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A [systematic review](#) illustrates that lumbar provocation [discography](#) performed according to the [International Association for the Study of Pain \(IASP\)](#) criteria may be a useful tool for evaluating chronic lumbar discogenic pain. The evidence is weaker for cervical and nonexistent for thoracic discography ¹⁾.

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