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eTable 1. CSM-S Trial Enrollment by Site and Strategy

Site (Principal Investigator)	Dorsal Laminoplasty	Dorsal Fusion	Ventral Fusion	Total
Lahey Hospital & Medical Center (Ghogawala)	6	13	12	31
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey (Heary)	0	7	4	11
University of Utah Hospital (Bisson)	6	2	7	15
Cleveland Clinic Foundation (Benzel)	0	7	3	10
Thomas Jefferson University Hospital (Harrop)	2	6	4	12
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (Kanter)	1	11	10	22
Washington University School of Medicine (Riew)	4	1	2	7
MetroHealth Medical Center (Steinmetz)	0	1	0	1
Medical College of Wisconsin (Wang)	0	3	3	6
Toronto Western Hospital, University Health Network (Fehlings)	0	5	5	10
Hospital for Special Surgery, New York City (Albert)	6	2	2	10
Emory University School of Medicine (Heller)	1	0	1	2
University of California, San Francisco (Mummaneni)	2	7	7	16
Columbia University Medical Center (Riew)	0	1	1	2
University of Kansas Medical Center (Arnold)	0	3	5	8
Total Patients	28	69	66	163

eTable 2. Baseline Characteristics of Patients by Actual Treatment Groups

	Dorsal	Dorsal	Ventral
	Laminoplasty	Fusion	Fusion
	n=28	n=69	n=66
Age, mean (SD) <sup>a</sup>	62.3 (8.9)	62.7 (8.7)	61.9 (7.4)
Sex			
Male	13 (46)	37 (54)	30 (45)
Female	15 (54)	32 (46)	36 (55)
Race			
White	27 (96)	57 (83)	55 (83)
Black	0	6 (9)	7 (11)
Asian	1 (4)	2 (3)	2 (3)
American Indian	0	2 (3)	2 (3)
Not provided	0	2 (3)	0
Hispanic ethnicity	1 (4)	3 (4)	2 (3)
Baseline work status			
Working full-time	12 (43)	26 (38)	19 (29)
Retired	7 (25)	22 (32)	14 (21)
Not working, unable to work	5 (18)	14 (20)	16 (24)
Not working, but able to work	4 (14)	2 (3)	9 (14)
Working part-time	0	3 (4)	8 (12)
ASA <sup>b</sup>			
1 (healthy)	0	1 (1.5)	0
2 (mild systemic disease)	12 (43)	33 (48)	32 (48.5)
3 (significant systemic disease)	15 (53.5)	34 (49)	32 (48.5)
Number of stenotic levels, mean (SD)	2.8 (0.6)	2.9 (0.8)	2.7 (0.7)
Number of stenotic levels			
1	0	2 (3)	1 (1.5)
2	9 (32)	19 (27)	23 (35)
3	17 (61)	37 (54)	34 (51.5)
4	2 (7)	9 (13)	8 (12)
5	0	2 (3)	0
Neck Disability Index <sup>c</sup> , mean (SD)	33.0 (18.6)	37.3 (20.9)	37.3 (19.5)
SF-36 Mental Component Summary <sup>d</sup> , mean (SD)	48.8 (8.9)	46.0 (13.2)	45.3 (12.1)
SF-36 Physical Component Summaryd, mean (SD)	36.7 (10.9)	37.1 (9.4)	37.8 (9.0)
Modified Japanese Orthopedic Associatione, mean (SD)	12.5 (2.6)	11.9 (2.1)	12.3 (2.7)
EuroQoL-5 Dimensionsf, mean (SD)	0.64 (0.22)	0.60 (0.21)	0.63 (0.22)
EuroQoL-5 Dimensions Visual Analog Scalef, mean (SD)	65.2 (21.0)	61.1 (22.7)	62.8 (20.1)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Data are presented as n (%) unless otherwise noted.

EuroQol-5 Dimensions (EQ-5D), 0 indicates death and 1 represents a perfect health state. For EQ-5D Visual Analogy Scale, patients represent their health state on a scale from 0-100, with higher scores representing better health. EQ-5D scores between 0.6 and 0.7 represent a moderate but significant reduction in overall health-related quality of life.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>The American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) classification is used to assess a patient's physical health and co-morbidities in order to predict perioperative risk prior to surgery; I=normal/healthy, II=mild systemic disease, III=significant systemic disease, IV=systemic disease that is life threatening (excluded from study).<sup>1</sup>

