Predictors of Return to Work After Arthroscopic Rotator Cuff Repair - An Analysis of 1502 Cases

Appendix

Table A1. Variables entered into the multiple logistic regression models for return to work at any level, and return to pre-injury levels of work 6 months following rotator cuff repair.

Demographic Variables		
Age	Years	
Sex	Male, female	
Insurance Type	Private, public, self-funded, worker's compensation	
Duration of symptoms	Months	
Side of injury	Right, left	
Specific initiating injury	Yes, no	
Work-related injury (different to worker's compensation status)	Yes, no	
Previous shoulder dislocation	Yes, no	
Previous shoulder treatment	Yes, no	
Pre-Injury Variables		
Pre-Injury Level of Work	None, light, moderate, strenuous labor	
Pre-Injury Level of Sport	None, hobby, club, national	

Preoperative (Post-Injury, Pre-Surgery) Variables		
Level of work	None, light, moderate, strenuous labor	
Level of sport	None, hobby, club, national	
Frequency of pain with activity	Never, monthly, weekly, daily, always	
Frequency of pain with sleep	Never, monthly, weekly, daily, always	
Frequency of extreme pain	Never, monthly, weekly, daily, always	
Level of pain at rest	None, mild, moderate, severe, very severe	
Level of pain with overhead activity	None, mild, moderate, severe, very severe	
Level of pain at sleep	None, mild, moderate, severe, very severe	
Patient-rated stiffness	Not at all, a little moderate, quite, very	
Difficulty with reaching behind the back	None, mild, moderate, severe, very severe	
Difficulty with reaching overhead	None, mild, moderate, severe, very severe	
Overall rating of shoulder	Very bad, bad, poor, fair, good	
Forward flexion (passive range of motion)	Degrees	
Abduction (passive range of motion)	Degrees	
External Rotation (passive range of motion)	Degrees	
Internal Rotation (passive range of motion)	Degrees	
Abduction (strength)	Newtons	
Adduction (strength)	Newtons	
External Rotation (strength)	Newtons	
Internal Rotation (strength)	Newtons	
Behind the Back Lift-Off (strength)	Newtons	

Intraoperative Variables		
Tear Thickness	Partial, full	
Osteoarthritis	Yes, no	
Tissue quality	Fair, good, very good, excellent	
Tissue mobility	Fair, good, very good, excellent	
Repair quality	Fair, good, very good, excellent	
Anteroposterior tear dimension	Millimeters	
Mediolateral tear dimension	Millimeters	
Operative time	Minutes	