

update on How Arach causes pain

Posted by DocSarah - 15 Nov 2005 15:42

Hi Kim and everyone.

I see the section of my long Arachnoiditis article on how it causes pain has received a lot of hits.

I thought I'd share with you some insight given me recently by a neurosurgeon. He reckons that dull aching pain is caused by stretching of the dural sac and that electric shock pain (shooting) is likely to be due to nerve stretching (which won't necessarily show up on MRI because the patient is lying flat and the nerve stretching happens more on standing/moving)

Any comments?

Regards,

DocSarah

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Re:update on How Arach causes pain

Posted by johnb - 29 Jan 2006 13:47

Hi, I read a piece yesterday on the BBC News/health website that suggested that ongoing pain of the type that many contributors suffer, can be generated by undamaged nerve cells that are adjacent to those that are damaged . Perhaps this could explain why much of the pain appears to originate well away from the spinal regions? There are references on the site to the work that was done by the University of Bristol in the uk. The BBC site reference is news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/4640152.stm for those that want to read a non technical summary.

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Posted by " Kim"playtech online casino" - 02 Mar 2007 02:59

The following refers to a post deleted by the Site Admin:

Oh really this is only slightly less boring than the Bush rubbish.

I suppose I could 'tighten up' people registering on the forum but if that means the chance that just one other person might not search for the information they need I am going to have to think about it.

These poor sad people who have nothing better to do in their lives should open their eyes to the real suffering in this world and rather than attack sufferers with these money making schemes, praise the courage they show in dealing with that suffering with dignity and respect.

Hollow words, I expect for people with no pain or conscience:evil: 🙄
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I have fought many battles, have many scars but never lost the will to win.

Kim

Thanks again Ann for spotting this this morning

Post edited by: Kim, at: 2007/03/03 01:43

Post edited by: jamiepearson, at: 2007/03/05 13:33

Post edited by: jamiepearson, at: 2007/03/05 13:34

Re:update on How Arach causes pain

Posted by Kim - 03 Mar 2007 01:56

Hi Doc

Thanks for that but are there any tests which could show this to be the reason? My stock answer to "Why is this happening to me"? is because it can! 😊

I think people can come to terms with some types of pain if they have an explanation a reason why. I know asked about the shooting pains in 1992 and was told by my consultant to "let's sort out this other pain first";
Well that didn't happen.

I did keep a diary to see if I could find triggers but there is never anything to point to and say 'hey stop doing that and the pain will disappear'

My family would really like to know this for their peace of mind as they have had more than their share of grey hairs when my leg kicks off when doing 70mph on a motorway.

As always, much wants more:kiss: 😘

Kim

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Re:update on How Arach causes pain

Posted by Kim - 03 Mar 2007 03:32

Hi JohnB

This was a brilliant link and one I had missed on the BBC News and maybe what the Doc is referring too.

I don't get to watch much these days - "exploding" limits my activities but did you catch Channel 4 Dispatches, Monday night? Where did all the Money Go - in the NHS?

PCT's Primary Care Trust - are telling Doctors what treatment they can supply or NOT. Top of the list in North Yorkshire was Epidural Steroid Injections for Chronic Back Pain. Not economically viable which is what NICE - National Institute for Clinical Excellence - said would be the case but in 2000!!! (Also ingrowing toenails!!)

I am on the trail of trying to find out who gave them that information and what the PCT's are doing in this area!

I am on cable so could 'teleport' this but don't know how to video it yet. Need family members to work the techno stuff for me: 😘

If we could get these procedures stopped for 'economic' reasons I would be happy.

Thank you so much for this link

Kim

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Re:update on How Arach causes pain

Posted by DocSarah - 29 Mar 2007 17:00

Hi Kim,

i note you posted at around 2am! another night's sleep lost heh?

look I wish I had some answers. Truth is, I simply don't. What with the periodic flare-ups of inflammation and the background of the original spinal problem, plus the knock-on musculoskeletal effects, I know I

certainly can't predict what is going to happen next in my own personal situation, let alone anyone else's.

We live in a world that expects answers; science is meant to be all-knowing. But medicine is still a 'healing art' and we just don't have answers to a lot of the questions!



Doc S

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