

# Management of Proximal Hamstring Injuries

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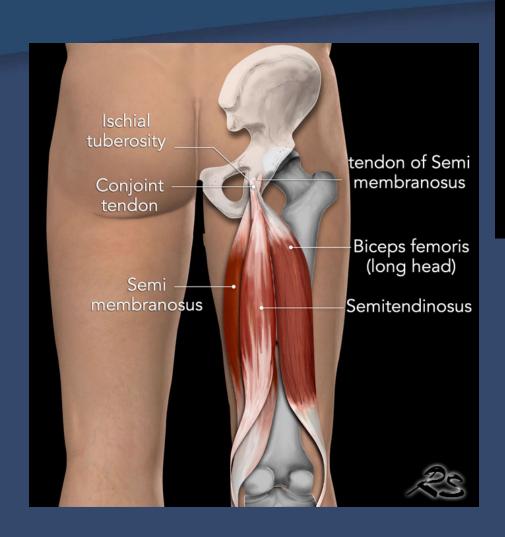
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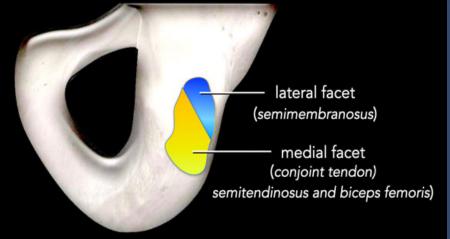
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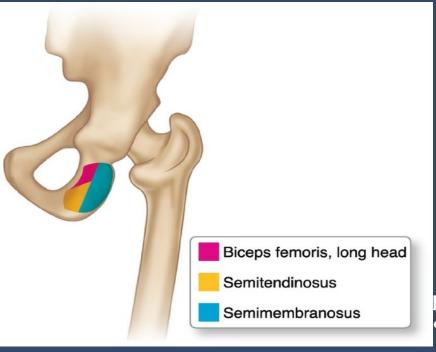
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### **Anatomy**









### Classification

- Type 1: Osseous Avulsion (apophyseal)
- Type 2: Myotendinous Junction Avulsion
- Type 3: Incomplete Avulsion From Bone
- Type 4: Complete w/o Retraction
- Type 5: Complete with Retraction



