Teeth *(Sagittal, Cor)* No PNP PNP # _____
(Axial) No Gross Caries

Perio *(Thick Sagittal)* No Gross Perio Bone Loss

Axis Appears Centered Not Level with Skull Base
 C2, C3, C4 Aligned Misaligned

Max Mand Relation Normal Sagittal Retrognathic Maxilla Mandible
 Max Mand Casting Normal Coronal Asymmetric Cast Maxilla Mandible

Impression: _____

Signature: _____

Review of Scan: CT/CBCT Guide

TMJ

Condyle

Fossa

Normal Size, Normal Shape, Cortex Intact
 Condyle is 30% size of the fossa with an oval shape. The condyle and fossa are congruent convex surfaces. The outer cortex of bone is a solid continuous line with no breaks. Look for areas of hypertrophia which are indicative of excess load in that area or damage and repair. The right and left TMJ should be the same size.

Condylar Position

Centered in fossa

The condyle should be centered in the fossa. A distalized condyle is indicative of either joint damage and disc dislocation anteriorly or heavy anterior tooth contact. An anteriorly positioned condyle is indicative of a large CR/CO discrepancy usually associated with an adapted mandibular retractor.

Joint Spacing

Centered in fossa

There should be room to "draw" a disc between the condyle and fossa.

CR Lead Zone (Centric Relation Lead Zone)

Superior medial

Ideally the condyle in its optimal load bearing position (Centric Relation) should load on the superior medial surface. In the coronal view the area where the condyle is closest to the fossa is the Centric Relation Lead Zone. A series of normal, i.e. both condyles load on the superior lateral surface. If the lead zones of the right and left do not match (i.e. one is medial the other lateral) this is indicative of joint damage and disc dislocation. Need to analyze for joint mechanical stability (joint wobble) with a D-PM. Clinically these patients may have a hypertrophia "bite".

Estimate Piper

This estimation combines clinical data from the clinical history, exam, joint palpation, microscope visualization, Doppler (JA) (Joint Vibration Analysis) and the CT scan. If the joint has a left distalized condyle and no clicking in either a Piper 4b or a health joint distalized due to heavy anterior contact (usually isotropic), in the case of the 4b, JA would show some slight "scratch vibrations", whereas a health TMJ distalized due to occlusion would show "smooth vibrations", and clinically have freeness on the anterior teeth.

1. Normal joint: MRI and CT are normal (See all above). No joint sounds, full range of motion, JA no vibrations, quiet Doppler.

2. The TMJ is damaged but disc is still in place so MRI and CT are normal. Usually the cartilage is damaged, roughened from parafunctional bruxing. Doppler and JA will both indicate slight vibrations. A well adapted 4b will also have the same vibratory signals as a Piper 2, but the 4b will show changes in condylar position on the CBCT, and the MRI will show the disc dislocation.

3. This is a partial dislocation of the disc, usually in an anterior medial direction with the lateral ligament being taut or stretched. The joint reduces on opening and will make a vibration, either a click or wobble on JNA. If a 2a is opposite a health joint there is not a change in occlusion so CT is normal. A Piper 2a is often contralateral to a 4b. With loss of the opposing disc, the mandible shifts coronally, the CR lead zone changes in both joints leading to 2a.

- 3a. Same as above except nonloading and therefore no clicking vibration. CT is normal.

4. The disc is fully displaced off the head of the condyle and reduces on opening. There will be a shifting of the mandible which can be seen on the CBCT. Condyle not centered in fossa. Clinically there will "click or wobble" vibration as the disc returns and subluxates. While most vibrations are in the audible range some may not be. These will be detected with JNA.

- 4b. The disc is fully displaced off the head of the condyle and does not reduce on opening. This will look the same on CBCT as a 4a. Condyle not centered in fossa. While limited opening may occur, many can have a full range of motion. Range of motion should not be a sole determining factor on whether a joint is 4b.

- 5a. Osteoarthritis. There will be changes to the condylar shape and cortex seen on the CBCT. Osteoarthritis is the inflammatory phase of Osteoarthrosis. Look for missing cortex indicative of active degeneration. The joint will be tender to palpation. An MRI is helpful in detecting extent of inflammation.

- 5b. Osteoarthrosis. There will be changes to the condylar shape and cortex seen on the CBCT. The Cortex however will be intact and the joint will not be tender to palpation. Hypertrophia will be seen having reinforced the damaged area. There is a loss of congruity as the condyle and fossa wear down and become flattened. Parafunctional tooth grinding increases OA bone wear.

