ERRATUM

Isadore Max Tarlov (1905–1977) and the controversial Tarlov cyst: historical perspective

TO THE EDITOR: We appreciate the publication of our article, “Isadore Max Tarlov (1905–1977) and the controversial Tarlov cyst: historical perspective” (J Neurosurg Spine [epub ahead of print October 30, 2015; DOI: 10.3171/2015.5.SPINE1590]). On reading the article online, however, we discovered two misspellings in the abstract and one in the text.

In the abstract (line 3), “homeostasis” should have been “hemostasis” and “lumber” should have been “lumbar.” In the text, in the subsection entitled Introduction of the “Dry Surgical Field” in Spine Surgery, again “lumbar” was misspelled as “lumber” (page 3, left column, line 1).

We also discovered two other errors that we would like to correct at this time. First, in the section entitled Modern Concept and Treatment Options for Tarlov Cysts, we described the Tarlov cyst as “a unique cyst of the spinal cord” (page 3, right column, paragraph 1, sentence 1). It would have been more accurate to describe it as “a unique cyst of the nerve root sleeve.” After correction, the sentence is as follows:

The etiology of “Tarlov cyst,” a unique cyst of the nerve root sleeve, is unknown.

Second, in the legend for Figure 3, we incorrectly described the “knee-chest position” as the “knee-elbow position.” After correction, the legend is as follows:

FIG. 3. Intraoperative photograph of the knee-chest position.

We apologize to the readers and to the Editor for the errors, and we appreciate the opportunity to correct them. The correct version of the paper was posted online as of December 4, 2015, and appears in this issue.

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