Rehab Considerations in MMA

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What is MMA?

Mixed Martial Arts

- Any fighting style or martial art form is permitted.
- Most popular mix in todays MMA scene
 - Boxing- Use of hands to inflict damage upon opponent
 - Muay Thai or Thai Boxing "Art of 8 limbs" Known as the most brutal of fighting styles
 - Wrestling or Judo- Greco Roman, Catch, freestyle
 - Jiu Jitsu- Submission grappling, fighting from the ground.

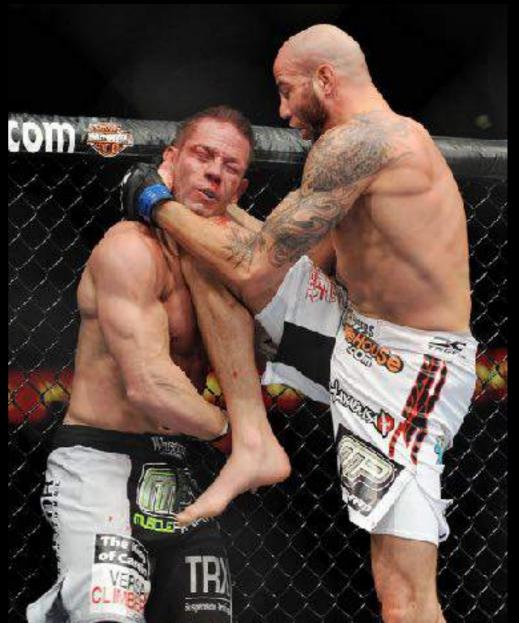
Injuries in Mixed Martial Arts

- Injury rate is 228 injuries per 1000 athlete exposures where an exposure is defined as one athlete exposure to 1 fight. Higher then most combat fight sports.
- Most common injured body parts
 - Head (66-78%)
 - Hands/wrist (6-12%)
- Most common injuries
 - Lacerations (36-59%)
 - Fractures (7-43%)
 - Concussions (4-20%)
 - Contusions???????

















Wonder what happened here????

Any Guesses?

Perilunate Dislocation





How to Avoid Injuries???

Do not get hit!!