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First do quick scroll through axial, coronal, and sagittal for global impression.

Right TMJ

Scroll Corrected Sagittal and Corrected Coronal

Condyle:

- | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Size | <input type="checkbox"/> Small condylar size | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Shape | <input type="checkbox"/> Altered condylar shape | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cortex Intact | <input type="checkbox"/> Cortex not intact | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cortex Even | <input type="checkbox"/> Hypercalcification | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Fossa:

- | | | |
|--|--|--------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Size | <input type="checkbox"/> Small fossa size | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Shape | <input type="checkbox"/> Flattened fossa shape | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cortex Intact | <input type="checkbox"/> Cortex not intact | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Condyle Position

- | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Centered in fossa | <input type="checkbox"/> Condyle distalized | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|--|---|--------------------------|

Joint spacing

- | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Room for disc | <input type="checkbox"/> No room for disc | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|--|---|--------------------------|

CR Load Zone

- | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Superior medial | <input type="checkbox"/> Superior Lateral | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|--|---|--------------------------|

Estimate Piper:

- | | | | | | | | |
|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| R1 | R2 | R3a | R3b | R4a | R4b | R5a | R5b |
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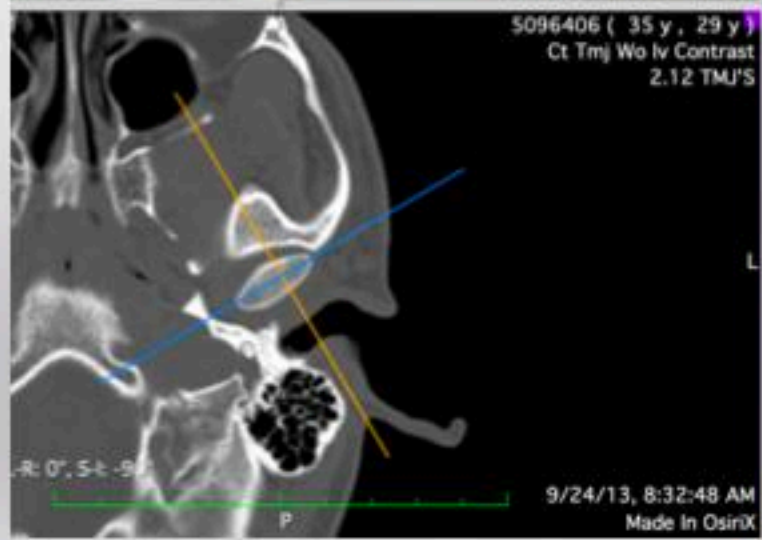
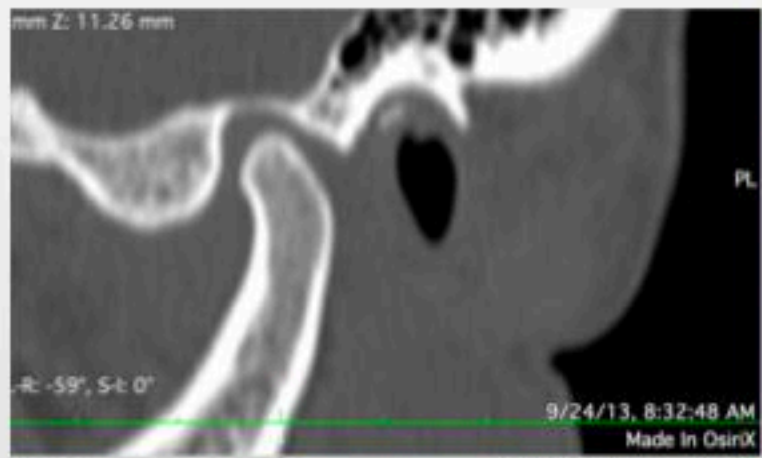
Right TMJ Health:

- | | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Healthy | <input type="checkbox"/> Damaged | <input type="checkbox"/> Active Degeneration |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Adapting | <input type="checkbox"/> Adapted |

CT Left Piper 2 from MRI

- Condyle:
 - Normal Size
 - Normal Shape
 - Cortex Intact
 - Cortex Even
- Fossa:
 - Normal Size
 - Normal Shape
 - Cortex Intact
- Condyle Position
 - Centered in fossa
- Joint spacing
 - Room for disc
- CR Load Zone
 - Superior medial

