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Title: Cervical Ligamentum Flavum Cyst: Case Report and Literature Review

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Dear Editor,

Please consider for reviewing the case report with the title:
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We are presenting a very rare case of a cervical ligamentum flavum cyst in an 82-year old lady that was managed surgically, after posterior cervical laminectomy and radical extirpation. To the authors best knowledge it is the 8th case world wide, and the first literature review relevant to this topic to be published.

The take away message of this case report and literature review is that ligamentum flavum cysts should be included in the differential diagnosis of spinal cystic lesions. In addition, the pathogenesis, clinical presentation, imaging findings and management options and prognosis of this pathological entity are thoroughly discussed.

This presentation is of interest to orthopedists, neurologists, neurosurgeons, radiologists, histopathologists and physical therapists, which are some of the medical disciplines to be involved in the diagnosis and management of patients harboring such lesions.

Thanks in advance and looking forward for your response.

Sincerely

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