

Case Examples of UCLA Reported “Misses”¹ by Static MRI Detected by FONAR Spondylography™*

(Case studies provided by FONAR owners)

% Spondylolistheses “Missed” by Static MRI
40° Flexion

Minimum Slip	L2-3	L3-4	L4-5	L5-S1
3 mm	30.8%	38.7%	35.1%	4%
4 mm	33.3%	53.8%	17.9%	3.5%

“Missed” at L3-4

“Missed” at L4-5



Recumbent
(Static)



Upright
(Dynamic)

(Images courtesy of M. Rose, M.D.
Rose Radiology Centers, Tampa, Florida)



Recumbent
(Static)



Standing Flexion
(Dynamic)

(Images courtesy of Melville MRI, P.C.
Melville, New York)

Case Examples of UCLA Reported “Misses” of Cervical Disc Bulges Detected by FONAR Spondylography™

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“Miss Rate” of Cervical Disc Bulges 2 mm or Greater Seen in Flexion and Extension Positions But Not Seen in the Neutral Sitting Position

Position Eliciting Disc Bulge	% of Cervical Disc Bulges Greater Than or Equal to 2 mm That Were “Missed” in the Neutral Sit Position But Seen on Flexion or Extension
Flexion	18.18%
Extension	23.75%



Upright Neutral
(Static)



Upright Extension
(Dynamic)

(Case Study Courtesy of Richard Marks, M.D.
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*Spondylography™; definition: The name for FONAR UPRIGHT® Multi-Position™ MRI

Changes in the Diameter and Cross-Sectional Area of Stenosis of the
Lumbar Central Canal with Flexion and Extension
as Measured by FONAR Spondylography™
(Case studies provided by FONAR owners)



Sitting Flexion



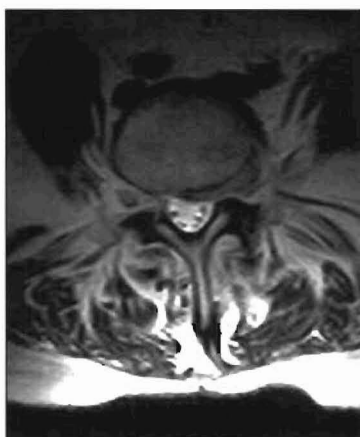
Sitting Extension



Sitting Flexion



Sitting Extension



Supine



Standing

(Images courtesy of Professor Francis Smith, Woodend Hospital, University of Aberdeen, Scotland)

“Dynamic MRI can demonstrate spinal canal diameter change in lumbar flexion and extension and also show the amount of change in the cross-sectional area with the highest accuracy.” (paper 79)

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