- Hypercalcification
- Condyle distalized
- Superior Lateral



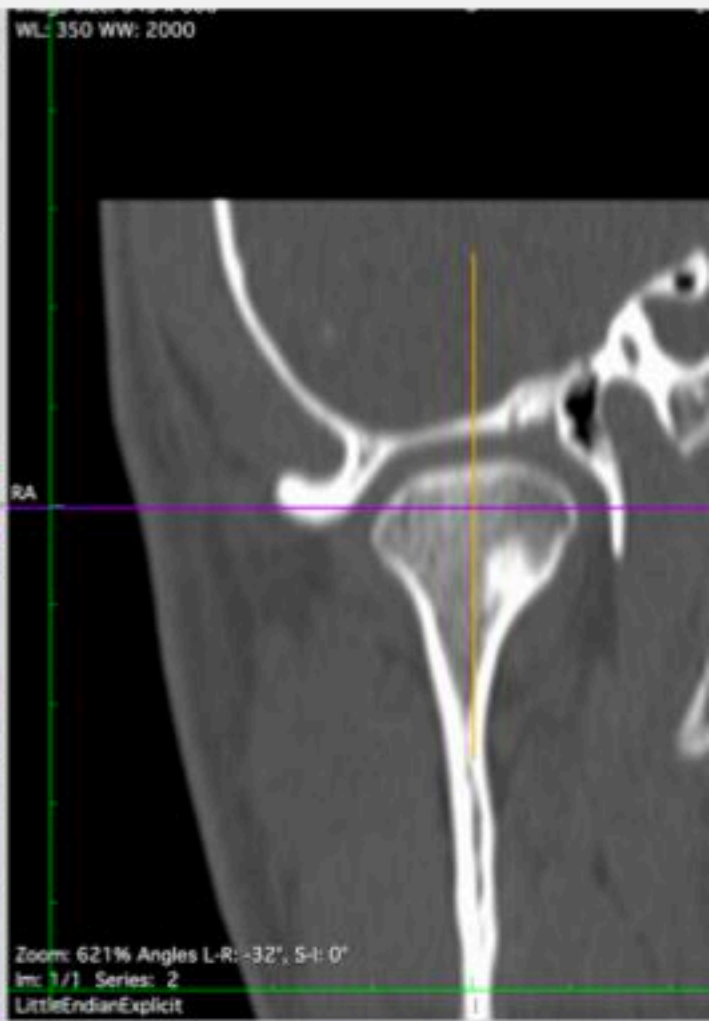
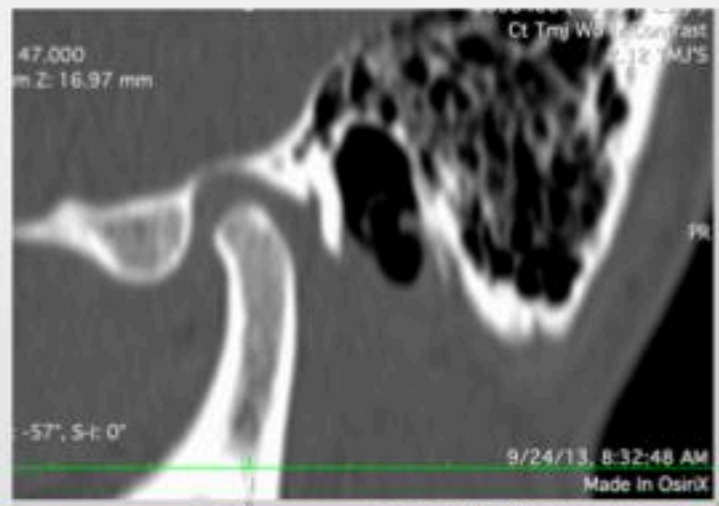
CT Right Piper 4a-e from MRI

- Condyle:
 - Normal Size
 - Normal Shape
 - Cortex Intact
 - Cortex Even
- Fossa:
 - Normal Size
 - Normal Shape
 - Cortex Intact
- Condyle Position Centered in fossa
- Joint spacing Room for disc
- CR Load Zone Superior medial

