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Dear Mrs. Ilesku,

After consulting with my orthopedic spine surgeon, Prof. Harms, we came to the conclusion that based on the images provided we cannot make a final surgical concept. We would need to perform an extensive evaluation of your situation and based on the results we would then be in the position to come up with a treatment strategy for you.

Obviously there is a large intramedullary tumor in the level of Th5 to L2, which has not grown in the period between 2007 and 2013 according to the reports.

Furthermore there is a large Syrinx above the level of the tumor which reaches up to the level C2. Therefore the syrinx may grow over time even if the tumor does not and it may result in a further deterioration of your situation.

Surgery of the tumor would not reverse your paraparesis, which is existing for 20 years now.

However it may prevent the a.m. enlargement of the Syrinx in case there is any.

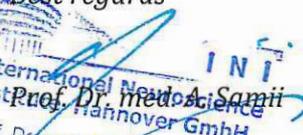
Another aspect is your severe scoliosis which needs to be addressed separately. The back pain is most probably a result of this scoliosis. I usually perform such surgery together with my neuro-orthopedic colleague, to whom I have sent your images regarding the scoliosis.

All together your situation is without any doubt quite complex and definitely requires a personal visit at our institute for further diagnostics and personal extensive discussion about indication, chances and risks of a surgery.

The chances of a new growing are significantly reduced, if we can identify and treat an evident reason. The cost estimation might be not under 50.000€.

Please feel free to contact us, if you have any further questions.

Best regards


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