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# ROLE OF LUMBOSACRAL MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING IN CLINICAL EVALUATION OF ADULT NOCTURNAL ENURESIS

#### Hypothesis / aims of study

Nocturnal enuresis is known as a childhood disease but it also seen in adult life. It effects on patient's personality and causes social problems. However, neuroanatomical, psychological, and functional causes of nocturnal enuresis is a condition that can be treated. In this retrospective study we investigated the diagnostic method of lumbosacral magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) which is commonly used in clinical evaluation of adult patients with nocturnal enuresis.

# Study design, materials and methods

Adult patients who have complaint about bed-wetting during sleep and admitted to our clinic between 2009-2016 investigated and a database was performed. Lumbosacral (vertebral+spinal cord) MR images, physical examination and urodynamic studies added to this database.

# Results

The data of 70 patients (68 males, 2 female) accordance with the criteria has been reached. The mean age was 21.6 years (range: 18-43). On physical examination, twenty-nine patients had lumbosacral/sacral hypertrichosis, one patient had meatal stenosis, one patient had increased anal sphincter tonus and other patients were normal. On videourodynamic study(VUDS), 10 (14.2%) patients had single pathology while 56 (80%) patients had two or more associated VUDS findings. 4 (5.7%) patients had normal VUDS results. On the lumbosacral spinal MRI, only 4 (5.7%) patients had neurogenic pathology to explain nocturnal enuresis (1 tethered cord, 1 filum terminale lipoma, 1 vertebral hemanjioma, 1 scoliosis) were detected. 53 (75.7%) patients had normal MRI, while 15 (21.4%) patients had pathology of vertebral bone structure (12 Schmorl nodule, 3 changes in bone structure) were detected (Table.1&2).

### Interpretation of results

According to our study results, MRI seems to be limited role for planning the treatment procedure for adult nocturnal enuretic patients.

## Concluding message

Our findings showed that lumbosacral MRI provides a little contribution to clinical evaluation in adult patients with NE.

Table.1: Characteristics of Pathological MRI Finding Patient

No.	Sex	Age	Physical Examination	Urodynamic Result	MRI Finding
1	Μ	20	Sacral hypertrichosis	DO, HB, LBC, IBS, BOO, D/C	Filum terminale lipoma Vertebral hemanjioma, Schmorl
2	M	28	Normal	DOI, HB, LBC	Nodul
3	Μ	21	Sacral hypertrichosis	DO, HB, LBC, BOO, D/C	Tethered Cord
4	М	21	Meatal Stenosis	LBC, B00	Scoliosis, Schmorl Nodul

**DO:** Detruor overactivity, **HB:** Hypocompliant bladder, **LBC:** Low bladder capacity, **IBS:** Increased bladder sensation, **BOO:** Bladder outflow obstruction, **D/C:** Diverticula/cellula, **DOI:** Detrusor overactivity incontinence

**Table.2: Patient characteristics** 

Sex	No. (n:70)					
Male	68					
Female	2					
Physical Examination						
Hypertrichosis	29					
Meatal Stenosis	1					
Increased Anal Sphincter Tonus	1					
Normal	39					
Urodynamic Study						
Detrusor Overctivity	29					
Detrusor Overactivity Incontinence	5					

Detrusor Underactivity	5					
Overactive Pelvic Floor Muscle	1					
Low Bladder Capacity	24					
Hypocompliant Bladder	23					
Bladder Outflow Obstruction	14					
Reduced Bladder Sensation	14					
Increased Bladder Sensation	1					
Spinning Top Deformity	2					
Relative Low Bladder Capacity	19					
Relative Hypocompliant Bladder	4					
Post Voiding Detrusor Overactivity	13					
Sustained Detrusor Underactivity	1					
Voiding Detrusor Underactivity	1					
Suspicious Bladder Outflow Obst.	2					
High Pressure Voiding	10					
Increased Bladder Sensation	3					
Relative Increased Bladder Capacity	2					
Diverticula/Cellula/Trabeculation	2					
Normal	4					
Lumbosacral MRI Finding						
Normal	53					
Vertebral Bone Deformity	15					
Vertebral Hemanjiom	1					
Tetherd Cord	1					
Filum Terminale Lipoma	1					
Scoliosis	1					

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