Hypercalcification

Superior Lateral

Note: Large joint space



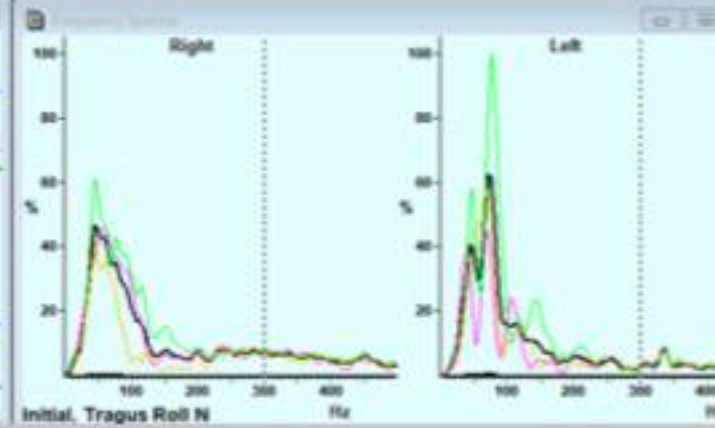
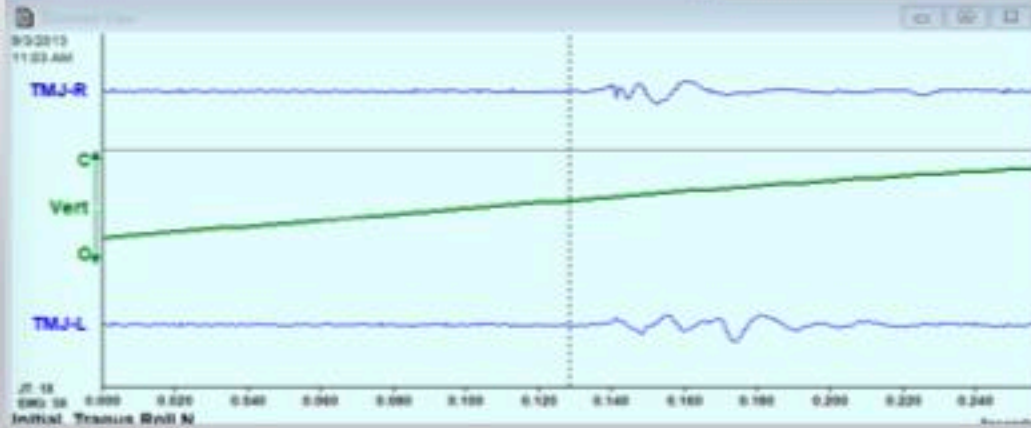
Slight Wobble
before tooth
contact

Joint
subluxation
on movement



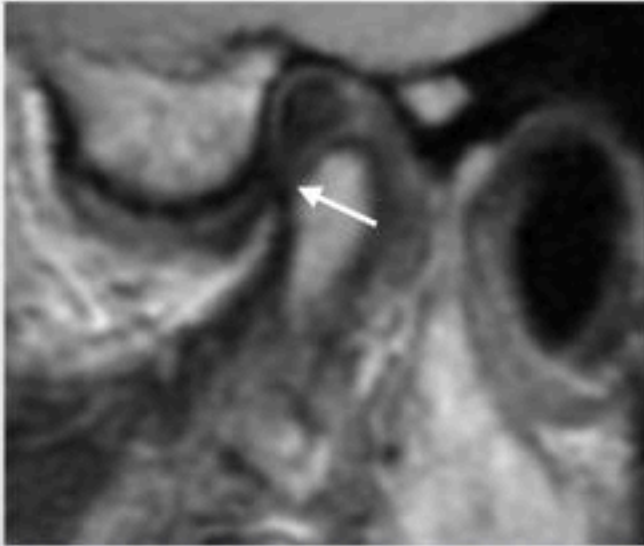
Clinical
Relevance?

Early damage
from
parafunction



MRI
R4a-e, L2

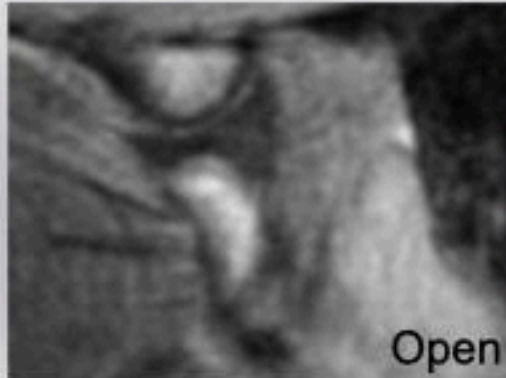
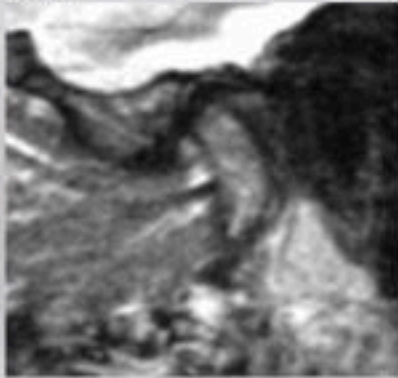
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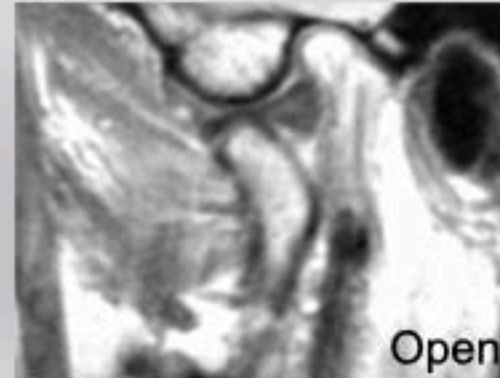
Left
PD Closed