Neck Disability Index, range 0-100, with lower scores representing less disability. A typical patient with moderate neck pain and disability would have a score between 20-40.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup>SF-36 Mental Component Summary and Physical Component Summary scores range from 0-100, with higher scores representing better quality of life. A typical patient with cervical myelopathy who is being recommended surgery would have a score between 30-40. 
<sup>e</sup>Modified Japanese Orthopedic Association, range 0-17, with higher scores representing less dysfunction from myelopathy. A typical patient with moderate cervical myelopathy has a mJOA score between 12 and 14. Many other surgical studies show that patients with cervical myelopathy have mJOA scores in this range.<sup>2</sup>

eTable 3. Comparison of 1- and 2-Year Change in SF-36 Physical Component **Summary Score** 

	Dorsal	Ventral	Estimated between-group difference in mean change (95% CI) <sup>b</sup>	p-value <sup>b</sup>
	n=97	n=60		
Mean at baseline (SD)	37.6 (9.9)	37.6 (8.9)	-	-
Mean at one year (SD) <sup>a</sup>	n=95 44.0 (10.5)	n=60 43.5 (10.7)	-	-
One-year mean change from baseline (SD)	6.2 (10.2)	5.9 (8.2)	0.3 (-2.6, 3.1)	0.859
Mean at two years (SD) <sup>a</sup>	n=79 43.6 (10.8)	n=51 43.4 (10.5)	-	-
Two-year mean change from baseline (SD)	6.0 (11.0)	5.2 (7.9)	1.1 (-1.9, 4.2)	0.458

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Some patients did not have data following baseline and are therefore not included in models. <sup>b</sup>Estimated difference and p-values from linear mixed effects models adjusted for baseline values and clustering by surgeon.

eTable 4. Primary Analysis, Secondary Outcomes: Mixed Effects Model Comparisons of 1- and 2-Year Change in Outcome Scores by Randomized Groups

	Dorsal	Ventral	Estimated between-group difference in mean change (95% CI) <sup>b</sup>	p-value <sup>b</sup>
Neck Disability Index <sup>a</sup>	n=97	n=60		
Mean at baseline (SD)	35.4 (20.5)	38.1 (19.1)	-	-
Mean at one year (SD)	n=95 22.5 (20.3)	n=60 22.9 (20.1)	-	-
One-year mean change from baseline (SD)	-12.2 (17.9)	-15.1 (16.5)	1.6 (-3.6, 6.8)	0.54
Mean at two years (SD)	n=79 22.1 (21.3)	n=51 20.4 (20.2)	-	1
Two-year mean change from baseline (SD)	-13.0 (17.4)	-14.9 (18.1)	2.1 (-3.3, 7.4)	0.46
EuroQoL-5 Dimensions <sup>a</sup>	n=97	n=60		
Mean at baseline (SD)	0.61 (0.21)	0.64 (0.21)	-	-
Mean at one year (SD)	n=95 0.76 (0.19)	n=59 0.77 (0.21)	-	-
One-year mean change from baseline (SD)	0.15 (0.20)	0.13 (0.21)	0.00 (-0.05, 0.06)	0.97
Mean at two years (SD)	n=79 0.78 (0.19)	n=51 0.78 (0.20)	-	-
Two-year mean change from baseline (SD)	0.16 (0.22)	0.12 (0.23)	0.02 (-0.04, 0.08)	0.48
Modified Japanese Orthopedic Association <sup>a</sup>	n=91	n=60		
Mean at baseline (SD)	12.2 (2.3)	12.2 (2.7)	-	-
Mean at one year (SD)	14.2 (2.5)	14.5 (2.6)	-	-
One-year mean change from baseline (SD)	2.0 (2.9)	2.4 (2.9)	-0.4 (-1.1, 0.4)	0.37
Post-Op SVA <sup>a</sup>	n=78	n=49		
Mean (SD)	26.7 (13.3)	23.2 (11.8)	3.5 (-1.0, 8.1)	0.13

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eTable 5. Cumulative Health Resource Utilization Over 1-Year Between Ventral and Dorsal Approach

	Dorsal	Ventral	Difference (95% Confidence Interval)	p-value
All Data N (%)	n=100	n=63		
Diagnostic Testing (any)	77 (77.0)	52 (82.5)	5.5 (-6.9, 18.0)	0.40
MRI	43 (43.0)	28 (44.4)	1.4 (-14.2, 17.1)	0.86
СТ	16 (16.0)	11 (17.5)	1.5 (-10.4, 13.3)	0.81
X-ray	64 (64.0)	50 (79.4)	15.4 (1.6, 29.1)	0.04
Physical Therapy (any utilization)	52 (52.0)	34 (54.0)	2.0 (-13.8, 17.7)	0.81
Ongoing <sup>a</sup> Physical Therapy	15 (15.0)	11 (17.5)	2.5 (-9.2, 14.2)	0.68
Opioid Use (any)	57 (57.0)	29 (46.0)	-11.0 (-26.6, 4.7)	0.17
Ongoing <sup>a</sup> Opioids	11 (11.0)	6 (9.5)	-1.4 (-11.0, 8.0)	0.76
Physician Appointments (any)	31 (31.0)	17 (27.0)	-4.0 (-18.2, 10.2)	0.58

