

# SLAP Lesions

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## 정 의

- SLAP = Superior Labrum Anterior & Posterior
- Injury to superior part of glenoid labrum involving region of biceps tendon insertion
- 상부 관절와 순의 후방부에서 시작하여 관절와 순에서 기시하는 상완 이두 장두건을 포함하여 전방 관절화 절흔은 바로 전부위 까지 파열되는 병변.

## 역 학

- Most common in young males
- Often associated with rotator cuff tear

## SLAP Lesion

- Acquired tight posterior capsule
- Increased posterior-superior peel-back forces
- Circle concept
- Pathologic cascade

## 원 인

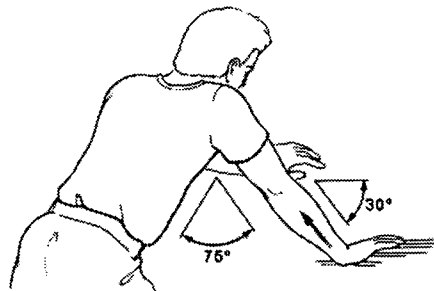
- Two mechanisms

### 1. Humeral head가 Biceps-labral complex에 direct compression force

- 견관절 외전 전방 굴곡 상태에서 outstretched hand로 넘어질 때 발생

### 2. Biceps long head의 견인 (traction)

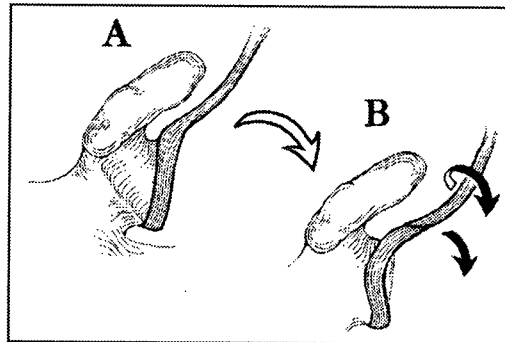
- 떨어질 때 물건을 팔로 잡거나 수상 스키 시 관절와에서 관절와순이 잡아 당겨



저 발생

- Extension injury

### 3. 비정상적인 peel-back mechanism



- Repetitive microtrauma
- Overhead motion, esp. Throwing, hammering

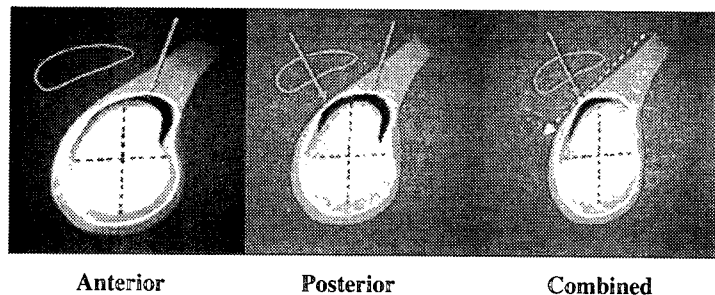
### Controversy

- SLAP Lesions Vs Internal Impingement

### SLAP Lesions In Throwers



3 Subtypes of Type II Lesions



- Not a rare condition and very Common
- Acceleration Injuries
- Mostly Posterior
- Acquired Tight Posterior Inferior Capsule
  - Starts the Pathological Process

## Clinical

### SYMPTOMS

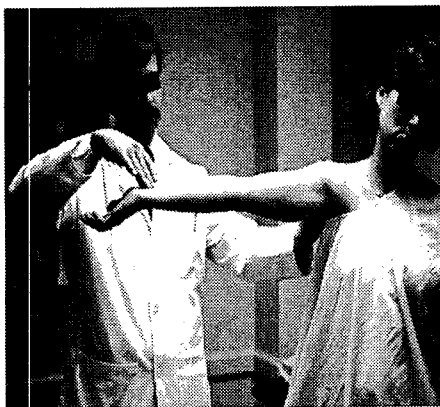
- 동통(후방 견관절 통)
- 외전, 외회전시(overhead activities)에서 통증을 동반하는 염발음(catching),  
-popping, clicking
- Posterior Tightness
- Post-Sup Soreness
- Usually sudden event in late cocking
- Pain, Loss of velocity