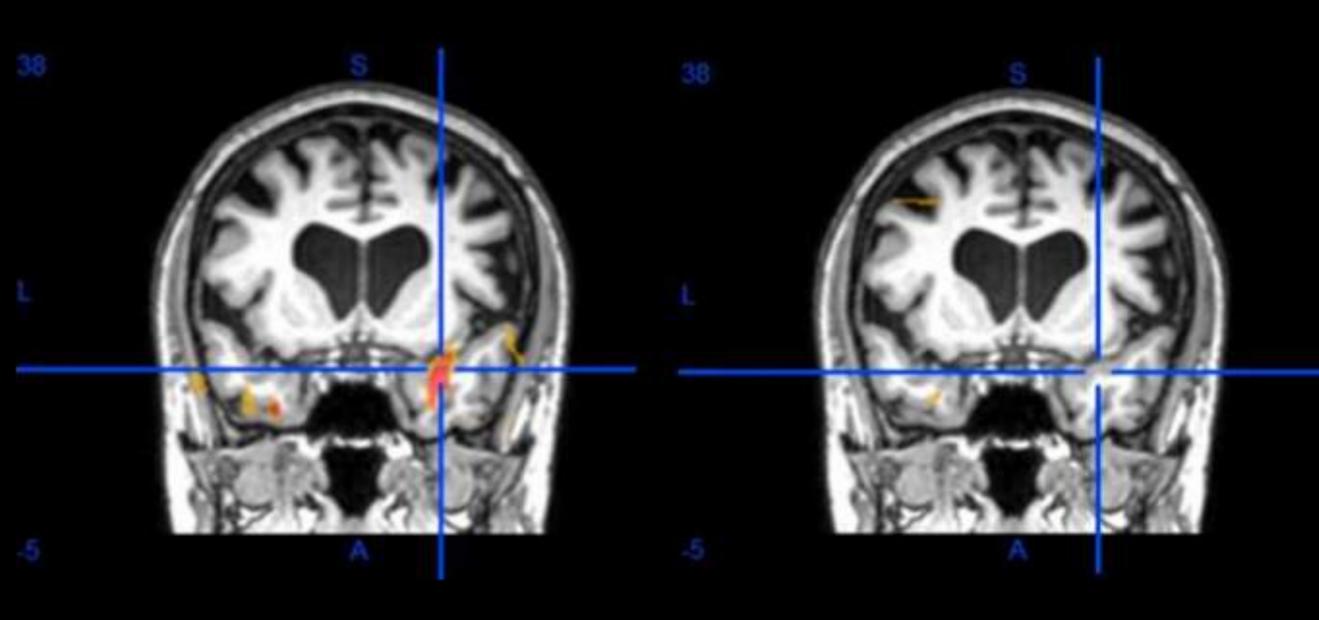
Approaching the MMA Athlete

- Age and/or history of injury
- Money
- When do they fight again?
- Was it a win or a loss?

Psychological Concerns

- Not fighting? Loss of purpose
- Possible Fears? Re-injury
- Hesitation?

Are there treatments for stress and N.E.C's?



Neuro Emotional Technique

- Mind Body Technique
- Decreased activity in Parahippocampus (activated with traumatic stress)
- Thomas Jefferson University Study
- 1st intervention that affects autonomic and neurophysiological systems

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www.onefoundation.org

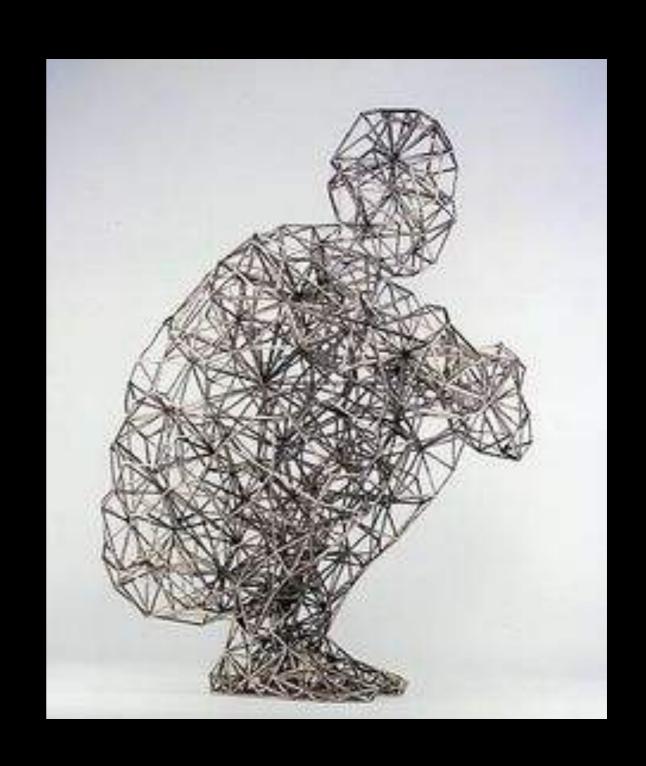
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Functional Training

