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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an interesting case to be described in the literature. The authors have shown progression of the case with radiographs findings. I would accept this manuscript with following changes: 1. A CT scan to confirm authors' claim of solid fusion. 2. Initial statement in the manuscript should be modified, the use of lumbar TDR is not advocated by surgeons as a substitute for fusion surgery, only in certain cases. 3. Authors should comment on patient's ROM/quality of facets at L5/S1 prior to surgery, use of brace, and administration of NSAIDs.