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Evaluation of Differentiate Variables in Patients with First-episode

Acute Low Back Pain of Healthy Subjects

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Abstract

Introduction: Many researchers believed that in patients with low back pain, secondary prevention because of its possibility is more important than primary prevention. The most cost be used for patients who will have disability, finding disability preventing variables predictor can be very important.

Objective: Comparison of patients with first-episode acute low back pain and healthy subjects in order to finding differentiate variables.

Materials and Methods: In this experimental case-control study were selected two groups including patients with first episode low back patients (n=32) and normal subjects (n=51). Studied variables were thickness of rectus abdominis muscles, obliques externous muscles, obliques internous muscles, transversus abdominis muscles (measured by ultrasonography), Lumbo-pelvic stability (measured by pressure biofeedback) and muscle endurance.

Results: Mean flexor endurance was (143secound), mean extensor endurance was(240.58 secound) and lumbopelvic stability was(7.30) in normal group. These variables were 47.61, 62.71 and 4.81 in patient group. These three variable had significant statistically differences. The mean of Thickness of transverses abdominis in patient group is less than normal group and rectus abdominis thickness in patient group is more than normal group but these differences were not significant.

Conclusions: Endurance, lumbo-pelvic stability and muscle thickness may be change not only after chronic low back pain but also after first episode acute low back pain.

Kev words: Abdominal Muscle/ Back Pain/ Ultra Sonography