# Type 1: Osseous Avulsion (apophyseal)

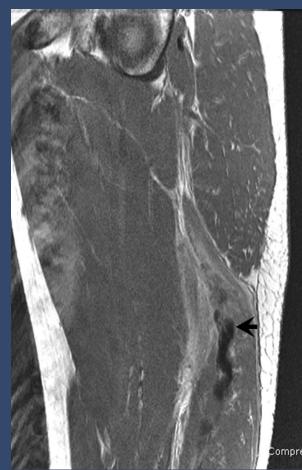




# Type 2: MTJ (a,b,c)

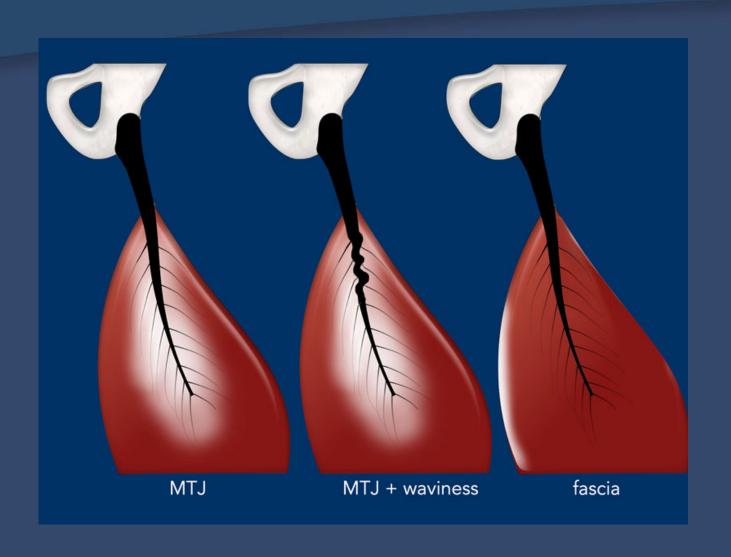






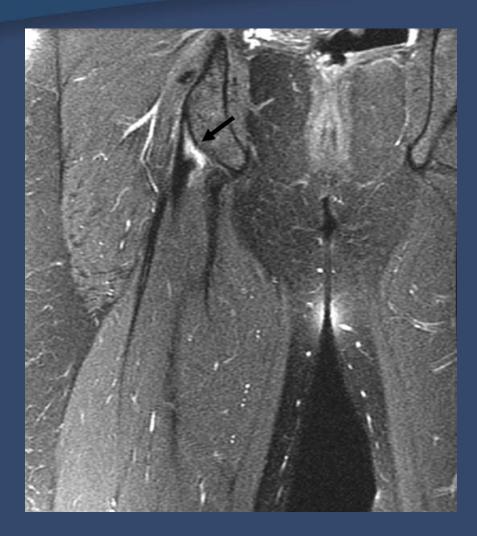


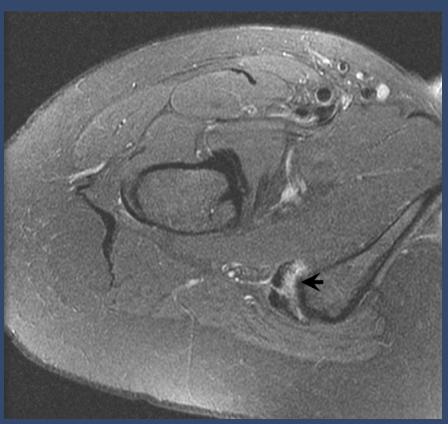
### **Myotendinous Variants**





# Type 3: Incomplete (1-2/3 Tendon Avulsion From Bone)





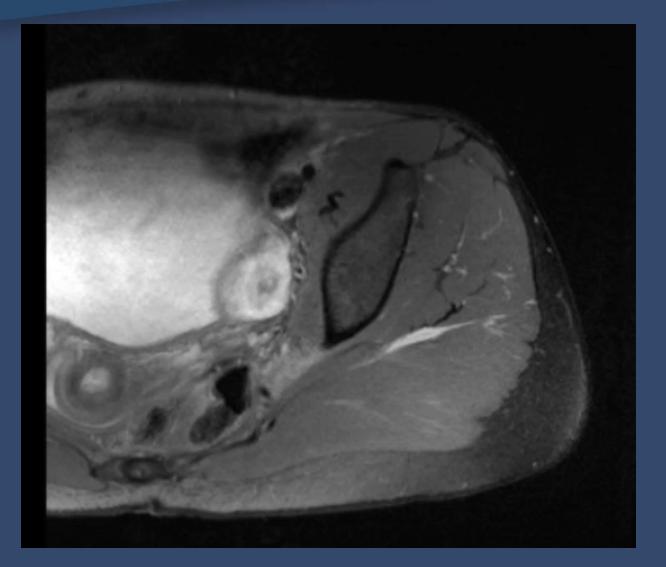


# Type 3: Chronic Tendinopathy





# Type 4: Full Avulsion With/ Without Retraction





### **Treatments**

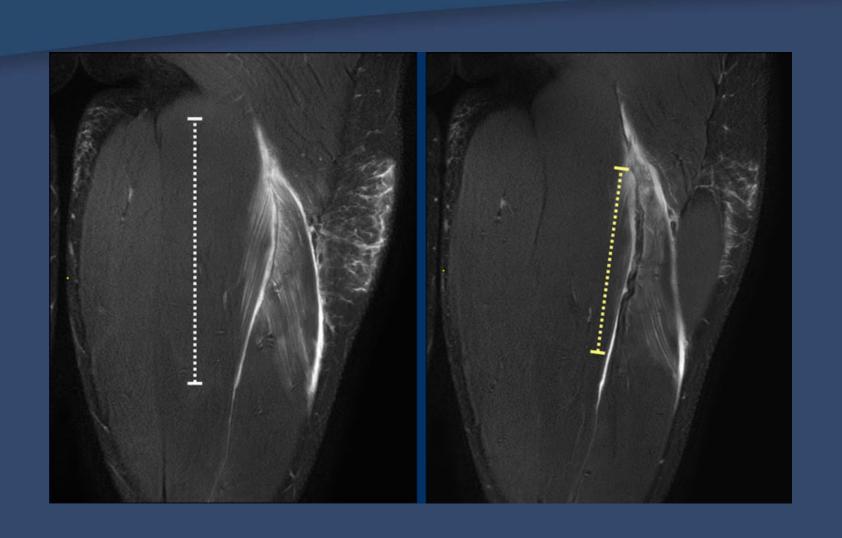
- PT
- Acupuncture
- PRP/ Injection Therapy
- Endoscopic Repair
- Open surgical repair with or without bio-inductive augment



### MRI Muscular Strain Grading Scale

Grade	MRI
Grade 0	<ul><li>MRI normal or</li><li>Patchy high signal in one or more muscles.</li></ul>
<b>Grade 1</b> small tear	<ul><li>High signal cross section &lt;10%</li><li>Length &lt; 5 cm</li><li>Fibre architectural disruption &lt; 1cm</li></ul>
<b>Grade 2</b> moderate tear	<ul><li>High signal cross section 10% - 50%</li><li>Length 5 -15cm</li><li>Fibre architectural disruption &lt; 5cm</li></ul>
<b>Grade 3</b> extensive tear	<ul><li>High signal cross section &gt; 50%</li><li>Length &gt;15cm</li><li>Fibre architectural disruption &gt; 5cm</li></ul>
<b>Grade 4</b> full-thickness tear	- Complete discontinuity of tendon or muscle with retraction







