

Spinal Cord Compression

- May be due to intradural CNS tumors or extradural tumors causing compression of the spinal cord

Signs and Symptoms:

Pain in thighs and back, proximal weakness, sensory changes, bowel and bladder signs

Diagnosis:

MR scan

Management:

Immobilize, analgesia, sedation, dexamethasone (1-1.5mg/kg/24hr divided q6h) surgery, radiotherapy, chemotherapy if necessary