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33	Background Content Lumbar axial back pain arising from degenerative disc
34	disease continues to be a challenging clinical problem whether treated with non-
35	surgical management, local injection, or motion segment stabilization and fusion.
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37	Purpose To determine the efficacy of intraosseous basivertebral nerve ablation for
38	the treatment of chronic lumbar back pain in a clinical setting.
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40	Study Design Patients meeting predefined inclusion/exclusion criteria were
41	enrolled in a study using RF energy to ablate the basivertebral nerve within the
42	vertebral bodies adjacent to the diagnosed level. Patients were evaluated at 6
43	weeks, and 3, 6, and 12 months post-operatively.
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