## **Myotendinous Confusion**



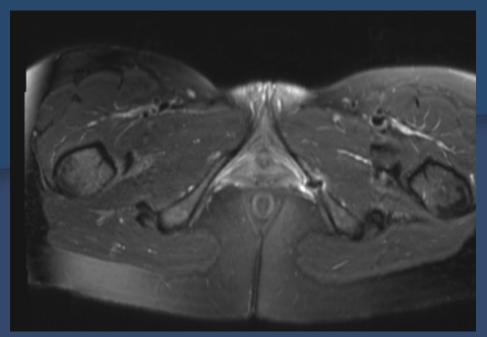


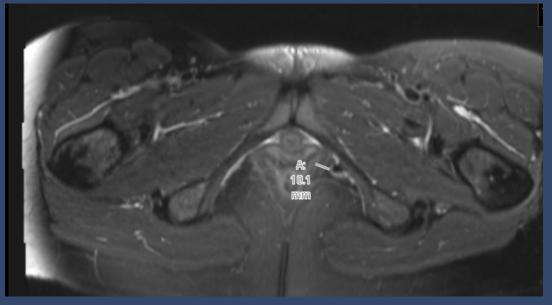
### **Presentation**



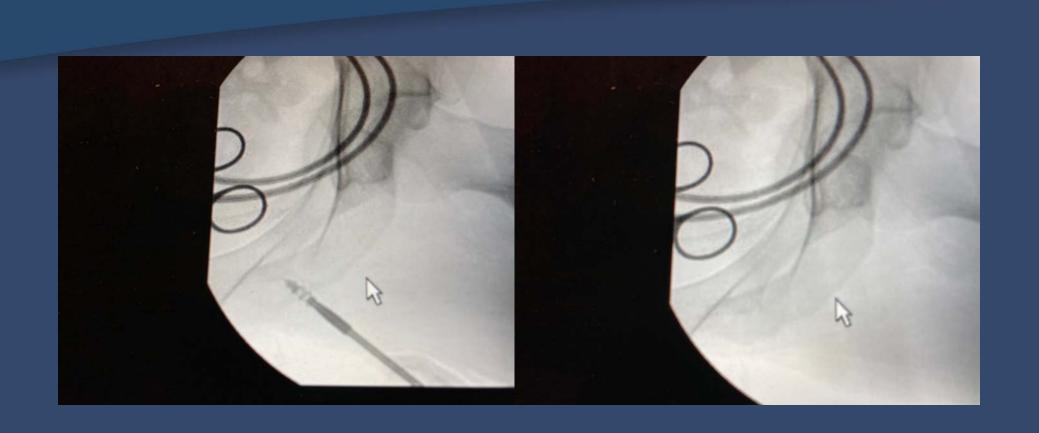






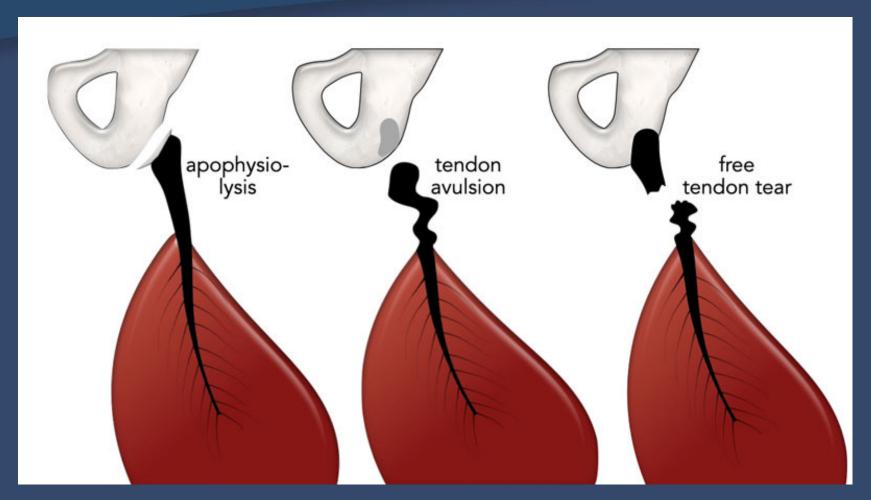








### **Avulsion Variants**





### Free Tendon vs. Clean Tendon Avulsion







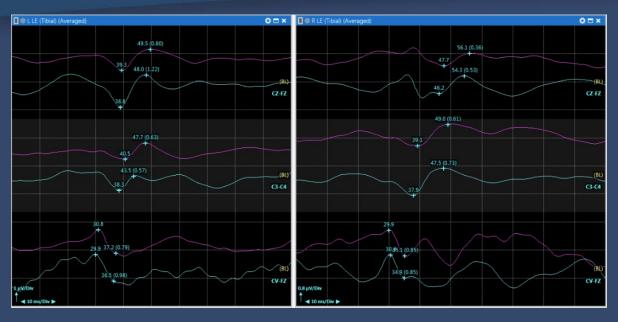
# **Surgical Repair Preparation**

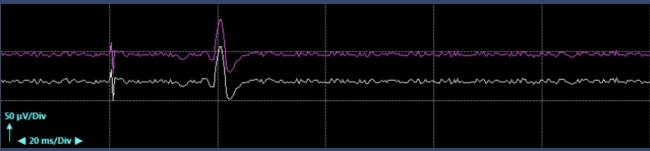
- Rule out preop DVT
- Document nerve fxn preop