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Ongoing indicates active use of health resources 1 year after surgery.

eTable 6. Baseline Characteristics of Dorsal Laminoplasty and Dorsal Fusion Patients Treated by Surgeons Who Performed Both Procedures<sup>a</sup>

	Dorsal Laminoplasty	Dorsal Fusion
	n=27 (47)	n=31 (53)
Age, mean (SD) <sup>b</sup>	62.4 (9.1)	62.9 (7.5)
Sex		
Male	12 (44)	16 (52)
Female	15 (56)	15 (48)
Race		
White	26 (96)	29 (94)
Black	0	1 (3)
Asian	1 (4)	0
American Indian	Ô	1 (3)
Hispanic ethnicity	0	1 (3)
Baseline work status	n=27	n=30
Working full-time	12 (44)	14 (47)
Retired	7 (26)	8 (27)
Not working, unable to work	4 (15)	5 (17)
Not working, but able to work	4 (15)	0
Working part-time	0	3 (10)
ASA°	n=26	n=31
I (healthy)	0	1 (3)
II (mild systemic disease)	12 (46)	19 (61)
III (significant systemic disease)	14 (54)	11 (35)
Number of stenotic levels, mean (SD)	2.8 (0.6)	2.8 (0.8)
Number of stenotic levels		
1	0	2 (6)
2	8 (30)	8 (26)
3	17 (63)	15 (48)
4	2 (7)	6 (19)
Neck Disability Index <sup>d</sup> , mean (SD)	32.3 (18.7)	36.3 (18.9)
SF-36 Mental Component Summarye, mean (SD)	49.2 (8.8)	46.0 (10.5)
SF-36 Physical Component Summarye, mean (SD)	37.0 (10.9)	39.0 (9.4)
Modified Japanese Orthopedic Association <sup>f</sup> , mean (SD)	12.5 (2.7)	12.0 (2.1)
EuroQoL-5 Dimensions <sup>g</sup> , mean (SD)	0.65 (0.22)	0.62 (0.21)
EuroQoL-5 Dimensions Visual Analog Scale <sup>g</sup> , mean (SD)	66.5 (20.2)	61.3 (22.7)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>8/24 CSM-S spine surgeons treated patients for either dorsal laminoplasty or dorsal fusion in the trial, representing 27 and 31 enrolled patients, respectively, in each of the dorsal approaches. One spine surgeon performing laminoplasty moved institutions during the course of the trial and enrolled patients at both sites.

<sup>f</sup>Modified Japanese Orthopedic Association (mJOA), range 0-17, with higher scores representing less dysfunction from myelopathy. A typical patient with moderate cervical myelopathy has a mJOA score between 12 and 14. Many other surgical studies show that patients with cervical myelopathy have mJOA scores in this range.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>9</sup>EuroQol-5 Dimensions (EQ-5D), 0 indicates death and 1 represents a perfect health state. For EQ-5D Visual Analogy Scale, patients represent their health state on a scale from 0-100, with higher scores representing better health. EQ-5D scores between 0.6 and 0.7 represent a moderate but significant reduction in overall health-related quality of life.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>Data are presented as n (%), unless otherwise noted. All baseline values/ scores were not different between groups at the time of enrollment (p>0.10).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> The American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) classification is used to assess a patient's physical health and co-morbidities in order to predict perioperative risk prior to surgery; l=normal/healthy, II=mild systemic disease, III=significant systemic disease, IV=systemic disease that is life threatening (excluded from study).<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup>Neck Disability Index (NDI), range 0-100, with a lower score representing less disability. A typical patient with moderate neck pain and disability would have a score between 20-40.

<sup>°</sup>SF-36 Mental Component Summary (MCS) and Physical Component Summary (PCS) scores, range 0-100, with a mean population score of 50 and higher scores representing better quality of life. A typical patient with cervical myelopathy who is being recommended surgery would have a score between 30-40.