### Signs

- Speed's test

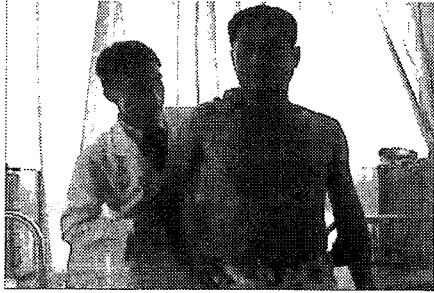


- Biceps tension test
  - Resisted shoulder flexion with elbow extended and forearm supinated
  - Positive if painful
- THE SLAP TEST



- Unstable type II & IV에서 양성
- Crepitation, buckling, and pain

· Kibler test



- Push upward and forward on the elbow
  - Pain, crepitation
  - Anterosuperior labral tear, middle glenohumeral lig. avulsion
- O'Brien test I



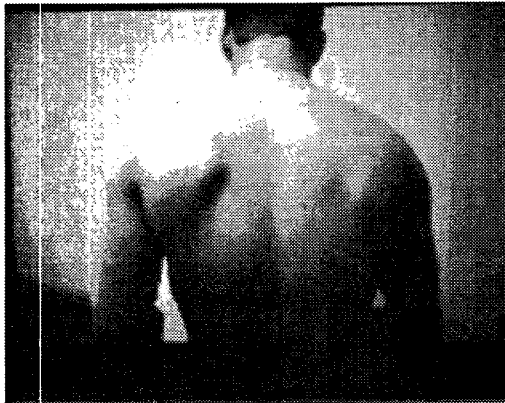
- Pain, buckling
  - Biceps long head를 꼬이게 한다.
- O'Brien test II



- Compression-rotation test
- Shoulder McMurray's test



- Patient supine with shoulder abducted 90° and elbow flexed 90°
- Positive if pain and click
  - 12시 방향에서 양성  
SLAP lesion
  - 1시 방향에서 양성  
Superior GH lig. lesion
  - 3시 방향에서 양성  
Middle GH lig. lesion
- Jobe Relocation Test
- Acquired Scapular Winging



## Investigations

### Imaging

- May be demonstrated on CT-arthrogram or MRI
- Lesion often missed or misdiagnosed

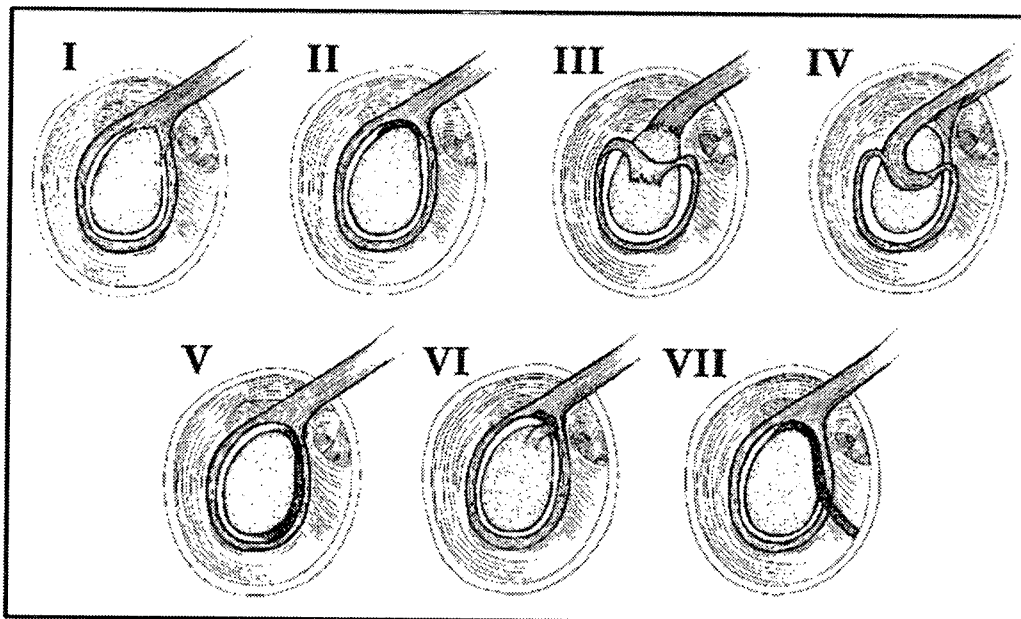
### Arthroscopy

- Definitive diagnostic technique
- Arthroscopic Findings

- Positive Drive-Through
  - Anteroinferior Pseudolaxity
- Positive Peel-Back
- Displaceable Vertex of Biceps
- Associated Rotator Cuff Tear
  - 60%
  - Location-specific
  - Undersurface
  - Partial thickness

#### 분류 (by Snyder and Maffet)

- Type I Frayed and degenerated superior labrum
- Type II Detachment of superior labrum and biceps tendon from glenoid rim
- Type III Bucket-handle tearing of superior labrum
- Type IV Extension of displaced bucket-handle tear into biceps tendon
- Type V Extension of anterior-inferior Bankart lesion superiorly
- Type VI Lesion includes a biceps separation with an unstable labral flap tear
- Type VII A superior labrum-biceps tendon separation that extends anteriorly beneath the middle glenohumeral ligament.



