Reviewer #1:

**Scientific Quality:** Grade B (Very good)

**Language Quality:** Grade B (Minor language polishing)

**Conclusion:** Minor revision

**Specific Comments to Authors:** Regarding the case report parts 1. Introduction: well written, concise. 2. Case report: the fact, that the patient reported falls and after these falls developer pain in the neck and right shoulder with subsequent neck massages, suggests the role of traumatic mechanism in the development of CSF leak, therefore weakening the diagnosis of spontaneous cerebrospinal fluid leakage. The clinical description and decision for the selected surgical approach are well written and concise. 3. Surgical procedure – adequately described. Surprisingly, the authors have treated the CSF leaking site only with temporary cottonoid compression. 4. Postoperative course – well described, the clinical course and MRI scans suggest good surgical results regarding both spinal cord compression and cerebrospinal fluid leakage (the relief of postural headaches). 5. Discussion: the authors mention the possible role of neck massages (therefore not spontaneous in the strictest sense of the word, but rather „traumatic„, but this is a matter of discussion and I respect the opinion of the authors. The term lumbar pool drainage sounds unusual, I think that the term lumbar drainage is sufficient. Finally after answering the small queries regarding the term „spontaneous„, in the setting of (minor) traumatic injuries I will gladly recommend this well prepared and written paper for publication.

Reply:

Thanks for the precious comments.

We have done the language polishing.
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