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MEDICAL QUIZ: IMAGES

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A 60-year-old woman presented with low back pain of 2 months duration, which increased in severity over the last 15 days. The pain was radiating to the left lower limb and was associated with tingling and numbness. The patient had a history of low-grade fever,

weight loss, and malaise over the last 2 months. There was a history of cough with expectoration. On examination, there was mild pallor and no other significant findings. There was localized tenderness over the lumbosacral spine.

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An MRI of the lumbosacral spine was done.

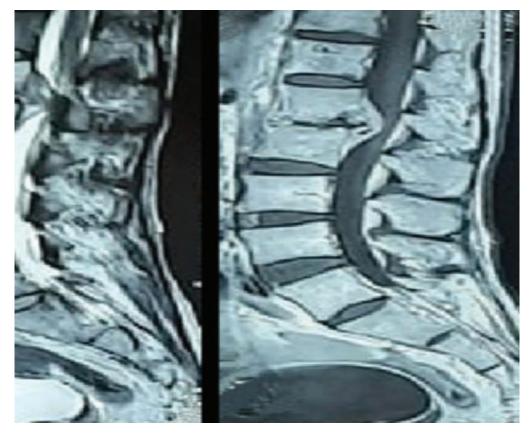


Figure-1: MRI of lumbosacral spine T1-weighted and T2-weighted and T1+C sagittal images of the patient

Please answer the question as above scenarios

- a) What are the findings of MRI of lumbosacral spine?
- b) What is the most likely diagnosis?
- c) How can you confirm the diagnosis?
- d) What is the gold standard treatment?

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