# eTable 7. Secondary Analysis, Primary Outcome: Mixed Effects Model Comparisons of 1- and 2-Year Change in Outcome Scores by Actual Treatment Groups

	Dorsal Laminoplasty	Dorsal Fusion	Ventral Fusion	Estimated between-group difference in mean change (95% CI) <sup>b</sup>	p-value <sup>b</sup>
SF-36 Physical Component Summary <sup>a</sup>	n=26	n=68	n=63		
Mean at baseline (SD)	37.3 (11.1)	37.3 (9.4)	38.1 (9.1)	-	-
Mean at one year (SD)	n=26 47.1 (9.7)	n=66 42.5 (10.4)	n=63 43.8 (10.9)	-	-
One-year mean change from baseline (SD)	9.8 (9.3)	5.0 (10.4)	5.7 (8.0)	DL vs VF: 3.88 (-0.17, 7.94) DL vs DF: 4.99 (0.95, 9.04) DF vs VF: -1.11 (-4.11, 1.88)	0.06 0.02 0.46
Mean at two years (SD)	n=21 48.3 (9.3)	n=55 41.5 (10.6)	n=54 43.8 (10.7)	-	1
Two-year mean change from baseline (SD)	9.7 (9.7)	4.5 (11.5)	5.3 (7.8)	DL vs VF: 5.08 (0.80, 9.37) DL vs DF: 5.82 (1.53, 10.1) DF vs VF: -0.74 (-3.88, 2.41)	0.02 0.01 0.65

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Some patients did not have data following baseline and are therefore not included in models. <sup>b</sup>Estimated difference and p-values from linear mixed effects models adjusted for baseline values and clustering by surgeon.

eTable 8. Secondary Analysis, Secondary Outcomes: Mixed Effects Model Comparisons of 1- and 2-Year Change in Outcome Scores by Actual Treatment

Groups

Groups	Dorsal Laminoplasty	Dorsal Fusion	Ventral Fusion	Estimated between-group difference in mean change (95% CI) <sup>b</sup>	p-value <sup>b</sup>
Neck Disability Index <sup>a</sup>	n=26	n=68	n=63		
Mean at baseline (SD)	32.9 (18.3)	37.4 (21.0)	36.8 (19.5)	-	-
Mean at one year (SD)	n=26 15.2 (15.6)	n=66 26.0 (21.3)	n=63 22.2 (19.9)	-	-
One-year mean change from baseline (SD)	-17.7 (17.5)	-10.4 (18.0)	-14.6 (16.3)	DL vs VF: -4.48 (-11.7, 2.75) DL vs DF: -8.37 (-15.5, -1.20)	0.22 0.02
Mean at two years (SD)	n=21 16.7 (17.0)	n=55 24.4 (22.8)	n=54 20.2 (19.8)	-	-
Two-year mean change from baseline (SD)	-16.4 (14.9)	-12.0 (18.5)	-14.5 (17.8)	DL vs VF: -2.37 (-9.97, 5.23) DL vs DF: -5.61 (-13.2, 1.94)	0.54 0.15
EuroQoL-5 Dimensions <sup>a</sup>	n=26	n=68	n=63		
Mean at baseline (SD)	0.65 (0.22)	0.60 (0.21)	0.63 (0.21)	-	-
Mean at one year (SD)	n=26 0.84 (0.15)	n=66 0.73 (0.19)	n=62 0.77 (0.21)	-	-
One-year mean change from baseline (SD)	0.19 (0.22)	0.12 (0.19)	0.14 (0.21)	DL vs VF: 0.07 (-0.01, 0.14) DL vs DF: 0.11 (0.03, 0.19)	0.08 0.01
Mean at two years (SD)	n=21 0.87 (0.13)	n=55 0.75 (0.19)	n=54 0.77 (0.20)	-	-
Two-year mean change from baseline (SD)	0.20 (0.17)	0.14 (0.22)	0.12 (0.25)	DL vs VF: 0.12 (0.03, 0.20) DL vs DF: 0.12 (0.04, 0.21)	0.01 0.01
Modified Japanese Orthopedic Association <sup>a</sup>	n=26	n=62	n=63		
Mean at baseline (SD)	12.7 (2.6)	11.9 (2.1)	12.3 (2.7)	-	-
Mean at one year (SD)	15.1 (2.0)	13.8 (2.7)	14.5 (2.6)	-	-
One-year mean change from baseline (SD)	2.4 (2.7)	1.9 (3.0)	2.2 (2.9)	DL vs VF: 0.4 (-0.7, 1.5) DL vs DF: 1.0 (-0.1, 2.1)	0.43 0.07
Post-Op SVA <sup>a</sup>	n=20	n=55	n=52		
Mean (SD)	24.3 (13.4)	27.9 (12.8)	23.1 (12.3)	DL vs VF: 0.9 (-5.6, 7.5) DL vs DF: -3.8 (-10.3, 2.7)	0.78 0.25

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Some patients did not have data following baseline and are therefore not included in models.

