

Lumbosacral plexopathy

A 51-year-old lady who developed a contralateral lumbosacral [plexopathy](#) two days after a lumbar microdiscectomy. This is the first report to date of this complication occurring following this procedure.

Tulloch et al. review the literature regarding lumbosacral plexopathy and discuss the evidence base behind investigating and managing this condition and the potential pathophysiological mechanisms which underlie its development. We draw comparisons with the more widely recognised post-operative brachial neuritis, characterised by delayed onset brachial plexopathy developing after cervical decompression, and propose an immune-mediated inflammatory mechanism linking the two conditions ¹⁾.

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Tulloch I, Ali R, Papadopoulos MC. Contralateral lumbosacral plexopathy following lumbar microdiscectomy. Br J Neurosurg. 2018 Jan 26;1-5. doi: 10.1080/02688697.2018.1429568. [Epub ahead of print] PubMed PMID: 29373920.

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