### **Neuromonitoring**

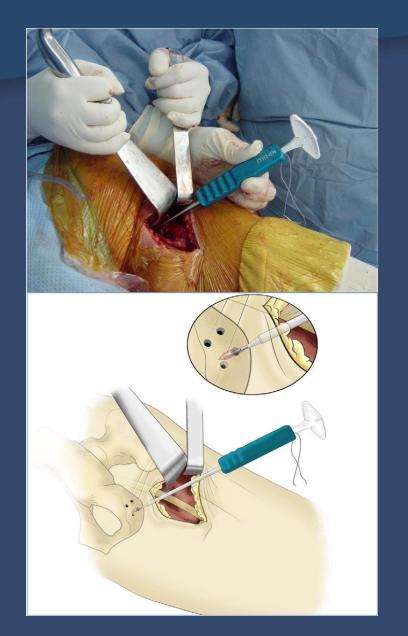


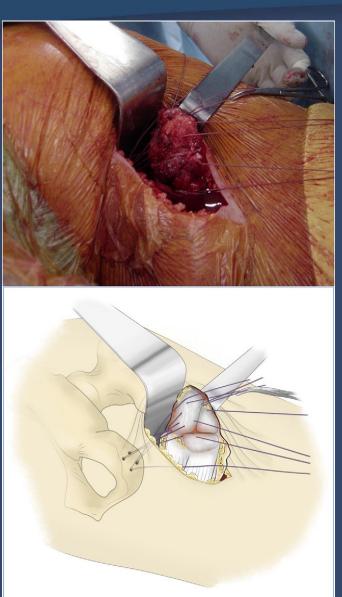






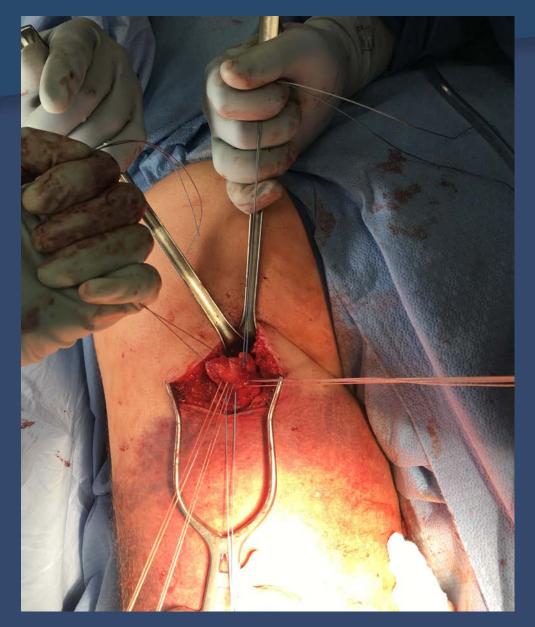
### **Suture Anchors into Ischium**

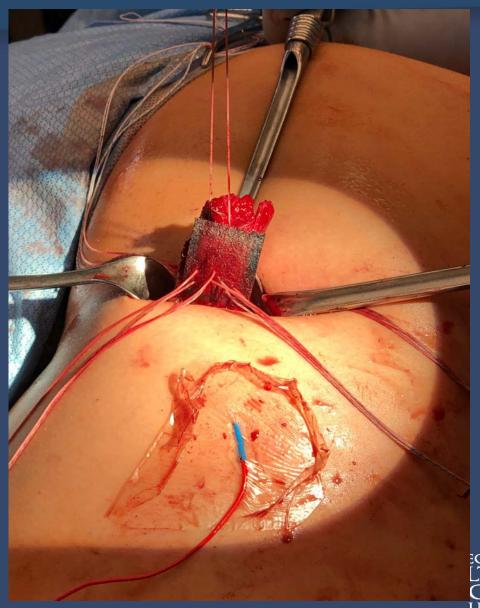




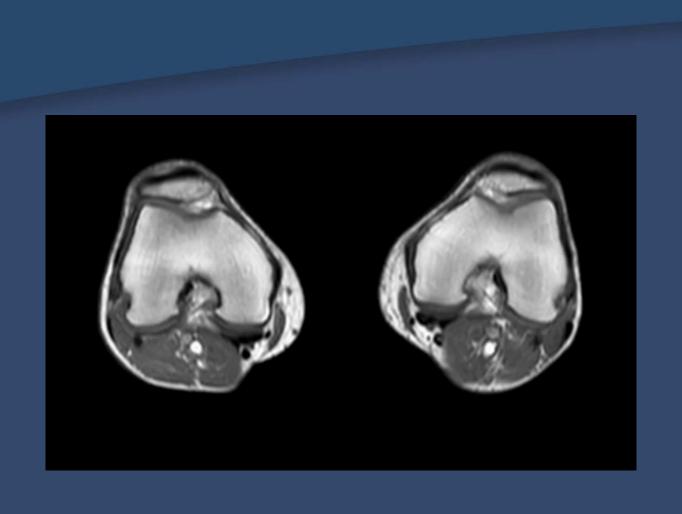


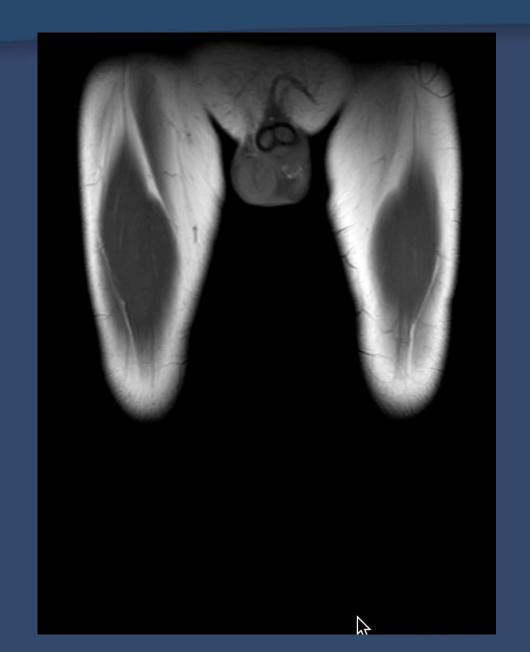
## **Pass Sutures**





### **Vascular Occlusion**



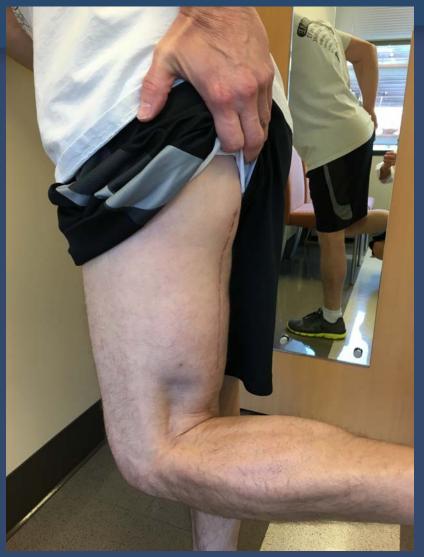
















#### **REVIEW ARTICLE**

**3** OPEN ACCESS



### A systematic review of surgical intervention in the treatment of hamstring tendon ruptures: current evidence on the impact on patient outcomes

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- 24 Articles Included
- Acute/Chronic/Partial/Full
- 96% open, 4% endoscopic
- 24/1600 used allograft or other augment



### Satisfaction (50%)/ Return to Sport (62%)

- 89% pts Satisfied
- 80% returned to sports at the same level
- 15.69% complication rate

<b>Table 3.</b> Complications 1 string avulsions.	for operatively treated	ham-
	Incidence, %	No.
Rerupture	0.69	11
Reoperation	0.50	8
Infection/wound complications	2.21	35
Neurologic complications	3.91	62
Peri-incisional numbness	2.65	42
DVT/PE	0.57	9
Miscellaneous	5.17	82
Total	15.69	249



### **Acute vs Chronic**

### • 502 Acute/313 Chronic

	Acute	Chronic
Satisfaction	95%	77%
Return to Sport	92%	85%

**Table 4.** Complications for operatively treated acute and chronic hamstring avulsions.

	Acute, %	No.	Chronic, %	No.
Rerupture			1.06	2
Reoperation	0.33	1		
Infection/wound complications	1.99	6	1.06	2
Neurologic complications	1.66	5	9.04	17
Peri-incisional numbness	5.32	16	2.13	4
DVT/PE	0.66	2	1.06	2
Miscellaneous	3.99	12	10.64	20
Total	13.95	42	25.00	47



# **Partial vs Complete**

	Partial	Complete
Satisfaction	87%	92%
Pain Score VAS	3.76	1.87
Return to Sports	78%	81%
Strength testing	89%	88%



