Algorithm for morphologic classification

Type A. Compression Injuries
- Minor, nonstructural fractures: No bony injury or minor injuries such as an isolated lamina fracture or osseoligamentous strain.
- A0

Type B. Tension Band Injuries
- Posterior tension band injury (bony): Physical disruption or separation of the tension band structures (bone/ligament).
- B1

Type C. Translation Injuries
- Translational injury in any axis-displacement or translation of one vertebral body relative to another in any direction
- C

Type D. Facet Injuries
- Displacement/Chondral separation (e-pub)
- D

Type E. Capsuloligamentous injury without complete disruption.
- E

Type F. Bilateral Injuries
- Bilateral injury
- F

Classification nomenclature
- C6-C7: B2
- C6-C7: B2* (If only facet injuries are identified – no A, B, or C injury –, they are listed first after the level of injury.)
- C6-C7: C
- C6-C7: C
- C6-C7: C

Further Information:
- www.aospine.org/classification