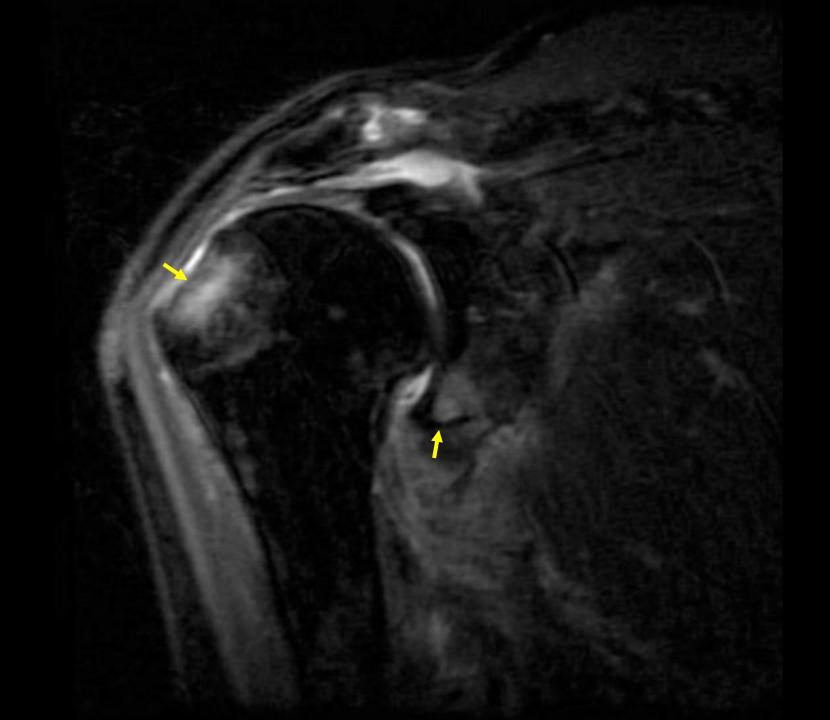
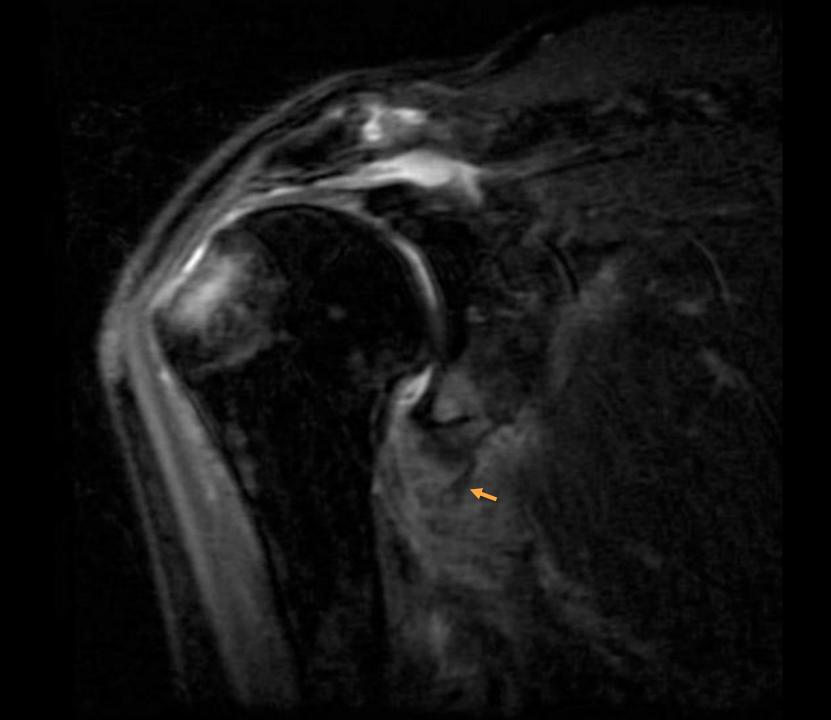
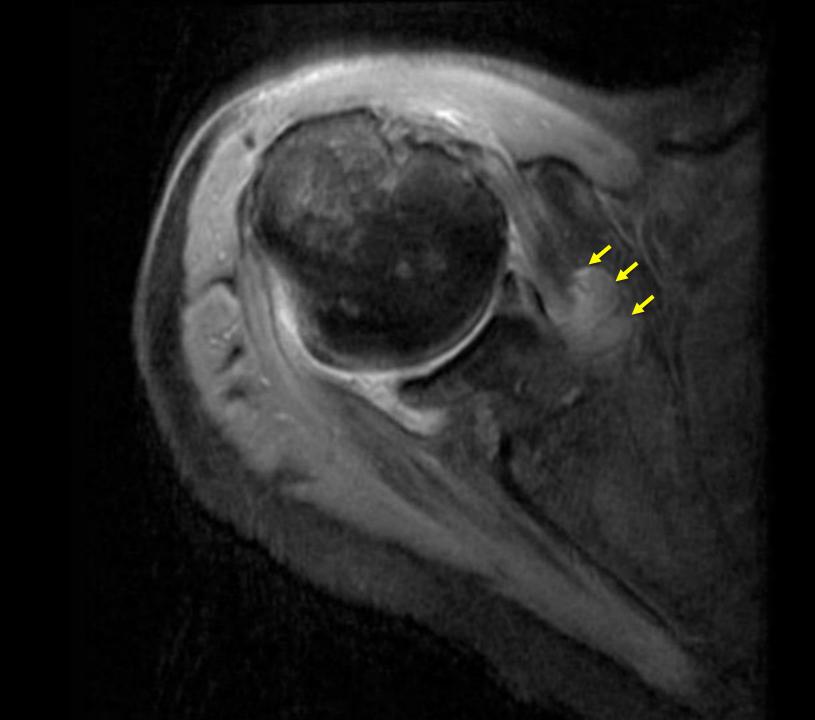


