List of Publications by Year in descending order

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| #  | Article   | IF  | CITATIONS |
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| 1  | A Novel Rabbit Model of Mild, Reproducible Disc Degeneration by an Anulus Needle Puncture:<br>Correlation Between the Degree of Disc Injury and Radiological and Histological Appearances of Disc<br>Degeneration. Spine, 2005, 30, 5-14. | 2.0 | 566       |
| 2  | Osteogenic Protein-1 Injection Into a Degenerated Disc Induces the Restoration of Disc Height and Structural Changes in the Rabbit Anular Puncture Model. Spine, 2006, 31, 742-754.   | 2.0 | 248       |
| 3  | A novel two-step method for the formation of tissue-engineered cartilage by mature bovine<br>chondrocytes: The alginate-recovered-chondrocyte (ARC) method. Journal of Orthopaedic Research,<br>2003, 21, 139-148.                        | 2.3 | 238       |
| 4  | Effects of Growth Differentiation Factor-5 on the Intervertebral Discâ^'In Vitro Bovine Study and In<br>Vivo Rabbit Disc Degeneration Model Study. Spine, 2006, 31, 2909-2917.  | 2.0 | 188       |
| 5  | Growth Factors and Treatment of Intervertebral Disc Degeneration. Spine, 2004, 29, 2757-2769.   | 2.0 | 180       |
| 6  | Biological repair of the degenerated intervertebral disc by the injection of growth factors. European<br>Spine Journal, 2008, 17, 441-451.  | 2.2 | 175       |
| 7  | Proinflammatory Cytokines Stimulate the Expression of Nerve Growth Factor by Human Intervertebral<br>Disc Cells. Spine, 2007, 32, 635-642.  | 2.0 | 143       |
| 8  | Animal models for human disc degeneration. Spine Journal, 2005, 5, S267-S279.   | 1.3 | 138       |
| 9  | Platelet-Rich Plasma (PRP) Stimulates the Extracellular Matrix Metabolism of Porcine Nucleus<br>Pulposus and Anulus Fibrosus Cells Cultured in Alginate Beads. Spine, 2006, 31, 959-966.  | 2.0 | 120       |
| 10 | Effect of autologous platelet-rich plasma-releasate on intervertebral disc degeneration in the rabbit anular puncture model: a preclinical study. Arthritis Research and Therapy, 2012, 14, R241.   | 3.5 | 100       |
| 11 | Hyaluronan concentration and size distribution in human knee synovial fluid: variations with age and cartilage degeneration. Arthritis Research and Therapy, 2016, 18, 18.  | 3.5 | 94        |
| 12 | Intradiscal Injection of Autologous Platelet-Rich Plasma Releasate to Treat Discogenic Low Back Pain:<br>A Preliminary Clinical Trial. Asian Spine Journal, 2017, 11, 380-389.  | 2.0 | 89        |
| 13 | Effect of scaffold microarchitecture on osteogenic differentiation of human mesenchymal stem cells. , 2013, 25, 114-129.  |     | 76        |
| 14 | The efficacy of Link N as a mediator of repair in a rabbit model of intervertebral disc degeneration.<br>Arthritis Research and Therapy, 2011, 13, R120.  | 3.5 | 71        |
| 15 | Nerve Fiber Ingrowth Into Scar Tissue Formed Following Nucleus Pulposus Extrusion in the Rabbit<br>Anular-Puncture Disc Degeneration Model: Effects of Depth of Puncture. Spine, 2006, 31, E774-E780.                                     | 2.0 | 63        |
| 16 | New Challenges for Intervertebral Disc Treatment Using Regenerative Medicine. Tissue Engineering -<br>Part B: Reviews, 2010, 16, 147-158.   | 4.8 | 63        |
| 17 | Tissue-Engineered Human Nasal Septal Cartilage Using the Alginate-Recovered-Chondrocyte Method.<br>Laryngoscope, 2004, 114, 38-45.  | 2.0 | 62        |
| 18 | Ageâ€related reduction in the expression of FOXO transcription factors and correlations with intervertebral disc degeneration. Journal of Orthopaedic Research, 2017, 35, 2682-2691.  | 2.3 | 60        |

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| 19 | FOXO are required for intervertebral disk homeostasis during aging and their deficiency promotes<br>disk degeneration. Aging Cell, 2018, 17, e12800.   | 6.7 | 59        |
