Release and repair of a ventral thoracic spinal cord herniation

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Ventral thoracic spinal cord herniation is a rare but increasingly recognized cause of progressive myelopathy. This video demonstrates the imaging characteristics and surgical techniques for release and reduction of the spinal cord herniation as well as primary repair and reinforcement of the ventral dural hernia defect through an extended posterior approach. An instrumented fusion was concomitantly performed.

The video can be found here: [http://youtu.be/6Pcokep6Tug.](http://youtu.be/6Pcokep6Tug)

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