Case Report

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## An Independent Study on the Back Rack



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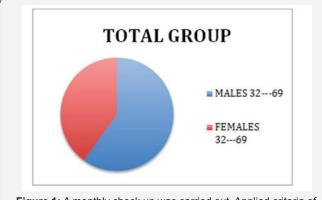
### **Orthopaedic Medical Device**

Tests were carried out on 50 patients with the collaboration of Dr.D.Troup, Director of Spinal Research at the Royal Free hospital, London. 50 outpatients, within the period of 3 months between January - March 2004 in The Luklinski Spine Clinic, London. The Back Rack consists of 16 wooden spindles with a frame like spine. Patients were asked to use equipment as instructed 3x per week for the 3 month period:

Those were the following groups:

Total 50: 20 females: age 32 -69

30 males / age, 32 -69 (Figure 1).



**Figure 1:** A monthly check up was carried out. Applied criteria of Orthopaedic Medicine/Maitland system.

Patients were examined prior to using the Backrack and at the end of the treatment - 3 months.

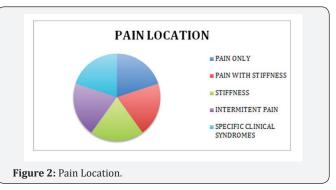
MRI scan was applied when appropriate - 28 cases / False positives.

## Spinal protocol was used, 3 exercises were applied

- i. Lying down / knees bent / whole spine elongation / sustained 3 sec.
- ii. Pelvis elevation neck / pelvis straight / cervical / upper thoracic sustained pressure 3 sec.
- iii. Lumbar spine = increased abdominal pressure / sustained trunk up 3 sec.

The Back Rack will apply stretching and over-pressure, the symptoms will typically improve rapidly. Passive movements are made easier, lying down compression is 25% of that of standing = SPINE. To elicit back pain PASSIVE - ACTIVE of motion must be activated.

- a. Pain only 10 / severe disabling symptoms spasm
- b. Pain with stiffness 10
- c. Stiffness 10
- d. Intermitent pain 10
- e. Specific clinical syndromes 10 / arthritis, spondylitis, spondylosis, short-leg syndrome (Figure 2).



### The following clinical criteria were applied

- i. SLR / 30 70
- ii. PNB / 0 45
- iii. Lumbar FLEXION
- iv. Lumbar Extension
- v. Lateral flexion
- vi. Lumbar Rotation
- vii. Lumbar quadrant
- viii. Cervical quadrant / cervical spine / F-E-LF-RR LR /.
- ix. KJ AJ

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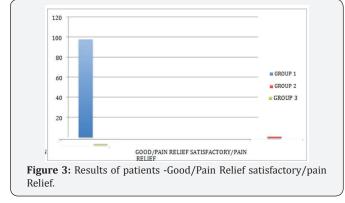
- x. SKIN sensation
- xi. Skeletal deformity spine
- xii. Short leg syndrome
- xiii. MRI scan 28 cases / False positives

#### **Outcomes**

- a. Very good / no pain
- b. Good / mild pain
- c. Satisfactory/pain relief

#### Results

- i. 97.5 % / 38,5 patients / group 1 very good
- ii. 1.5 % / 6.5 patients / group 2 / good
- iii. 1% group 3 / 5 patients / specific clinical syndromes / satisfactory (Figure 3).



#### Conclusion

The Back Rack device is appropriate for ALL spinal conditions; pain and stiffness will decrease - regardless of conditions. No other device in the world found has this unique concept and application.

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