| 20 | <p>Platelet-rich plasma in the management of chronic low back pain: a critical review</p> .<br>Journal of Pain Research, 2019, Volume 12, 753-767.   | 2.0 | 49        |
| 21 | Fine-Grain Segmentation of the Intervertebral Discs from MR Spine Images Using Deep Convolutional<br>Neural Networks: BSU-Net. Applied Sciences (Switzerland), 2018, 8, 1656.  | 2.5 | 39        |
| 22 | Morphology of intervertebral disc ruptures evaluated by vacuum phenomenon using multi-detector<br>computed tomography: association with lumbar disc degeneration and canal stenosis. BMC<br>Musculoskeletal Disorders, 2018, 19, 164.  | 1.9 | 34        |
| 23 | Axonal Growth Potential of Lumbar Dorsal Root Ganglion Neurons in an Organ Culture System.<br>Spine, 2007, 32, 857-863.  | 2.0 | 30        |
| 24 | CD146 defines commitment of cultured annulus fibrosus cells to express a contractile phenotype.<br>Journal of Orthopaedic Research, 2016, 34, 1361-1372.   | 2.3 | 28        |
| 25 | ISSLS PRIZE IN BASIC SCIENCE 2018: Growth differentiation factor-6 attenuated pro-inflammatory molecular changes in the rabbit anular-puncture model and degenerated disc-induced pain generation in the rat xenograft radiculopathy model. European Spine Journal, 2018, 27, 739-751. | 2.2 | 27        |
| 26 | Proton density water fraction as a biomarker of bone marrow cellularity: Validation in ex vivo spine<br>specimens. Magnetic Resonance Imaging, 2014, 32, 1097-1101.  | 1.8 | 26        |
| 27 | Quantitative magnetic resonance imaging of the lumbar intervertebral discs. Quantitative Imaging in<br>Medicine and Surgery, 2016, 6, 744-755.   | 2.0 | 22        |
| 28 | Synthetic bone mimetic matrix-mediated in situ bone tissue formation through host cell recruitment.<br>Acta Biomaterialia, 2015, 19, 1-9.  | 8.3 | 21        |
| 29 | RANK/RANKL/OPG system in the intervertebral disc. Arthritis Research and Therapy, 2017, 19, 121.   | 3.5 | 19        |
| 30 | Semi-Automatic Segmentation of Vertebral Bodies in MR Images of Human Lumbar Spines. Applied<br>Sciences (Switzerland), 2018, 8, 1586.   | 2.5 | 17        |
| 31 | Neurotropin Suppresses Inflammatory Cytokine Expression and Cell Death through Suppression of NF-κB and JNK in Hepatocytes. PLoS ONE, 2014, 9, e114071.  | 2.5 | 16        |
| 32 | Evaluation of the disco-vertebral junction using ultrashort time-to-echo magnetic resonance<br>imaging: inter-reader agreement and association with vertebral endplate lesions. Skeletal Radiology,<br>2016, 45, 1249-1256.  | 2.0 | 14        |
| 33 | Delayed notochordal cell disappearance through integrin α5β1 mechanotransduction during exâ€vivo<br>dynamic loadingâ€induced intervertebral disc degeneration. Journal of Orthopaedic Research, 2021, 39,<br>1933-1944.  | 2.3 | 14        |
| 34 | The biophysical mechanisms of altered hyaluronan concentration in synovial fluid after anterior cruciate ligament transection. Arthritis and Rheumatism, 2012, 64, 3993-4003.  | 6.7 | 13        |
| 35 | Short Link N promotes disc repair in a rabbit model of disc degeneration. Arthritis Research and Therapy, 2018, 20, 201.   | 3.5 | 13        |
| 36 | Ex vivo loading of trussed implants for spine fusion induces heterogeneous strains consistent with homeostatic bone mechanobiology. Journal of Biomechanics, 2016, 49, 4090-4097.  | 2.1 | 12        |

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| 37 | Development of a standardized histopathology scoring system for intervertebral disc degeneration<br>and regeneration in rabbit modelsâ€An initiative of the <scp>ORS</scp> spine section. JOR Spine, 2021, 4,<br>e1147.              | 3.2 | 11        |
| 38 | Micro-Computed Tomography-Based Three-Dimensional Kinematic Analysis During Lateral Bending for<br>Spinal Fusion Assessment in a Rat Posterolateral Lumbar Fusion Model. Tissue Engineering - Part C:<br>Methods, 2014, 20, 578-587. | 2.1 | 9         |
