

Cervical Diagnosis Groups in degenerative disease

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The following groups, describing singular degenerative pathologies, have been created according to detailed inclusion and exclusion criteria regarding the fields to be checked/not checked on the Spine Tango 2006, 2011 and 2017 forms. The criteria were developed in conjunction with a consultant Spine surgeon and were finalised with the consensus of the Spine Tango Committee, which comprised one clinical researcher, one epidemiologist, and five clinicians (four spine surgeons one non-surgical specialist). Using these criteria, it is possible to assign each patient with "degenerative disease" to one exclusive pathology for further group analyses.

	SURGICAL MEASURES					
Diagnosis sub- group	Form version	INCLUSION (field(s) must be checked)		EXCLUSION (field(s) must NOT be checked)		
		Main pathology and Specification of main pathology	Additional pathology	Type of degeneration	Additional pathology	INCLUSION (field(s) must be checked)
Disc herniation	2006	Main pathology: Degenerative disease Type of degeneration: Disc herniation		Type of degeneration: Spinal stenosis, Spondylosis, Spondylarthrosis, Adjacent segment degeneration, Other	Additional pathology: All except Failed surgery (Degen. is excluded by default)	Discectomy OR Sequestrectomy
	2011, 2017, 2025	Main pathology: Degenerative disease Type of degeneration: Disc herniation/protrusion		Type of degeneration: Central stenosis, Lateral stenosis, Foraminal stenosis, Degenerative deformity, Degenerative spondylolisthesis, Other instability, Facet joint arthrosis, Other	Additional pathology: All except Repeat surgery (Degen. is excluded by default)	Discectomy OR Sequestrectomy OR Foraminotomy OR Interbody fusion (A-IF) OR Disc replacement
Spinal stenosis without spondylolis - thesis	2006	Main pathology: Degenerative disease Type of degeneration: Spinal stenosis		Type of degeneration: Other	Additional pathology: All except Failed surgery (Degen. is excluded by default)	Laminotomy OR Hemi-laminectomy OR Laminectomy OR Facet joint resection partial
	2011, 2017, 2025	Main pathology: Degenerative disease Type of degeneration: Central stenosis OR Lateral stenosis OR Foraminal stenosis		Type of degeneration: Degenerative deformity, Degenerative spondylolisthesis, Other instability, Other	Additional pathology: All except Repeat surgery (Degen. is excluded by default)	Laminotomy OR Hemilaminectomy OR Laminectomy OR Facet joint resection partial OR Laminoplasty OR Foraminotomy OR Interbody fusion (A-IF) OR Disc replacement

Degenerative spondylolis- thesis	2006	Main pathology: Spondylolisthesis Type of spondylolisthesis: Type III (degenerative)			Additional pathology: All except Degenerative disease and Failed surgery	Any
	2006	Main pathology: Degenerative disease Type of degeneration: Spinal stenosis OR Spondylarthrosis	Additional pathology: Spondylolisthesis	Type of degeneration: Other	Additional pathology: All except Failed surgery (Degen. is excluded by default)	Any
	2011, 2017, 2025	Type of degeneration: Degenerative spondylolisthesis		Type of degeneration: Degenerative deformity, Other instability, Other	Additional pathology: All except Repeat surgery (Degen. is excluded by default)	Any
Degenerative segment disease	2006	Type of degeneration: Disc degeneration OR Black disc		Type of degeneration: Spinal stenosis, Disc herniation, Other	Additional pathology: All except Failed surgery (Degen. is excluded by default)	Any
	2011, 2017, 2025	Type of degeneration: Degenerative disc disease		Type of degeneration: Disc herniation/protrusion, Central stenosis, Lateral stenosis, Foraminal stenosis, Degenerative deformity, Degenerative spondylolisthesis, Other instability, Myelopathy, Other	Additional pathology: All except Repeat surgery (Degen. is excluded by default)	Any
Degenerative deformity	2006	Main pathology: Deformity Predominant etiology: Degenerative			Additional pathology: All except Degenerative disease and Failed Surgery	Any
	2006	Main pathology: Degenerative disease	Additional pathology: Deformity		Additional pathology: All except Failed surgery (Degen. is excluded by default)	Any
	2011, 2017, 2025	Main pathology: Degenerative disease			Additional pathology: All except Repeat surgery (Degen. is excluded by default)	Any
		Type of degeneration: Degenerative deformity				

Myelopathy	2006	-	-	-	-	-
	2011,	Main pathology:				Discectomy OR
	2017, 2025	Degenerative disease				Interbody fusion (A-IF) OR
						Vertebral body replacement by cage OR
		Type of degeneration: Myelopathy				Vertebral body replacement by auto- /allograft OR
						Disc replacement