Reviewer’s report

Title: Characteristics of Cervical Sagittal Parameters in Healthy Cervical Spine Adults and Patients with Cervical Disc Degeneration

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The authors investigated to investigate the characteristics and relationships of cervical sagittal parameters in normal adults and patients with cervical disc degeneration. Then, they concluded that T1 slope was involved in the occurrence and development of cervical disc degeneration, and thoracic inlet angle could be considered as a constant morphological parameter in both the normal population and cervical disc degeneration patients.

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