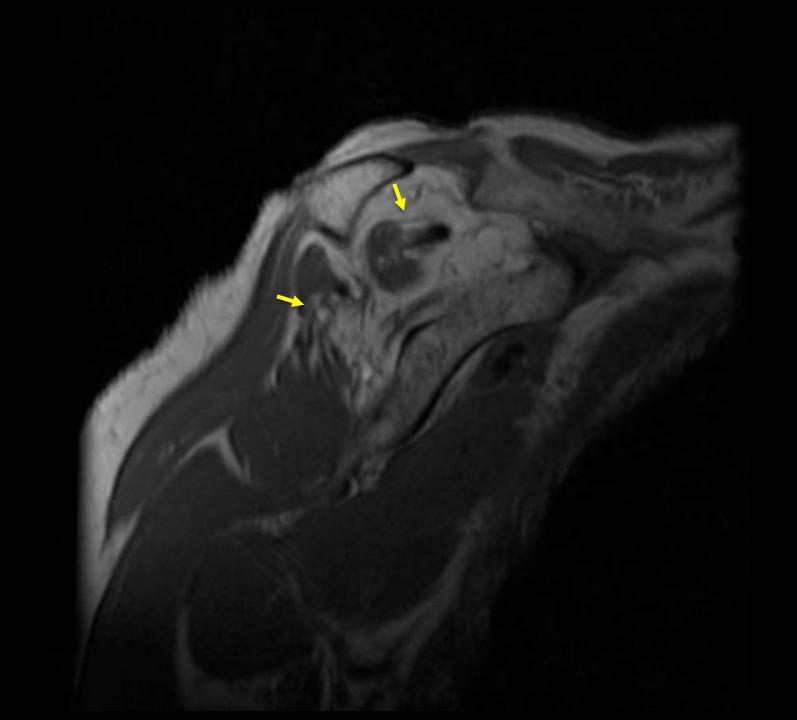
88 year old female with persistent right shoulder pain following dislocation.

