

Intervertebral disc lesion

General Classification of Disc Lesions

- Normal (excluding aging changes)
- Congenital/developmental variant
- Degenerative/traumatic lesion

Annular tear

Disc Herniation

Protrusion/extrusion

Intravertebral

Degeneration

Spondylosis deformans

Intervertebral [osteochondrosis](#)

- [Inflammation/infection](#)
- [Neoplasia](#)
- Morphologic variant of unknown significance

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