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While working at his farm patient sustained injury when he fell from a trailer. Rehab was unsuccessful due to complete rupture of his infraspinatus in the left shoulder. Patient presented with weak to absent internal rotation, decrease ROM with significant pain. Patient started the SAM treatment within 10 days of the injury. Patients pain was well controlled with the SAM ultrasound pre-operatively with limited OTC NSAID requirement.

Patient had surgery to repair rupture. Resumed SAM therapy 2nd post-operative week following removal of post op dressing. With SAM therapy patients post-operative pain remained well controlled. Only 4 does of weak narcotic analgesic was required in total. NSAID use was infrequent and very limited.

Continued use of the SAM modality greatly facilitated rehab and recovery. The design of the system allowed precise placement of the transducers to address specific areas of increased pain and focal inflammation resulting from the progressive increases in post-operative rehab and return to activity. Patient was able to return to full active work activities as a practicing physician on the 4th post-operative day. Use of the SAM unit was maintained both at work and at home without difficulty.

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