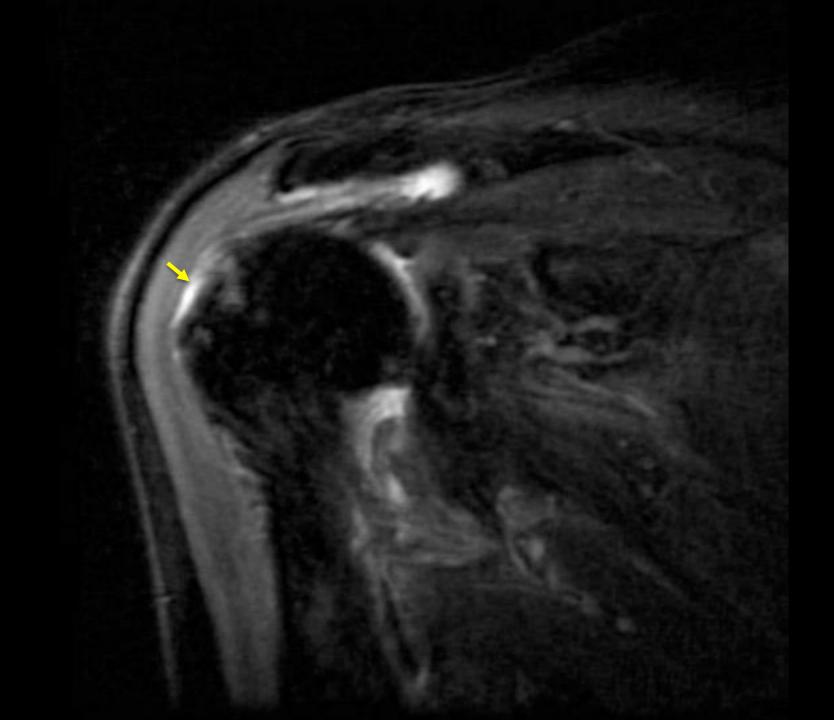
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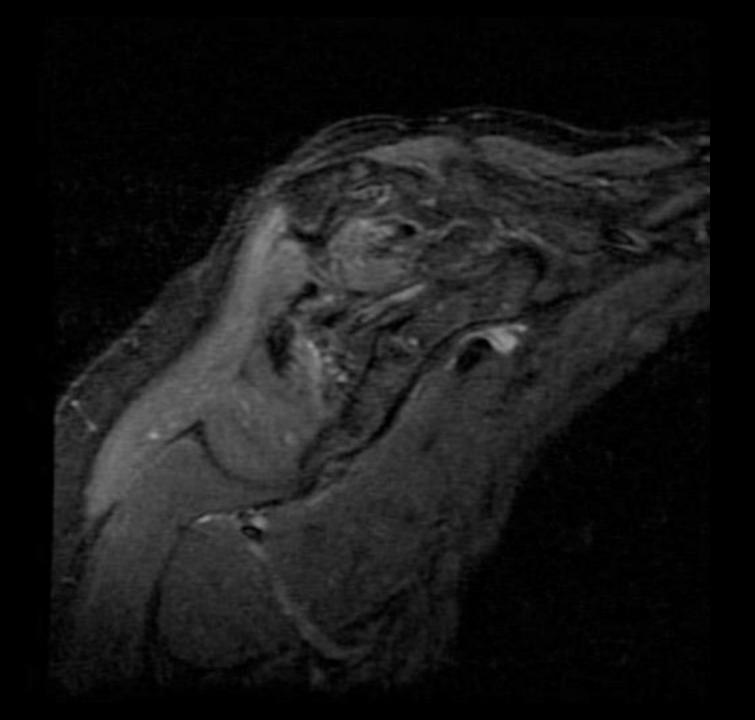