At year 1, dorsal laminoplasty was associated with significant greater mean change in EQ-5D compared to dorsal fusion (estimated mean change, 0.21 vs. 0.10; estimated mean difference, 0.11 [95% CI, 0.03, 0.19]; P=0.007), but not ventral fusion patients (estimated mean change, 0.21 vs. 0.14; estimated mean difference, 0.07 [95% CI, -0.01, 0.15]; P=0.08. At year 2, dorsal laminoplasty was associated with significantly greater mean change in EQ-5D compared to both dorsal fusion patients (estimated mean change, 0.24 vs. 0.12; estimated mean difference, 0.12 [95% CI, 0.04, 0.21]; P=0.005) and ventral fusion patients (estimated mean change, 0.24 vs. 0.12; estimated mean difference, 0.12, [95% CI 0.03, 0.20]; P=0.006). No other significant differences in three other pre-specified outcomes were observed between groups at 2-years post-operatively.

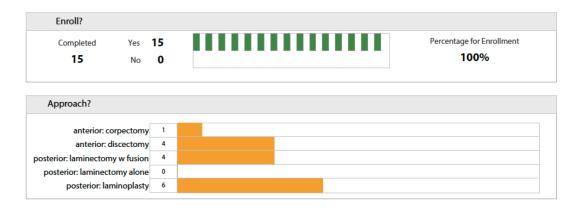
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>Estimated difference and p-values from linear mixed effects models adjusted for baseline values and clustering by surgeon.

eTable 9. Cumulative Health Resource Utilization Over 1-Year Varied by Actual Treatment Groups

	Dorsal Laminoplasty	Dorsal Fusion	Ventral Fusion	Difference (95% Confidence Interval)	p-value
All Data N (%)	n=28	n=69	n=66		
Diagnostic Testing (any)	17 (60.7)	60 (87.0)	52 (78.8)	DL vs VF: 18.1 (-2.5, 38.7) DL vs DF: 26.2 (6.5, 46.0)	0.02
MRI	11 (39.3)	32 (46.4)	28 (42.4)	DL vs VF: 3.1 (-18.5, 24.8) DL vs DF: 7.1 (-14.5, 28.7)	0.79
СТ	4 (14.3)	11 (15.9)	12 (18.2)	DL vs VF: 3.9 (-12.1, 19.9) DL vs DF: 1.7 (-13.9, 17.2)	0.88
X-ray	13 (46.4)	51 (73.9)	50 (75.8)	DL vs VF: 29.3 (8.2, 50.5) DL vs DF: 27.5 (6.3, 48.7)	0.01
Physical Therapy (any utilization)	13 (46.4)	39 (56.5)	34 (51.5)	DL vs VF: 5.1 (-17.0, 27.1) DL vs DF: 10.1 (-11.8, 32.0)	0.64
Ongoing <sup>a</sup> Physical Therapy	0 (0.0)	15 (21.7)	11 (16.7)	DL vs VF: 16.7 (7.7, 25.7) DL vs DF: 21.7 (12.0, 31.4)	0.03
Opioid Use (any)	11 (39.3)	45 (65.2)	30 (45.5)	DL vs VF: 6.2 (-15.5, 27.9) DL vs DF: 25.9 (4.6, 47.2)	0.02
Ongoing <sup>a</sup> Opioids	0 (0.0)	11 (15.9)	6 (9.1)	DL vs VF: 9.1 (2.2, 16.0) DL vs DF: 15.9 (7.3, 24.6)	0.06
Physician Appointments (any)	6 (21.4)	26 (37.7)	16 (24.2)	DL vs VF: 2.8 (-15.6, 21.2) DL vs DF: 16.3 (-2.7, 35.3)	0.14

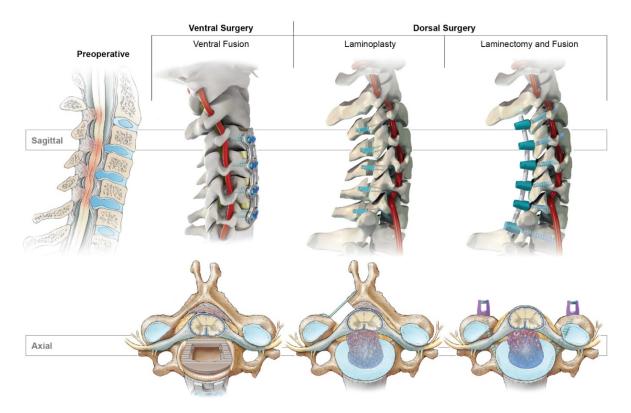
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Ongoing indicates active use of health resources 1 year after surgery.

