

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank the reviewers for careful review of our manuscript and providing us with their comments and suggestion to improve the quality of the manuscript. The changes in the manuscript file is marked as ‘underlined’. Below you can find the responses to address the reviewers comments.

Yours Sincerely,

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Comment	Response
Comment on Abstract: A purpose statement must be clearly delineated in the paper. Consider what you want the readers to take away from this paper.	Agreed: A purpose statement is added in the abstract.
Comment on introduction: The introduction seemed to serve as a mechanism to convey some of the anatomy as opposed to addressing where the limitations may be in the literature and how this paper will help to close the gap. Again, include a strong purpose statement in order to provide the overall paper with some direction and focus.	Agreed: text revised as per suggestions.
Comment on Anatomy: Remove the anatomy discussion from the introduction and create a new anatomy section with a more detailed description of the anatomy.	Agreed: An anatomy section is created in the manuscript.
Comments on Pathophysiology: The authors suggest that there are several possible mechanisms and never seem to address these mechanisms adequately. Please elaborate on your discussion of these mechanisms.	Agreed: Text is revised as per suggestions.
Comments on Pathophysiology: I would encourage the authors to expand the discussion of the peel back mechanism as well. Later in the paper you discuss the “role” of the biceps in labral injuries and call into question the role it plays in stability. Discussion of the biceps warrants additional discussion throughout the manuscript, particularly given the debate regarding its	Agreed: The Peel Back mechanism is expanded in the text.

role in stability and involvement surgically.	
Comments on Pathophysiology: Please expand and elaborate on your discussion of the potential role of the scapula and scapular mechanics. There has been considerable expansion as it relates to the body knowledge specific to scapular mechanics – this information must be part of the conversation, which will also carry over into the physical examination portion of this paper.	Agreed: We believe that the information about the scapular dyskinesia is enough for the SLAP review. We did not expand the information about it.
Comment on Treatment: Please expand your discussion as it relates to conservative management.	Agreed: text revised as per suggestions.
Comment on last paragraph	Agreed: Text revised as directed.
Comment on figures 2-5	Agreed: figures merged together as directed.