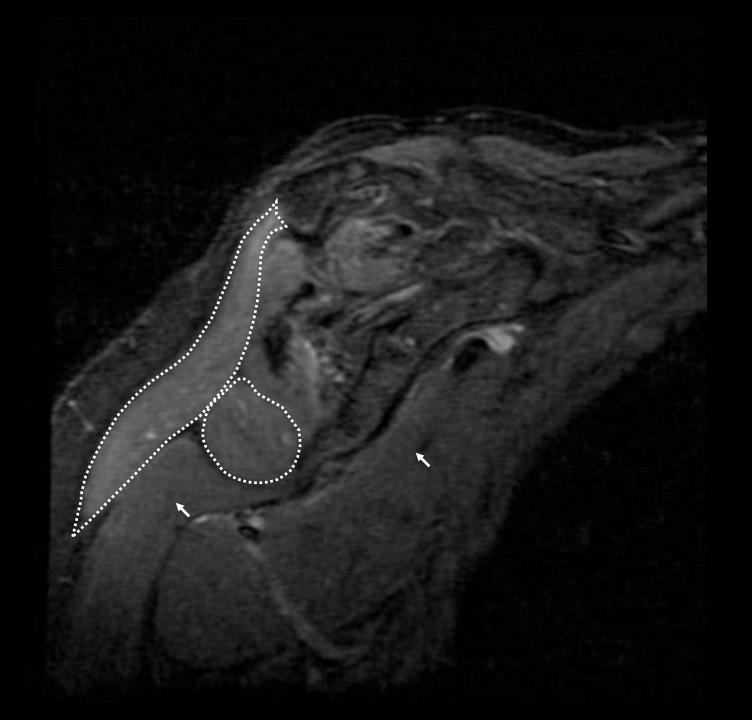


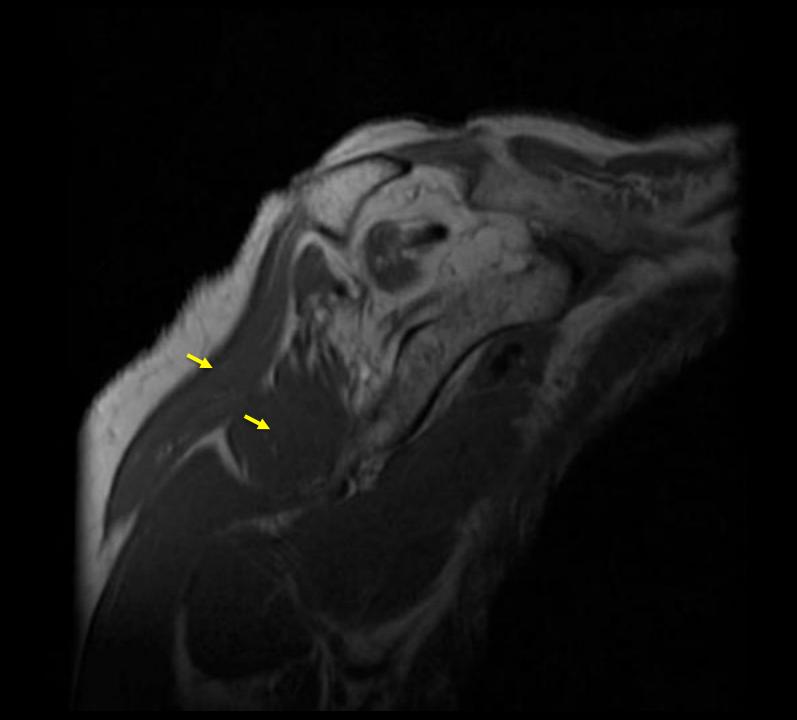






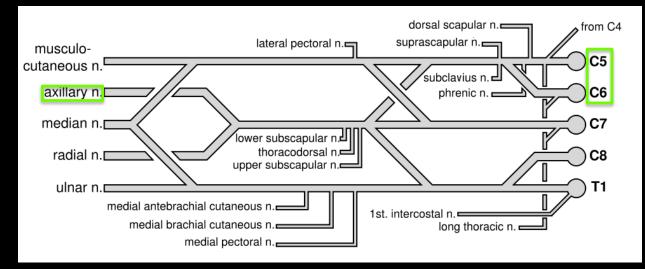


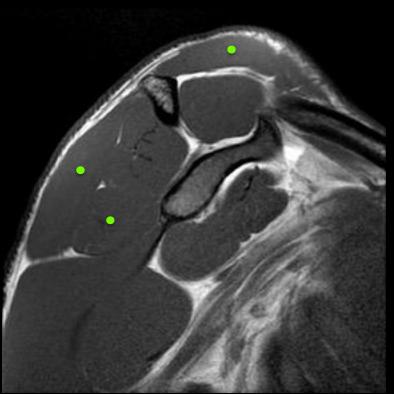


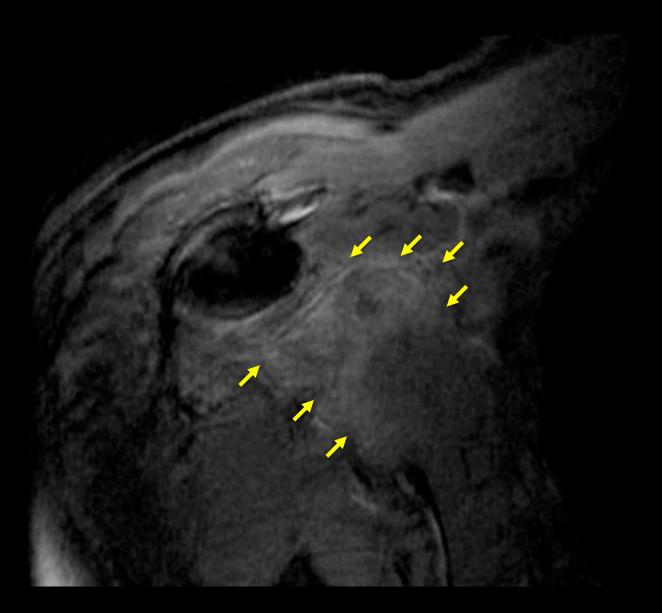


MRI Muscular Denervation Grading

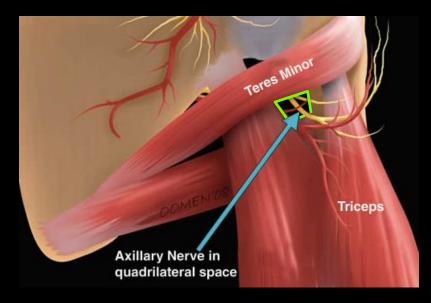
- acute stage (< 1 month): high signal intensity within the muscle on fluid sensitive sequences without fatty infiltration or loss of muscle bulk
- subacute stage (1-6 months): mixed edema and fatty infiltration
- chronic stage (>6 months): diffuse fatty infiltration with loss of muscle bulk







Quadrilateral Space



teres minor muscle (superiorly), teres major muscle (inferiorly), long head of the triceps (medially), humeral neck (laterally);

circumflex artery and axillary nerve

Findings

 recent anterior glenohumeral dislocation, impact fracture at the grater tuberosity (Hill-Sachs), IGHL avulsion from both humeral and glenoid attachment sites, reactive edema of periarticular musculature.

 degenerative tearing of supraspinatus (full thickness), infraspinatus and subscapularis tendons; medial subluxation of the long head of the biceps tendon

Findings

 extensive hematoma in the region of the quadrilateral space, muscular edema isolated to the lateral deltoid and teres minor without muscle atrophy.

Diagnosis

Possible mechanisms of axillary nerve injury are:

- hematoma within quadrilateral space -> nerve compression
- inferior translation of humeral head -> nerve injury

9 to 18% of patients who had anterior dislocation suffer from prolonged pain due to axillary nerve injury.

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