Reviewer’s report

Title: Spinal epidural hematoma without significant trauma in children: Two case reports and review of the literature

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Reviewer's report:

Thank you for this review.

The authors have presented 2 cases of SEH in children, a condition with very little in the literature. The manuscript is well written. I agree the manuscript should potentially be structured as a review given the systematic nature of the literature search that follows. The systematic literature review does not fully insert into a case report format, although works well for a literature review.

The article is also well written and conclusions are supported.

A few minor issues with the English in the revised sections:

Background - line 2 In "the " literature

line 6 -the condition "is" mostly

line 7 decades "of life", with a

Line 17-soem factor"s" are "important in" determining the choice of treatment:...

Case 1. "anamnestic" should be change to "no a posteriori history of "...

Table 1 can likely be shortened significantly, and consider removing the N column and adding this to first column with the units.

Eg. Age at diagnosis in years, median (IQR) (N=153).

Time from diagnosis to treatment in days, median (IQR) (N=...)
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