A seven-year-old Mexican-American boy presented long tract signs and evidence of a lesion at T-10. Roentgenologic studies disclosed no primary bony abnormalities. Surgical exploration uncovered a 1.0 cm. in diameter granular-appearing mass attached to the anterior dural sac. The lesion was intradural, extramedullary and compressed the spinal cord at T10. There was no attachment to the adjacent vertebra and the lesion was removed along with the dura to which it was attached. The patient is alive and has been well for over three years following operation.

MATERIAL SUBMITTED: One (1) section stained with hematoxylin and eosin.

POINTS FOR DISCUSSION: Diagnosis.