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A's Place Yoenis Céspedes on DL; Recall Josh Donaldson from Sacramento

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland A's placed outfielder Yoenis Céspedes on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to May 7 with a strained muscle in his left hand, the club announced today. To take his place on the roster, the A's recalled third baseman Josh Donaldson from Triple-A Sacramento.

Céspedes was batting .245 with five home runs and a team-leading 21 RBI in 28 games with the A's before he was scratched from the starting lineup Tuesday night against Toronto. He leads Major League rookies in RBI and stolen bases (4) and is tied for the lead in home runs. Céspedes is eligible to be reinstated May 22.

Donaldson was on the A's Opening Day roster and hit .094 with no RBI in nine games before he was optioned to Sacramento April 23. He batted .447 with five home runs and 14 RBI with the River Cats and reached base safely via hit or walk in all 13 of his games for a .509 on-base percentage. Donaldson homered four times over a six-game stretch from April 28 to May 4 and drove in a run in seven consecutive games from April 28 to May 5. He appeared in nine games at third base and five at catcher.

The complete 2012 statistics for Donaldson follow:

	AVG	G	AB	R	н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
OAKLAND	.094	9	32	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	13	1	0	.094	.094
Sacramento (AAA)	.447	13	47	10	21	1	1	5	14	5	4	0	2	.830	.509

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