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19 **Abstract**

20 **Background context:** Percutaneous endoscopic discectomy (PED) is a minimally
21 invasive procedure for the surgical treatment of lumbar disc herniation (LDH). It can be
22 performed under local anesthesia and requires a skin incision of only 8 mm, with
23 minimal disruption of the spinal structures including ligaments and muscles. However,
24 performing PED with a transforaminal approach (TF-PED) for the lower lumbar spine

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