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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Abstract: "We first report a case that showed ...." Should read "we are the first to report a case....." no evidence to support the main conclusion that "Intravertebral stability after treatment has played an important role in this patient." Discussion: "Because of the presence of the fracture line between the intravertebral clef and the EDH, we assumed that the instability of the fracture was a cause of hematoma. This assumption was verified by the resolution of the fracture and the EDH after successful PVP, presumably through the stabilization in this fracture.". Again, no evidence is offered. At best, it could be stated that "we theorized that the instability of the fracture.....". The author should again remind the reader that these hematomas resolve spontaneously (as referenced earlier) and this may represent spontaneous resolution.