### **Summary**

- Generally good results with proximal hamstring repair surgery
- Few studies quantified strength outcomes
- Peri-incisional numbness and discomfort with prolonged sitting were most likely residual findings



### **Operative Rehab**

- Phase I (weeks 1-4)
- Goals:
- Protection of repair
- -Pain control
- Precautions:
- -TTWB 10-14 days
  - -Begin 25% weightbearing at 14 days and increase 25% a week until full weightbearing at week 5
- -Wear brace for 28 days at degrees to be set by surgeon
- -Avoid hip flexion coupled with knee extension, NO stretching of the hamstring
- Exercises:
  - -Quad set, ankle pump, transverse abdominal activation, passive knee motion with the hip in neutral, scar mobilization



#### Phase II (weeks 4-8)

#### Goals:

- -Normalize gait and wean assistive device
- -Good control and no pain with functional movements

#### **Precautions:**

- -Avoid dynamic stretches
  - -Avoid static hamstring stretching and long sitting until 6 weeks

#### **Exercises:**

- -Initiate aquatic walking and ROM
- -Closed chain exercises with limited ROM: balance and proprioception, heel raises, hip extension, quadruped rocking
  - -Begin single joint hamstring activation in a limited ROM avoid combined hip flexion and knee extension. Progress from isometric hamstring sets to heel slide, DL bridge, and begin sidelying active knee flexion at week 6
- -Core and pelvis strengthening: clamshells, planks, standing hip adduction abduction
- -Stationary bike with no resistance
- -Begin Alter-G at 50% weightbearing when out of brace week 4



# Progression criteria; Normal gait with no assistive device -5/5 hamstring strength in prone (or dynamometer at % uninvolved side)

- Phase III (weeks 8-12)
- Goals:
- -Progress strength for motor control and pain control with return to activity
- Precautions:
- -No pain with strength training
- Exercises:
- -Progress strength training for HS curls and hip extension in antigravity with focus on low weight and high reps until able to complete 10 lbs with adding weight in 1 pound increments
  - - Initiate SLR, wall slides, partial squats, partial lunges (0-60), SAQ, hip strengthening
- -Gentle HS stretching
- -Dynamic walking activities: resisted side stepping, grapevine



### **Take Home Points**

- Proximal Hamstring Injuries are often missed acutely
- Not everyone bruises
- DVT due to swelling/bleeding can happen
- Early Surgery has lower complication rate
- Chronic Tears can still benefit from surgery if nonop tx fails



## **Thank You**







### Rehab Protocols-FB Player Study

A Regeneration Phase			
Variable	Test	Criteria for Progression	
Pain after injury	Prone with knee flexed to $15^{\circ}$ (10)	No pain	
Isolated strength at long muscle lengths	Prone with knee flexed to 15° (21)	< 10% asymmetry	
Neural deficiencies	Slump test (6)	No pain	
Hamstring flexibility	Active knee extension (AKE) test (31)	< 10% asymmetry	
Hip flexor flexibility	Modified Thomas test (MTT) (17)	+5 symmetry below horizontal	
Regeneration Phase Training  Passed Criteria  Functional Phase			



### Regen Phase Rehab





### Functional Phase

Variable	Test	Criteria for Progression	
Pain	Palpation (10)	No pain	
Peak torque (H/H) and conventional ratio (H/Q)	Isokinetic knee flexion/extension at 60°·s <sup>-1</sup> (8)	< 10% H/H and H/Q > 0.45 (Biodex) or > 0.47 (Cybex)	
Hip extension strength	Prone hip extension (37)	< 10% asymmetry between legs	
Distance	Triple hop test (16)	< 10% asymmetry between legs	
Endurance (Repetition number)	Single leg bridge test (13)	> 25 and < 10% asymmetry between legs	
Torsion capabilities	ASLR test (22)	No compensations	
Insecurity and Pain	Askling H-test (2, 3)	No pain and insecurity	
No Yes			
Functional Phase Training	Passed Criteria	Return to Sport	



### **Functional Phase Rehab**



