WHY ACHILLES TENDINOPATHY FAIL TO HEAL WITH CALF RAISES



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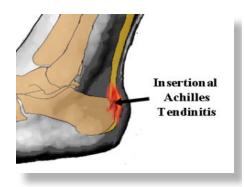


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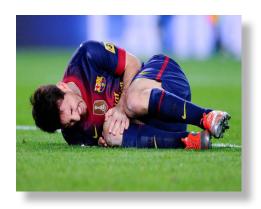
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Some Insertional Tendinopathies Fail with Conventional Calf Strengthening. Why?

Traditionally, achillies tendinopathies have been treated with eccentric strengthening exercises into dorsiflexion. However, many patients with an insertional achilles tendinopathy fail to respond well to this strengthening program. It has been found that lowering the heel into dorsiflexion produces a compressive force between the bone and the tendon at its insertion. Thus the take home message for an insertional achillies tendinopathy is that strengthening should not be performed on a step resulting in the ankle going into full dorslexion. Perform the calf raises into end of range plantarflexion.

http://bjsm.bmj.com/content/42/9/746.short



Multifidus Size Corresponds with Lower Limb Football Injury

Reduced core strength is directly related to lower limb injury. Current research from Australian Football League (AFL) shows a correlation between reduced cross sectional area of the multifidus and rate of lower limb injury. This indicates that there is a direct correlation between core strength and lower limb injury. Thus, core strengthening should be included in all strengthening regime, for the lower limb.

http://bjsm.bmj.com/content/48/7/607.2.abstract



Calf Raises To Reduce Plantar Fascia Pain

High load, slow speed eccentric exercises of calf raises have been shown to effectively reduce plantar fascial pain. High load strength training is believed to stimulate an increase in collagen synthesis which helps to normalise tendon structure, increase load tolerability of the plantar fascia and thereby improve patient outcomes. Rehabilitation is started at 12 repetitive maximum for 3 sets, we increase the load by using backpack and weights.

http://www.running-physio.com/pf-new-research/



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