ABSTRACT OF BACHELOR THESIS

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approaches in the treatment of lateral epicondylitis

Abstract:

This bachelor thesis is observing the differences in comparison of the

physiotherapy approach with other conservative treatment options for lateral epicondylitis

in acute and chronic conditions. The work is processed by the search method and consists

of theoretical and special parts.

The theoretical part deals with a description of anatomical structures, kinesiology,

biomechanics and examination of the elbow joint as a whole. Other chapters are focused

on the problematic of the lateral epicondylitis, which describe the etiology, clinical picture

of acute and chronic forms, differential diagnosis, examination and treatment, where the

emphasis is mainly on the conservative methods.

The special part of this thesis is written on the basis of the results of literature

research with the focus on finding the studies that are comparing a treatment of chronic

and acute forms of the lateral epicondylitis. The thesis describes and compares the usuals

physiotherapeutic methods such as mobilization, manipulation, eccentric and concentric

exercises or kinesiotaping, as well as frequently used physical methods such as shock

wave, laser or ultrasound. This comparison also includes a treatment with corticosteroids

or newer approaches such as platelet-rich plasma or autologous whole blood.

The aim of this work is to find conservative methods that achieve clinically best

results in the treatment of chronic and acute forms of lateral epicondylitis.

Key words: elbow joint, lateral epicondylitis, tennis elbow, conservative treatment,

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