Reviewer's report

Title: Percutaneous pedicle screw reduction and axial presacral lumbar interbody fusion for treatment of lumbosacral spondylolisthesis: a case series

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Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: Other

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Management of a commonly occurring problem with minimally invasive method.

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is the case report ethical?: Yes

Is there any missing information that you think must be added before publication?: Yes

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: Yes

Does the case report have explanatory value?: Yes

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: No

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

There are many studies about percutaneous presacral axial screw placement for degenerative disc disease. The authors here describe these specifically for Grade 2 spondylolisthesis. Since the axial pre sacral screw placement is a newer technique, the authors need to describe the placement procedure in more detail, example: where exactly was the initial entry point, the final point, any difficulties in reaching anterior aspect of sacrum while still maintaining the trajectory.

Quality of written English: Acceptable
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'I declare that I have no competing interests'