Stir



Stir



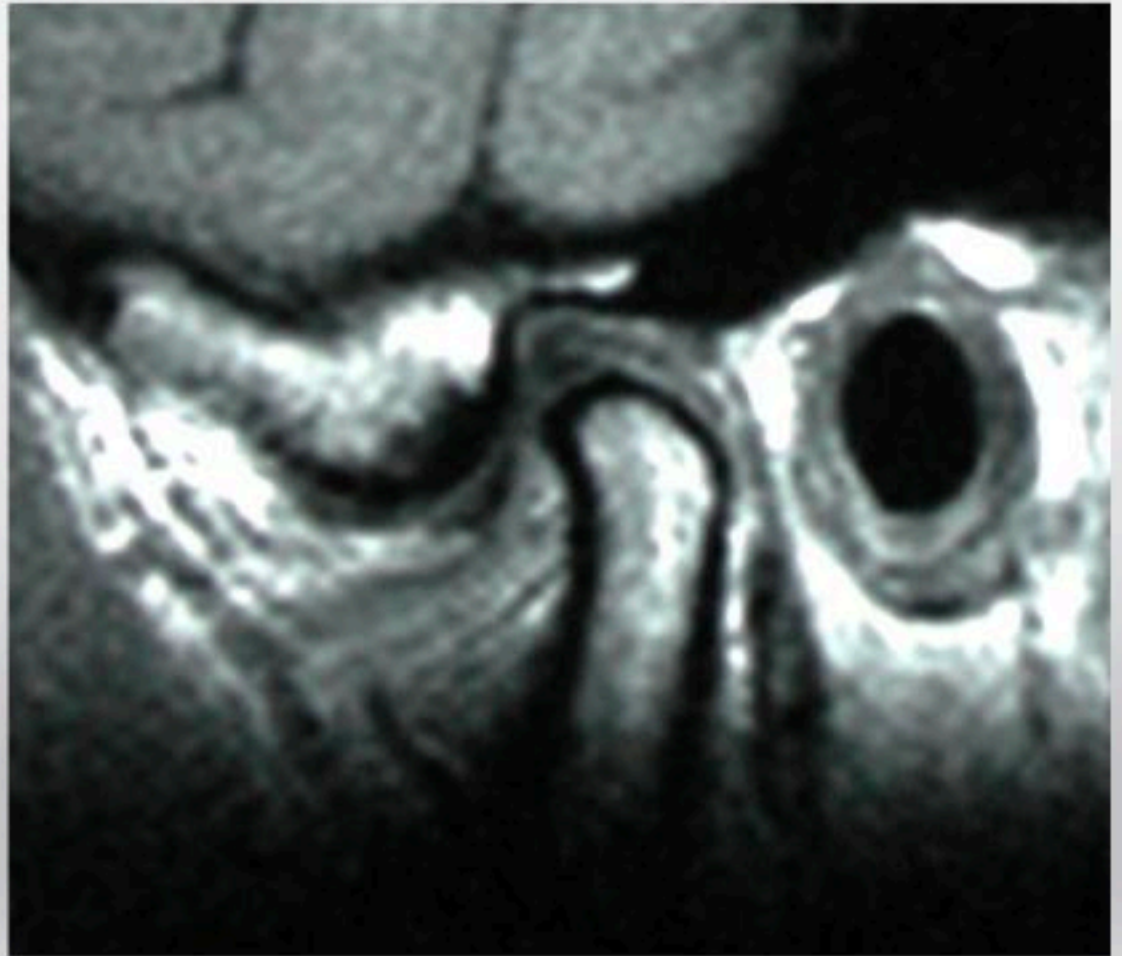
Facial Pain Diagnosis

Diagnostic Tools

- 1 Written and Oral History
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 - Joint Palpation
 - Joint Auscultation
 - Joint Motion
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- 6 CT Scan