| 39 | Progression of muscle loss and fat accumulation in a rabbit model of rotator cuff tear. Journal of<br>Orthopaedic Research, 2022, 40, 1016-1025.   | 2.3 | 9         |
| 40 | Three-dimensional micro-computed tomography analysis for spinal instability after lumbar facetectomy in the rat. European Spine Journal, 2017, 26, 2014-2020.  | 2.2 | 8         |
| 41 | High-Contrast Lumbar Spinal Bone Imaging Using a 3D Slab-Selective UTE Sequence. Frontiers in Endocrinology, 2021, 12, 800398.   | 3.5 | 8         |
| 42 | Comprehensive assessment of in vivo lumbar spine intervertebral discs using a 3D adiabatic T1ϕprepared<br>ultrashort echo time (UTE-Adiab-T1Ï) pulse sequence. Quantitative Imaging in Medicine and Surgery,<br>2022, 12, 269-280.   | 2.0 | 7         |
| 43 | Highâ€contrast osteochondral junction imaging using a 3D dual adiabatic inversion recoveryâ€prepared<br>ultrashort echo time cones sequence. NMR in Biomedicine, 2021, 34, e4559.  | 2.8 | 7         |
| 44 | Evaluation of Autogenous Engineered Septal Cartilage Grafts in Rabbits: A Minimally Invasive<br>Preclinical Model. Advances in Otolaryngology, 2014, 2014, 1-7.  | 1.1 | 6         |
| 45 | Specific bone region localization of osteolytic versus osteoblastic lesions in a patient-derived xenograft model of bone metastatic prostate cancer. Asian Journal of Urology, 2016, 3, 229-239.                                     | 1.2 | 6         |
| 46 | High contrast cartilaginous endplate imaging using a 3D adiabatic inversionâ€recoveryâ€prepared<br>fatâ€saturated ultrashort echo time (3D IRâ€FSâ€UTE) sequence. NMR in Biomedicine, 2021, 34, e4579.                               | 2.8 | 6         |
| 47 | Intradiscal injection of monosodium iodoacetate induces intervertebral disc degeneration in an experimental rabbit model. Arthritis Research and Therapy, 2021, 23, 297.   | 3.5 | 6         |
| 48 | Strains in trussed spine interbody fusion implants are modulated by load and design. Journal of the<br>Mechanical Behavior of Biomedical Materials, 2018, 80, 203-208.   | 3.1 | 5         |
| 49 | Novel magnetic resonance technique for characterizing mesoscale structure of trabecular bone.<br>Royal Society Open Science, 2018, 5, 180563.  | 2.4 | 4         |
| 50 | Three-dimensional computed tomographic evaluation of lateral lumbar interbody fusion:<br>morphometric change of intervertebral structure. European Spine Journal, 2021, 30, 1355-1364.   | 2.2 | 4         |
| 51 | A guide to reducing adverse outcomes in rabbit models of sciatic nerve injury. Laboratory Animal<br>Research, 2021, 37, 13.  | 2.5 | 4         |
| 52 | Effect of hyaluronidase on tissue-engineered human septal cartilage. Laryngoscope, 2016, 126,<br>1984-1989.  | 2.0 | 3         |
| 53 | Role of Curcuminoids and Tricalcium Phosphate Ceramic in Rat Spinal Fusion. Tissue Engineering - Part<br>C: Methods, 2020, 26, 577-589.  | 2.1 | 2         |
| 54 | A perspective on the <scp><i>ORS Spine Section</i></scp> initiative to develop a multiâ€species <scp><i>JOR Spine</i></scp> histopathology series. JOR Spine, 2021, 4, e1165.  | 3.2 | 2         |

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| 55 | A novel magnetic resonance imaging postprocessing technique for the assessment of intervertebral<br>disc degeneration—Correlation with histological grading in a rabbit disc degeneration model. JOR<br>Spine, 2019, 2, e1060. | 3.2 | 1         |
| 56 | Transplantation of Tissue-Engineered Cartilage in an Animal Model (Xenograft and Autograft):<br>Construct Validation. Methods in Molecular Biology, 2015, 1340, 247-259.   | 0.9 | 1         |
| 57 | 10.4172/2324-8785.1000172. Journal of Otology & Rhinology, 2014, 03, .   | 0.1 | 1         |
| 58 | Prevalence of radiographic hip dysplasia in Japanese population-based study. Modern Rheumatology, 2021, , 1-6.   | 1.8 | 0         |