

Thoracic disc herniation clinical features

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Most common symptoms: [pain](#) (60%), sensory changes (23%), motor changes (18%). With thoracic [radiculopathy](#), pain and sensory disturbance is in a band-like distribution radiating anteriorly and inferiorly along the involved root's [dermatome](#). Motor involvement is difficult to document.

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A 57 year- old man with lateral [abdominal wall bulging](#). [MRI](#) showed thoracic [disk herniation](#) at the T11-T12 level. Needle [electromyogram](#) disclosed acute [denervation](#) in paraspinal and [abdominal muscles](#) innervated from [thoracic spinal nerve 11](#). Eight months later the swelling was reduced significantly. [Thoracic disc herniations](#) are rare and three similar cases have been described previously ¹⁾.

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