Reviewer’s report

Title: Giant Invasive Spinal Schwannoma in Children: Case Report and Review of the Literature

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Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: None

Has the case been reported coherently?: No

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?: Yes

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

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

Introduction in the abstract is almost copied from

Without an adequate reference of the article

Introduction

Please focus the introduction towards "Giant invasive spinal schwannoma" presently it is too generalized.

Please describe the local spine examination findings
Details of Ki-67 index

In the present study, gross total resection was achieved in 3 of 3 patients (operative details were not provided for 1 of the 4 patients). Of the patients undergoing gross total resection, one patient underwent a second operation for tumor resection as the first operation consisted only of a posterior decompression without any attempt at tumor resection.

Poorly written manuscript

Needs major editing for language.

**Quality of written English:** Not suitable for publication unless extensively edited

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I declare that I have no competing interests