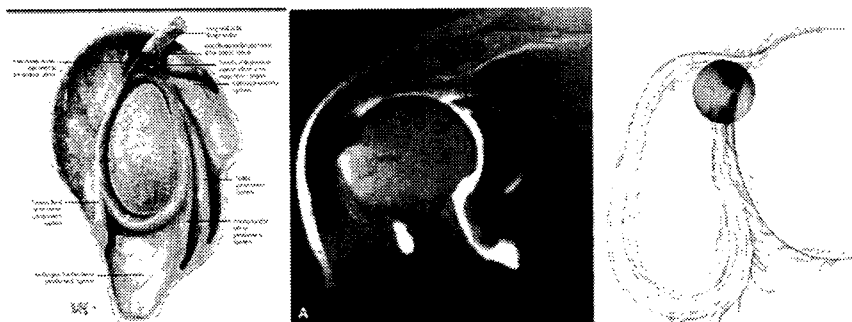


Fig 1.

- Fraying and degeneration of superior labrum
- No detachment of labrum or biceps tendon

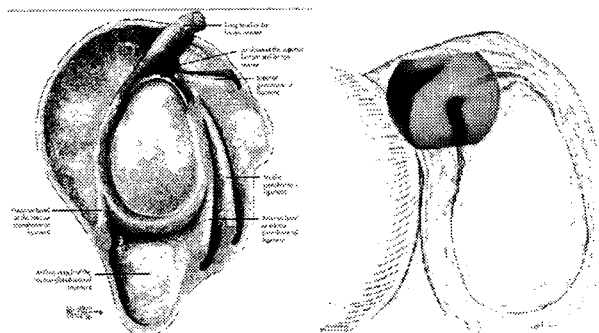


Fig 2.

- Superior labrum and attached biceps tendon stripped off glenoid
- Identification of the unstable SLAP II lesion
  - Clunk with peel back mechanism in abduction and external rotation
  - Irregular and abnormal direction of dye infiltration in MR arthrogram
  - Irregular margin of inner side of the attached area in arthroscopic finding
  - Granulation tissue of the inner side of the attached area in arthroscopic finding

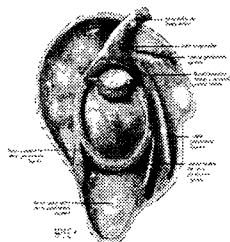


Fig 3.

- Bucket handle tear of superior labrum
- Displacement of central rim of labrum into joint
- Peripheral labrum and biceps tendon attached to glenoid

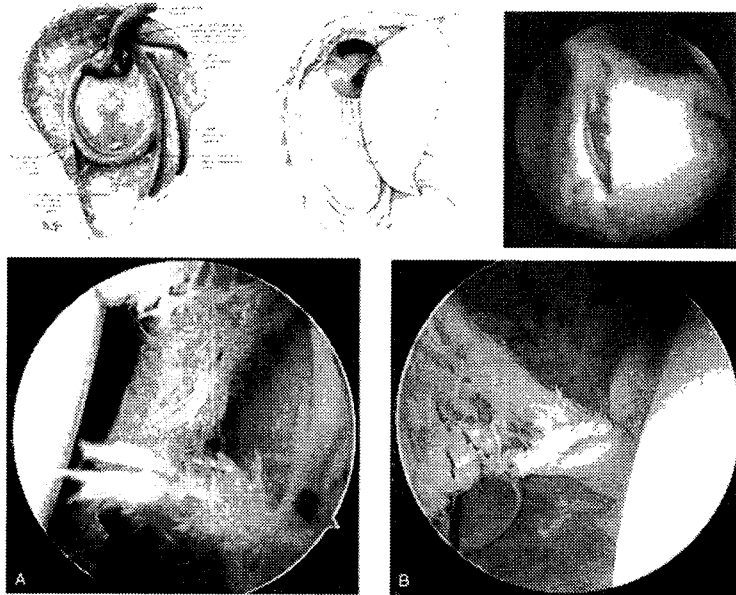


Fig 4.