MRI

Blood Tests

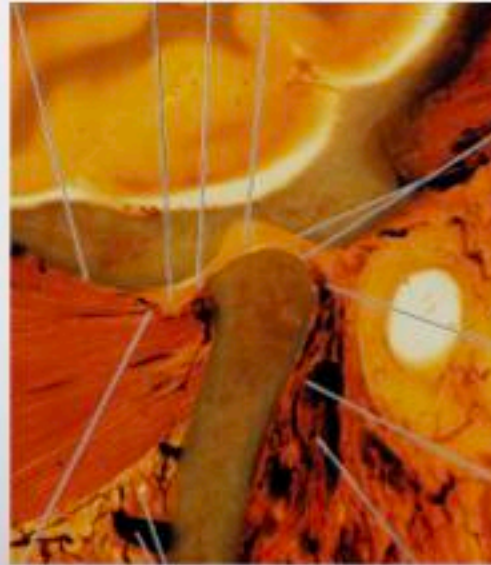
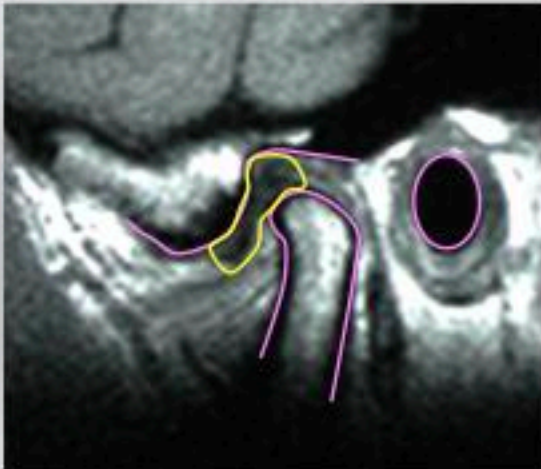