# eFigure 1. Spinal Experts Review Polling Results



eFigure 1. A summary of expert panel review is shown for 1 patient in this trial. In this case, 15 experts voted in favor or randomization with 5 votes for a ventral surgery, 4 votes for dorsal laminectomy and fusion, and 6 votes for laminoplasty. Clinical equipoise was met and the patient consented to randomization.

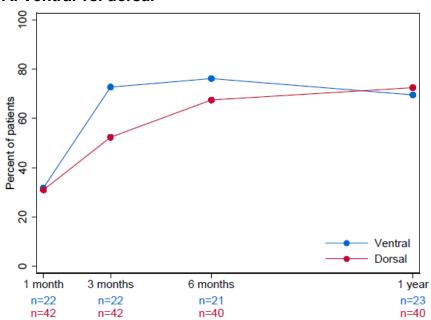
eFigure 2. Surgical Strategies for Cervical Spondylotic Myelopathy



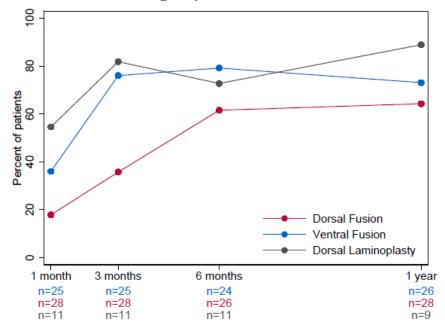
eFigure 2. A sagittal cross-section image is shown in the upper left, with evidence for spinal cord compression at multiple levels from cervical spondylosis, followed by schematics for each of the surgical approaches, ventral fusion, dorsal laminoplasty, and dorsal laminectomy and fusion. Below each surgical approach, an axial image is shown that demonstrates how the spinal cord is decompressed. In the ventral fusion example, the disc is removed and replaced with a bone graft or cage device. For laminoplasty, the disc remains, but the lamina is opened on one side and held open with a plate. For dorsal laminectomy and fusion, the lamina is removed to decompress the spinal cord and then screws and rods are placed to hold the spine in proper alignment so that the bones will fuse together.

# eFigure 3. Return to Work

### A. Ventral vs. dorsal

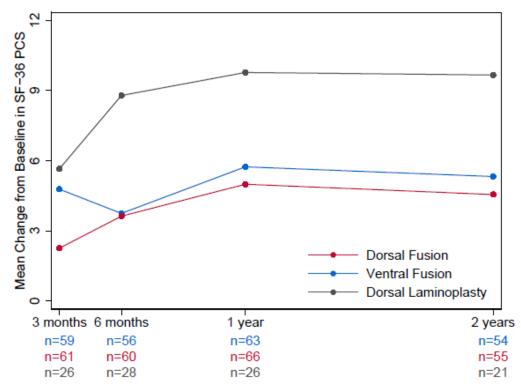


### **B.** Actual treatment groups



eFigure 3. Proportions of patients in each group who had returned to work are shown at 1, 3, 6, and 12 months after surgery. (B) At 1-year, the proportion of patients who returned to work did not significantly differ depending upon surgical strategy (dorsal laminoplasty, 88.9% [95% CI, 51.7%, 99.7%]; dorsal fusion, 64.3% [95% CI, 44.1%, 81.4%]; ventral fusion, 73.1% [95% CI, 52.2%, 88.4%]; (P=0.35).





eFigure 4. Trajectory of change in SF-36 PCS by actual treatment groups.

### eAppendix. Outcome Assessment Documents

Note: The EuroQol 5 Dimensions document is not included herein because of copyright constraints.

### 36-Item Short Form (SF-36) Health Survey (Version 2)

The physical component summary (PCS) score, derived from the 36-Item Short Form (SF-36) Health Survey (Version 2) was the primary outcome. The range of the SF-36 PCS is between 0 and 100, where higher scores represent better physical functioning.<sup>3</sup>

# Your Health and Well-Being

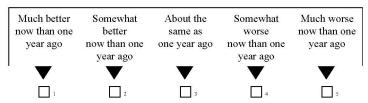
This survey asks for your views about your health. This information will help keep track of how you feel and how well you are able to do your usual activities. Thank you for completing this survey!

For each of the following questions, please mark an  $\square$  in the one box that best describes your answer.

1. In general, would you say your health is:



2. <u>Compared to one year ago</u>, how would you rate your health in general <u>now</u>?



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3.	The following questions are about activities you might do during a typ	ical
	day. Does your health now limit you in these activities? If so, how mu	ch?