- Bucket handle tear of superior labrum
- Extension into biceps tendon which remains attached but with partial tear

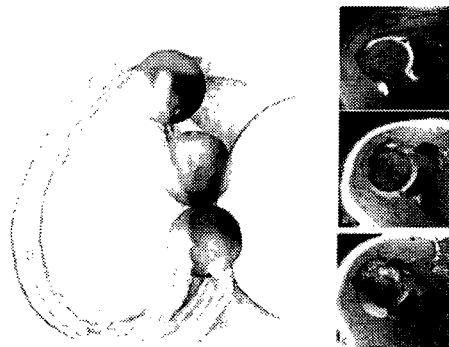


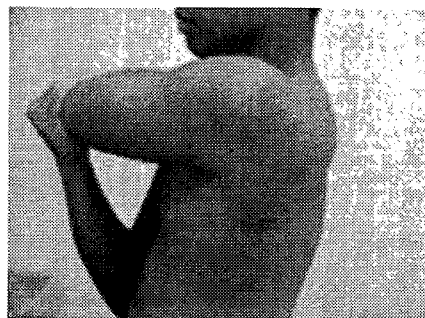
Fig 5.

- Extension of anterior-inferior Bankart lesion superiorly
- Includes separation of biceps tendon

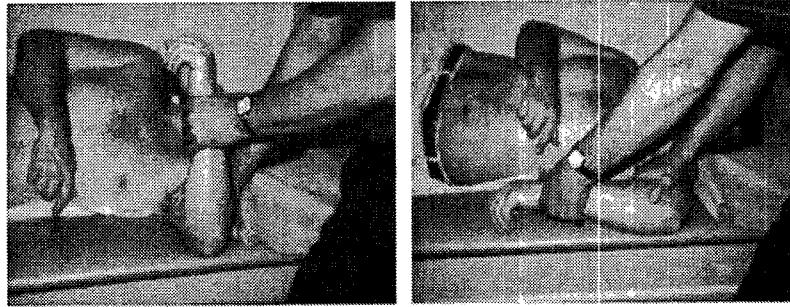
**Treatment**

**Conservative**

- Stretching Exercise







- Kibler: 38% decrease in shoulder problem in High Level Tennis Players
- Cooper: 22 professional baseball pitchers  
No innings Lost , no Surgery

### Surgical

- Type I
  - Debride, excise flap tears
- Type II
  - Repair biceps-labrum to glenoid
- Type III
  - Excise or repair the bucket handle
- Type IV
  - Excise or repair, tenodesis biceps
  - SLAP and Bankart: repair all
- Arthroscopic repair
  - Suture Anchor must be placed POSTERIOR to the Biceps at the corner of Glenoid to Resist torsional Peel-back
  - 90% excellent, 10% good

### Postoperative rehabilitation after S.L.A.P. Repair

- Phase 1 (0~2 weeks)
  - Sling immobilization at all times: hand, wrist, elbow exercises started
- Phase 2 (2~3 weeks)
  - Codman exercises, PROM 0-90 degrees flexion and abduction: external rotation in adduction to neutral: avoid extension of arm behind body for 4 weeks
  - No external rotation in abduction because of peel-back mechanism
  - Sling immobilization when not doing PROM regimen
- Phase 3 (3~6 weeks)
  - Discontinue sling and start progressive PROM to full as tolerated in all planes

- Begin passive posterior capsular and internal rotation stretching
- Begin passive and manual scapulothoracic mobility program
- Begin external rotation in abduction
- Allow use of operative extremity for light activities of daily living
- Phase 4 (6~16 weeks)
  - Continue all stretching and flexibility programs as above: ROM should be full
  - Begin progressive strengthening of rotator cuff, scapular stabilizers, and deltoid
  - At 10-12 weeks, biceps resistance and sports / work specific exercises instituted with goal of normal function at 4 months
- For Throwing Athlete: Phase 5(4~6 months)
  - Begin interval throwing program on level surface(if applicable)
  - Continue stretching and strengthening regimen, with particular emphasis on posterior capsular stretching
- Phase 6 (6 months)
  - Begin throwing from mound
- Phase 7 (7 months)
  - Allow full-velocity throwing from mound
  - Continue strengthening and posterior capsular stretching indefinitely

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