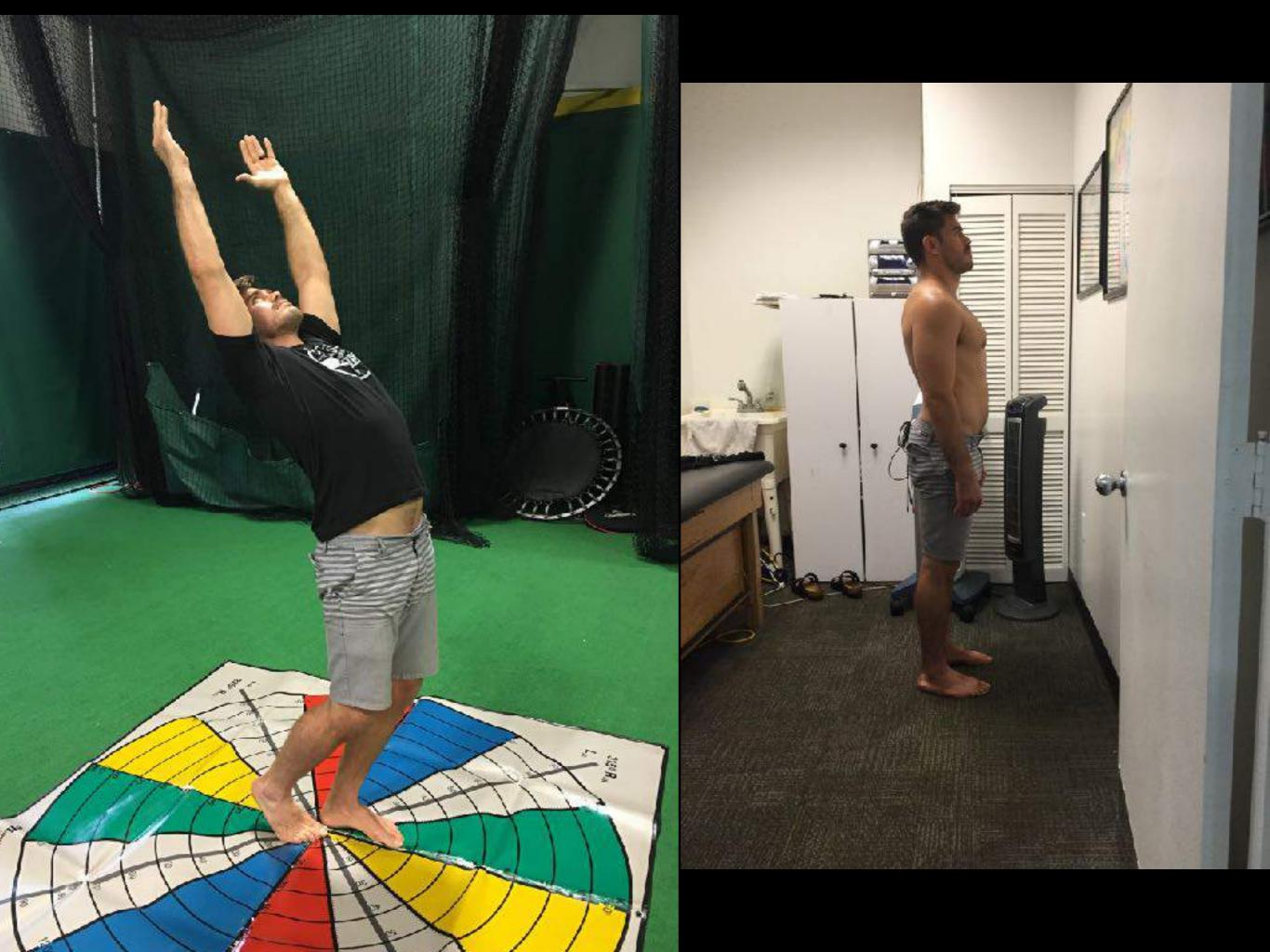
- Whole Body approach
- Posture and Symmetry!!!!
- Incorporating Fascia
 - Tensegrity Model
 - Movements (Contralateral Reciprocation)

