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In response.

To Reviewer #02281177 Comments:

This is an interesting and well-written case report. It broadens our horizons about causes of low back pain. Unfortunately, Figure 1 is not typical, and cannot represent pathology of the

disease. I suggest that authors replace a new figure that can clearly show entrapment of middle cluneal nerve. If there is better figure, can only so.

Reply to the Reviewer's Comments:

Thank you for the comment and the advice. I have changed the photo for Figure 1. The new figure shows the typical appearance of the nerve entrapment. Accordingly, the sentence in P6 and figure legend has also been revised.

P6. The MCNs were decompressed by excising the LPSL where the nerve penetrates the ligament.

P11. Figure 1. Photo taken during the surgical release of a left-side middle cluneal nerve (MCN).

Medially to the posterior superior iliac crest (P), the MCN is identified passing under the superficial layer of the long posterior sacroiliac ligament. The nerve is seen to be entrapped under the deeper layer of the long posterior sacroiliac ligament (LPSL) where it penetrates the ligament (arrow). The yellow and red tapes have been used to lift the proximal and distal portions of MCN branch, respectively.

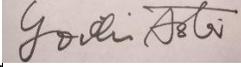
Reviewer # 00214310 Comments:

This is a nicely written case report focusing on an unusual cause of low back and leg pain. It can be accepted for publication

Reply to the Reviewer's Comments:

Thank you for the kind comment.

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