		Yes, limited a lot	Yes, limited a little	No, not limited at all
а	Vigorous activities, such as running, lifting heavy objects, participating in strenuous sports	<b>▼</b>		3
b	Moderate activities, such as moving a table, pushing a vacuum cleaner, bowling, or playing golf	1	2	3
С	Lifting or carrying groceries	1	2	3
d	Climbing several flights of stairs	1	2	3
е	Climbing one flight of stairs	1	2	3
f	Bending, kneeling, or stooping	i	2	3
g	Walking more than a mile	1	2	3
h	Walking several hundred yards	i	2	3
i	Walking one hundred yards	i	2	3
j	Bathing or dressing yourself	<u> </u>	2	3

4.	During the <u>past 4 weeks</u> , how much of the time have you had any of the following problems with your work or other regular daily activities <u>as a result of your physical health</u> ?						
		All of the time	Most of the time	Some of the time	A little of the time	None of the time	
a	Cut down on the amount of time you spent on work or other activities	1	2	3	4	5	
ь	Accomplished less than you would like	1	2	3	4	5	
c	Were limited in the <u>kind</u> of work or other activities	1	2	3	4	5	
d	Had <u>difficulty</u> performing the work or other activities (for example, it took extra effort)	j	2	3	4	<u> </u>	
5.	During the <u>past 4 weeks</u> , following problems with yesult of any emotional p	your work	or other re	gular daily	activities <u>a</u>	is a	
		All of the time	Most of the time	Some of the time	A little of the time	None of the time	
a	Cut down on the amount of time you spent on work or other activities	1	2	3	4	5	
ь	Accomplished less than you would like	i	2	3	4	5	
c	Did work or other activities less carefully than usual	1	2	3	4	5	

6.	emotional pro	ast 4 weeks, to volume interferences, neighbors, or	ed with your r		
	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Quite a bit	Extremely
	1		3	4	<b>▼</b> □ 5
7.	How much bo	odily pain have	you had durii	ng the <u>past 4 w</u>	veeks?
	None	Very mild	Mild Mode	rate Severe	Very severe
	1	2	3	4 5	6
8.	work (includi	ng both work o	utside the hor	ne and housev	
	Not at all	A little bit	Moderately	Quite a bit	Extremely
	<b>▼</b>	<b>▼</b>		4	5

9.	These questions are about how you feel and how things have been with you
	during the past 4 weeks. For each question, please give the one answer that
	comes closest to the way you have been feeling. How much of the time
	during the past 4 weeks

		All of the time	Most of the time	Some of the time	A little of the time	None of the time
ā	Did you feel full of life?	1	2	3	4	5
ь	Have you been very nervous?	1	2	3	4	5
c	Have you felt so down in the dumps that nothing could cheer you up?	1	2	3	4	5
d	Have you felt calm and peaceful?	1	2	3	4	5
e	Did you have a lot of energy?	1	2	3	4	5
f	Have you felt downhearted and depressed?	1	2	3	4	5
g	Did you feel worn out?	1	2	3	4	5
h	Have you been happy?	1	2	3	4	5
i	Did you feel tired?	1	2	3	4	5
10. During the past 4 weeks, how much of the time has your physical health or emotional problems interfered with your social activities (like visiting with friends, relatives, etc.)?  All of Most of Some of A little of None of the time the time the time the time the time the time.						
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	<b>▼</b>		<b>▼</b>	<b>▼</b>	<b>▼</b>	

## 11. How TRUE or FALSE is each of the following statements for you?

	Definitely Mostly Don't Mostly Definitely true true know false false
а	seem to get sick a little sasier than other people
b	am as healthy as inybody I know 1 2
c	expect my health to get worse
d	My health is excellent

Thank you for completing these questions!

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### **Neck Disability Index (NDI)**

The Neck Disability Index (NDI) measures how neck pain affects the patients' ability to manage in everyday life. Each section is scored on a scale of 0 to 5, where 0 = "no pain" and 5 = "worst imaginable pain." The summed total range is between 0 and 100, with a lower score representing less disability.<sup>4</sup>

Please Read: This questionnaire is designed to enable us to understand how much your neck pain has affected your ability to manage everyday activities. Please answer each Section by circling the ONE CHOICE that most applies to you. We realize that you may feel that more than one statement may relate to you, but Please just circle the one choice which closely describes your problem right now.