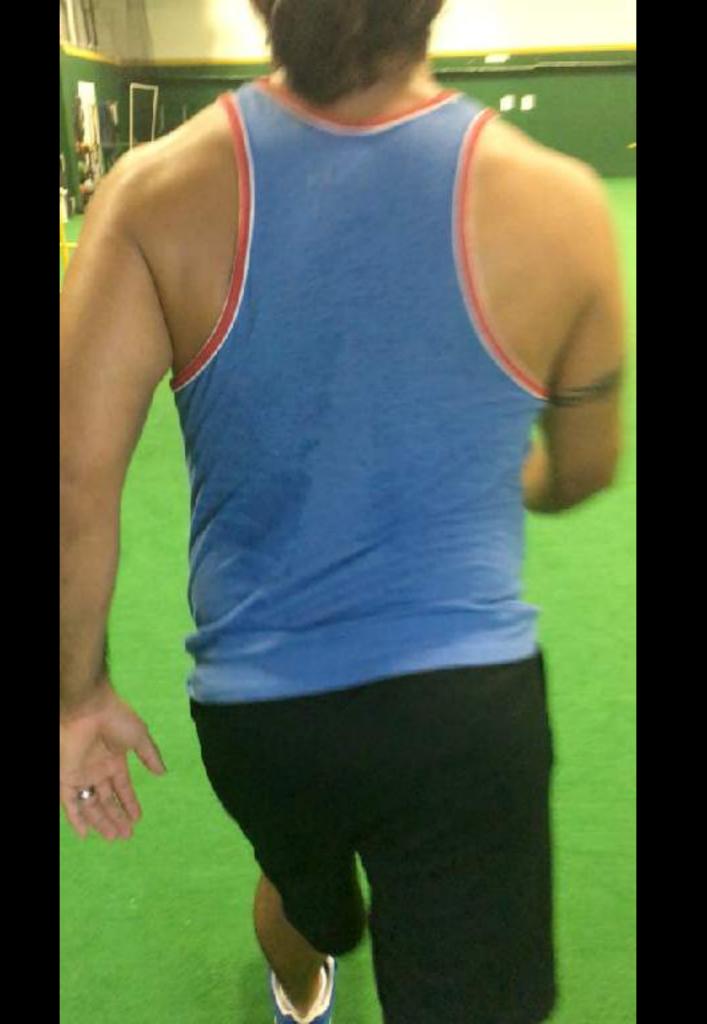
Tensegrity Model

- Area affected is not always the cause!!!!
- Look at quality of motion





















Training

- Mimic Movement patterns 80-85% rotational
- Ant/Post
- Lateral
- Cross Patterns















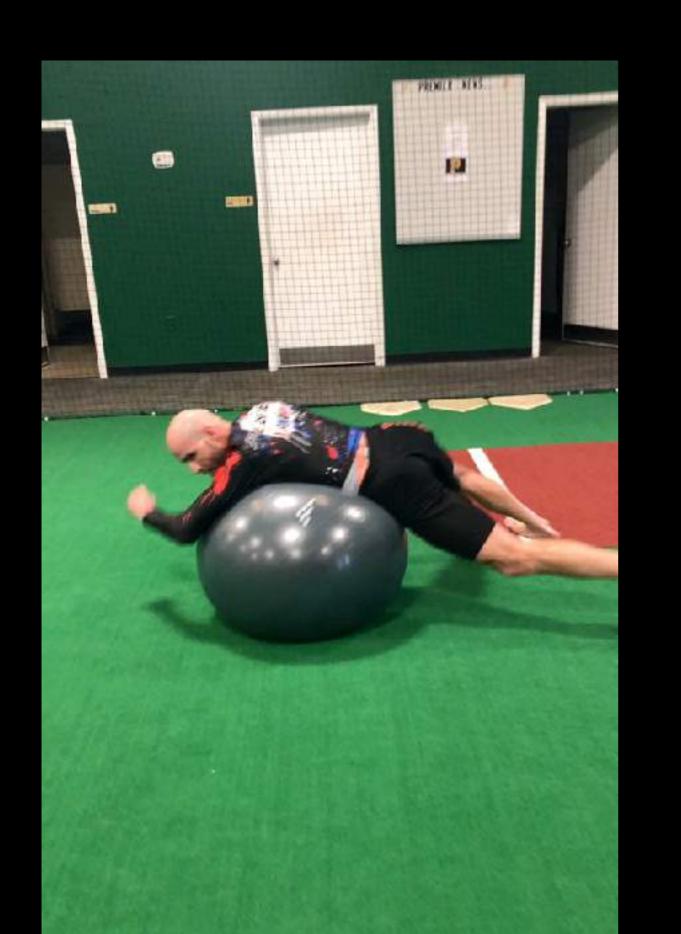


















Have FUN!!!! Be HAPPY!!! LOVE what you do!!!! Every little thing is gonna be ALRIGHT!!!!



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