Short

T1 Inverted

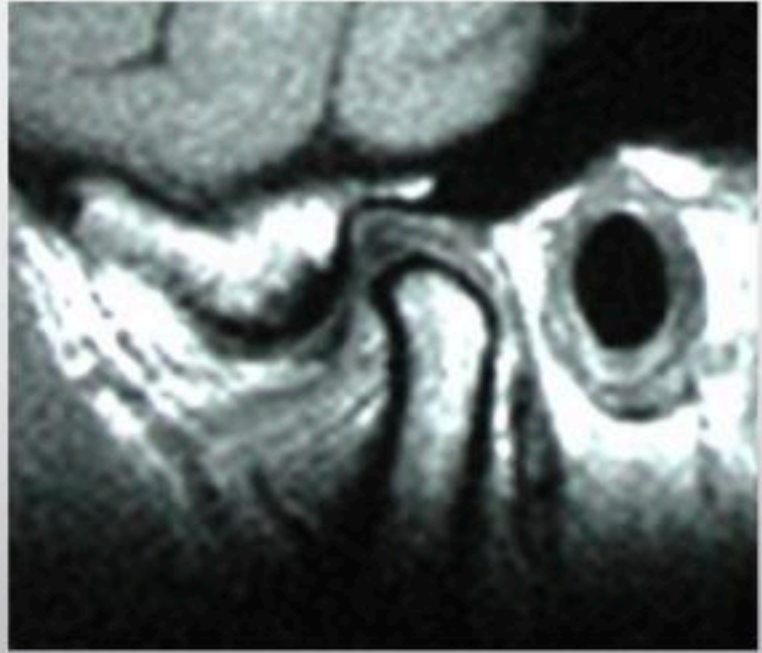


T1 Sagittal Closed



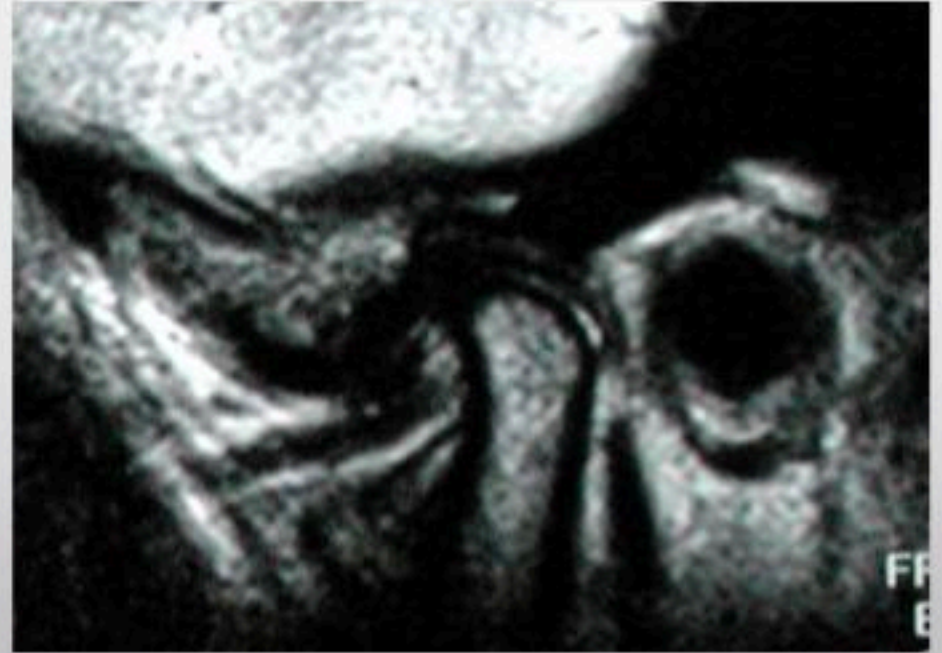
Normal MRI T1 and T2

T1 Sagittal Closed



T1 shows more fat

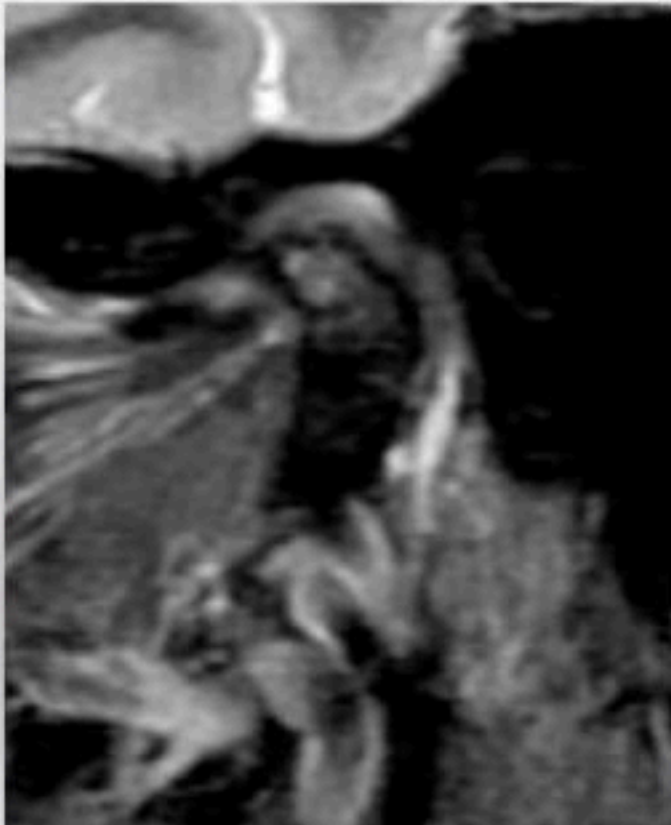
T2 Sagittal Closed



T2 shows more water:
Inflammation
Pathology

MRI STIR Image

STIR- Short T1 Inversion Recovery



STIR- "Supercharged" T2

Retrodiscal Inflammation

Marrow Edema

Diff Dx is active AVN, Osteoarthritis, Lyme Ds, RhA, Hypoxic Progressive Condylar Resorption, Other.

STIR and T2 shows water as white

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Biometrics

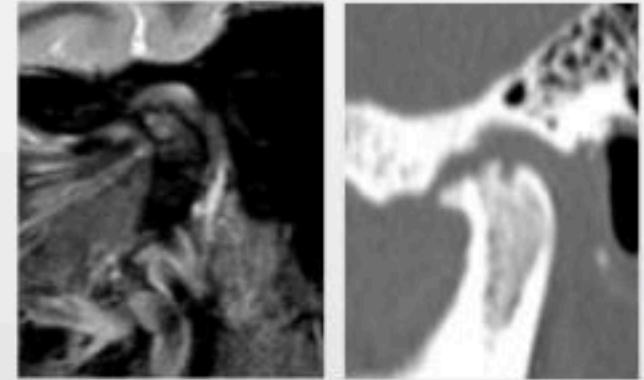
- Joint Vibration
- Jaw Tracker

- Electromyography
- T-Scan

- 4 Anterior Stop Test
- 5 Sleep Airway Screening
- 6 CT Scan

- MRI
- Blood Tests

- Occlusion: CR Mounted Study Models
- Complete Dental Exam
- Clinical Photographs
- Dx Blocks
- Dx Orthotics- Brux Checker, CR Orthotic



