

Reviewer #1:

**Scientific Quality:** Grade C (Good)

**Language Quality:** Grade A (Priority publishing)

**Conclusion:** Accept (High priority)

**Specific Comments to Authors:** The case report is about detecting ligamentum flavum hematoma using MRI for a patient with lumbar radicular pain after a traffic accident. The case report is well written. I have only a few minor comments for the authors to consider. 1. There is a gap of 41 days after the patient was scanned and confirmed with the diagnosis, and surgery. The discussion has explained the initial management is pain reduction. It will be interesting to know when this has been changed (after how many days and why) and hemilaminectomy is decided as the next course of action. 2. Figure 1. Please specify the MRI modality used for image A and B.

**Answer:** I appreciate your comments. Following the comments, we presented the treatment prior to the surgical operation. Also, we added the MRI modality used for image A and B.

#### 4 LANGUAGE QUALITY

Please resolve all language issues in the manuscript based on the peer review report. Please be sure to have a native-English speaker edit the manuscript for grammar, sentence structure, word usage, spelling, capitalization, punctuation, format, and general readability, so that the manuscript's language will meet our direct publishing needs.

#### 5 EDITORIAL OFFICE'S COMMENTS

Authors must revise the manuscript according to the Editorial Office's comments and suggestions, which are listed below:

**(1) Science editor:** 1 Scientific quality: The manuscript describes a case report of the ligamentum flavum hematoma following a traffic accident. The topic is within the scope of the WJCC. (1) Classification: Grade C; (2) Summary of the Peer-Review Report: The case report is about detecting ligamentum flavum hematoma using MRI for a patient with lumbar radicular pain after a traffic accident. The case report is well written. The questions raised by the reviewers should be answered; (3) Format: There is 1 figure; (4) References: A total of 14 references are cited, including no references published in the last 3 years; (5) Self-cited references: There is no self-cited reference; and (6) References recommendations: The authors have the right to refuse to cite improper references recommended by the peer reviewer(s), especially references published by the peer reviewer(s) him/herself (themselves). If the authors find the peer reviewer(s) request for the authors to cite improper references published by him/herself (themselves), please send the peer reviewer's ID number to [editorialoffice@wjnet.com](mailto:editorialoffice@wjnet.com). The Editorial Office will close and remove the peer reviewer from the F6Publishing system immediately. 2 Language evaluation: Classification: Grade A. A language editing certificate issued by Editage was provided. 3 Academic norms and rules: The authors didn't provide the written informed consent of treatment. No academic misconduct was found in the Bing search. 4 Supplementary comments: This is an unsolicited manuscript. The study was supported by National Research Foundation of Korea grant funded by the Korean government. The topic has not previously been published in the WJCC. 5 Issues raised:

(1) The authors did not provide the approved grant application form(s). Please upload the approved grant application form(s) or funding agency copy of any approval document(s); (2) The authors did not provide original pictures. Please provide the original figure documents. Please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor; and (3) Please provide the written informed consent of treatment. 6 Recommendation: Conditional acceptance.

Answer: We uploaded the grant copy, original PPT file, and the written informed consent of treatment to the journal site.

**(2) Editorial office director:**

**(3) Company editor-in-chief:** I have reviewed the Peer-Review Report, the full text of the manuscript, and the relevant ethics documents, all of which have met the basic publishing requirements of the World Journal of Clinical Cases, and the manuscript is conditionally accepted. I have sent the manuscript to the author(s) for its revision according to the Peer-Review Report, Editorial Office's comments and the Criteria for Manuscript Revision by Authors. Before its final acceptance, the author(s) must provide the Signed Informed Consent Form(s) or Document(s). For example, authors from China should upload the Chinese version of the document, authors from Italy should upload the Italian version of the document, authors from Germany should upload the Deutsch version of the document, and authors from the United States and the United Kingdom should upload the English version of the document, et

Answer: Following your comments, we provided the Korean version of the signed informed consent.