Reviewer’s report

Title: Posterior decompression and occipitocervical fixation followed by intraoperative vertebroplasty for metastatic involvement of the axis

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Reviewer: Michel Teubén

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I would like to thank the authors for their corrections.

Before publication I suggest to perform a statistical review. However, when statistics are decent the manuscript is suitable for publication in my opinion.

Despite the fact that the Information is not innovative (and results are published before in the J Neurosurg Spine Papp et all. 2014), this is the second study on this technique and includes a higher number of patients. Therefore I believe it mandates publication.

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