Blood Work

CMP- Complete Metabolic Panel non-fasting
 Iron Panel
 Vitamin D
 hs-CRP- High Sensitivity Reactive Protein

~~___ CMP Fasting~~ Complete Metabolic Panel, Chem 14, ~~Fasting Glucose~~

___ Total Iron, Serum
 ___ TIBC Total Iron-Binding Capacity
 ___ Ferritin, Serum
 ___ % Transferrin Saturation

___ Vitamin D, 25(OH) and 1,25 Dihydroxy (LC/MS technique)
 ___ Vitamin B12
 ___ Homocysteine

___ hs-CRP High Sensitivity C-Reactive Protein
 ___ ESR, Westergren Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate, Westergren

___ HbA1C Hemoglobin A1c, Glycated hemoglobin
 ___ Fasting Insulin

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Lab: _____ Blood, Urine Tests

Patient: _____

Dr. Order: 478033 Fatigue 478033 Upper Urinary Tract Infection

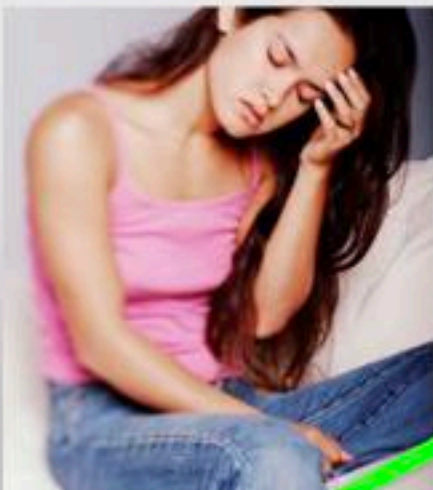
___ CBC w/ Diff Complete Blood Count with white cell differential
 ___ RBC Count Red Blood Cell Count
 ___ CMP Fasting Complete Metabolic Panel Chem 14, Fasting Glucose
 ___ Phosphorus, Serum
 ___ Calcium, Serum
 ___ Creatinine w/ BUN/CO2/CURC
 ___ HbA1C Hemoglobin A1c, Glycated Hemoglobin
 ___ Fasting Insulin
 ___ Total Iron, Serum
 ___ TIBC Total Iron-Binding Capacity
 ___ Ferritin, Serum
 ___ % Transferrin Saturation
 ___ Vitamin D, 25(OH) and 1,25 Dihydroxy (LC/MS technique)
 ___ Vitamin B12
 ___ Homocysteine
 ___ hs-CRP High Sensitivity C-Reactive Protein
 ___ ESR, Westergren Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate, Westergren
 ___ TSH Thyroid Stimulating Hormone
 ___ Free T4
 ___ Free T3
 ___ T3 Resin Uptake
 ___ Thyroid Antibodies Thyroid Peroxidase Antibodies
 ___ Thyroglobulin Antibodies
 ___ Basic Lipid Panel
 ___ LDL Low Density Lipoprotein
 ___ Lipoprotein(a) [Lp(a)]
 ___ HDL High Density Lipoprotein
 ___ TG Triglycerides
 ___ Fasting Insulin
 ___ HbA1C Hemoglobin A1c, Glycated Hemoglobin
 ___ Fasting Insulin
 ___ HbA1C Hemoglobin A1c, Glycated Hemoglobin
 ___ Fasting Insulin

This blood test requires fasting when there is a risk for 12 hours. Water is OK and recommended. Only if needed.

John R. Oates, MD

Diagnosis Treatment Flow Chart

From a patient perspective they want to go from symptoms to no symptoms



Symptoms

History

Signs

Doctor Exam

Differential Diagnosis

Diagnostic Tests

Specific Working Diagnosis

Treatment

No Signs

No Symptoms
Final Dx

Doctor Re-Exam

If not resolved

Symptom Dx

Tooth Pain
Arthralgia

vs
vs

Specific Dx

Irreversible Pulpitis
Osteoarthritis