Reviewer’s report

Title: Role of the supine lateral radiograph of the spine in vertebroplasty for osteoporotic vertebral compression fracture: A prospective study

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Page 4, Content: "The 3 radiographs (preoperative standing, supine lateral, and postoperative standing view) were digitized to measure the VH of the index vertebra, which was the distance between the midpoints of upper and lower endplates on the lateral views described by McKiernan et al..." Diagram of vertebral body height ratios would be helpful

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.