

# Bilateral locked facets

Occurs with disruption of ligaments of apophyseal joints, [ligamentum flavum](#), longitudinal and interspinous ligaments, and the anulus. Rare. Most common at C5-6 or C6-7. 65-87% have complete quadriplegia, 13-25% incomplete,  $\leq 10\%$  are intact. Adjacent fractures (VB, facet, lamina, pedicle...) occur in 40-60%.<sup>5,22</sup> Nerve root deficits may also occur.

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