SECTION 1Pain Intensity	SECTION 6 Concentration
A. I have no pain at the moment	A. I can concentrate fully when I want to with no difficulty.
B. The pain is mild at the moment.	B. I can concentrate fully when I want to with slight difficulty.
C. The pain comes and goes and is moderate.	C. I have a fair degree of difficulty in concentrating when I
D. The pain is moderate and does not vary much.	want to.
E. The pain is severe but comes and goes.	D. I have a lot of difficulty in concentrating when I want to.
F. The pain is severe and does not vary much.	E. I have a great deal of difficulty in concentrating when I want
	to.
SECTION 2Personal Care (Washing, Dressing etc.)	F. I cannot concentrate at all.
A. I can look after myself without causing extra pain.	
B. I can look after myself normally but it causes extra pain.	SECTION 7Work
C. It is painful to look after myself and I am slow and careful.	A. I can do as much work as I want to.
D. I need some help, but manage most of my personal care.	B. I can only do my usual work, but no more.
E. I need help every day in most aspects of self-care.	C. I can do most of my usual work, but no more.
F. I do not get dressed, I wash with difficulty and stay in bed.	D. I cannot do my usual work.
SECTION 3Lifting	E. I can hardly do any work at all.
A. I can lift heavy weights without extra pain.	F. I cannot do any work at all.
B. I can lift heavy weights, but it causes extra pain.	SECTION 8Driving
C. Pain prevents me from lifting heavy weights off the floor but	A. I can drive my car without neck pain.
I can if they are conveniently positioned, for example on a	B. I can drive my car as long as I want with slight pain in my
table.	neck.
D. Pain prevents me from lifting heavy weights, but I can	C. I can drive my car as long as I want with moderate pain in
manage light to medium weights if they are conveniently	my neck.
positioned.	D. I cannot drive my car as long as I want because of moderate
E. I can lift very light weights.	pain in my neck.
F. I cannot lift or carry anything at all.	E. I can hardly drive my car at all because of severe pain in my
SECTION 4 Reading	neck.
A. I can read as much as I want to with no pain in my neck.	F. I cannot drive my car at all.
B. I can read as much as I want with slight pain in my neck.	SECTION 9Sleeping
C. I can read as much as I want with moderate pain in my neck.	A. I have no trouble sleeping
D. I cannot read as much as I want because of moderate pain in	B. My sleep is slightly disturbed (less than 1 hour sleepless).
my neck.	C. My sleep is mildly disturbed (1-2 hours sleepless).
E. I cannot read as much as I want because of severe pain in my	D. My sleep is moderately disturbed (2-3 hours sleepless).
neck.	E. My sleep is greatly disturbed (3-5 hours sleepless).
F. I cannot read at all.	F. My sleep is completely disturbed (5-7 hours sleepless).
CECTION 6 II	
SECTION 5Headache	SECTION 10Recreation
A. I have no headaches at all.	A. I am able engage in all recreational activities with no pain in
B. I have slight headaches which come infrequently.	my neck at all.
C. I have moderate headaches which come in-frequently.	B. I am able engage in all recreational activities with some pain
D. I have moderate headaches which come frequently.	in my neck.
E. I have severe headaches which come frequently.	C. I am able engage in most, but not all recreational activities
F. I have headaches almost all the time.	because of pain in my neck.
	D. I am able engage in a few of my usual recreational activities
	because of pain in my neck.
	E. I can hardly do any recreational activities because of pain in
	my neck.
	F. I cannot do any recreational activities all all.
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DISABILITY INDEX SCORE:

### Modified Japanese Orthopedic Association (mJOA) Scale

The modified Japanese Orthopedic Association (mJOA) score is used to evaluate the functional status of patients with degenerative cervical myelopathy. Each section is summed to obtain a score (range = 0-17), with a higher score representing less dysfunction from myelopathy.<sup>5</sup> A typical patient with moderate cervical myelopathy has a mJOA score between 12 and 14. Many other surgical studies show that patients with cervical myelopathy have mJOA scores in this range.<sup>2</sup>

#### mJOA Scale

mJOA:	(0-17)
Motor, arms	
0	Unable to feed oneself
1	Unable to use a knife and fork, able to eat with spoo
2	Able to use knife and fork with much difficulty
3	Able to use knife and fork with slight difficulty
4	No deficit
Motor, legs	
0	Unable to walk
1	Can walk on flat floor with a walking aid
2	Can walk up or down stairs with a handrail
3	Lack of stability and smooth gait
4	No deficit
Sensation, ar	ms
0	Severe sensory loss or pain
1	Mild sensory loss
2	No deficit
Sensation, leg	gs
0	Severe sensory loss or pain
1	Mild sensory loss
2	No deficit
Sensation, tru	ınk
. 0	Severe sensory loss or pain
1	Mild sensory loss
2	No deficit
Bladder func	tion
0	Unable to void
1	Marked difficulty with micturation (retention)
2	Difficulty in micturation (frequency, hesitation)
3	No deficit

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