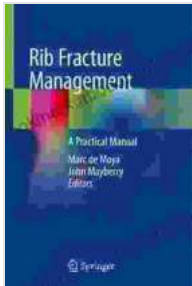


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Rib fractures are a common injury, and they can be very painful. Rib fractures can occur as a result of a variety of different types of trauma, such as car accidents, falls, and sports injuries. The severity of a rib fracture can vary depending on the number of ribs that are fractured, the location of the fracture, and the degree of displacement.

Rib fractures can be a serious injury, and they can lead to a number of complications, such as pain, difficulty breathing, and pneumonia. In severe cases, rib fractures can be fatal.

Diagnosis

The diagnosis of a rib fracture is typically made based on a physical examination and a chest X-ray. The physical examination will reveal tenderness and swelling over the fractured ribs. The chest X-ray will show the location and extent of the fracture.

Treatment

The treatment of rib fractures depends on the severity of the injury. In most cases, treatment will involve pain management and supportive care. Pain management can be achieved with over-the-counter pain relievers, such as ibuprofen or acetaminophen. Supportive care may include rest, ice, and compression.

In some cases, more aggressive treatment may be necessary. This may include surgery to repair the fractured ribs or to remove a portion of the rib. Surgery may also be necessary to treat complications, such as a collapsed lung or a pleural effusion.

Rehabilitation

Rehabilitation after a rib fracture is important to help restore function and prevent complications. Rehabilitation may include exercises to improve range of motion and strength, as well as breathing exercises.

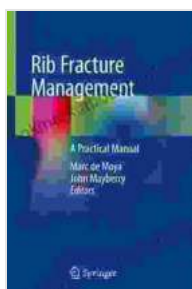
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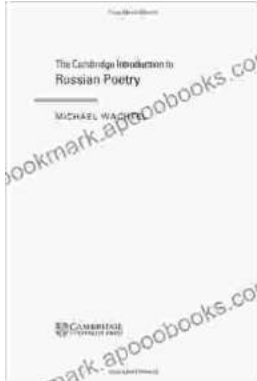
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