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Jordan Hill has herniated disk

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Kamenetzky: Back Pains Pain Lakers



The Lakers' top preseason goal was to avoid injuries but Jordan Hill has joined Dwight Howard as a big man with a bad back, says Andy Kamenetzky. [Blog](#)

[Los Angeles Lakers](#) forward [Jordan Hill](#) was diagnosed with a herniated disk in his back and will be re-evaluated in a week, the team announced today.

Hill, who was examined by back specialist Dr. Robert Watkins Jr., had 10 points, three rebounds, three assists and a block in 20 minutes of action in the Lakers' 110-83 loss to the [Golden State Warriors](#) Sunday night in the preseason opener for both teams.

Hill, who signed a two-year deal worth more than \$7.1 million this past offseason, is the primary backup to [Pau Gasol](#) and [Dwight Howard](#). However, rookie center [Robert Sacre](#) started at center Sunday night while Howard continues to recover from a back injury.
