Supplementary Table 1: Details of Complications reported in the studies included in the meta-analysis

First author	Cases	Cerebrospinal fluid leak	Infection	Dural tear	Nerve damage	Arterial injury	Waist/lower limb weakness/numbness	Low back/lower extremity pain	Screw misalignment	Endplate fracture/subsidence	Haematoma	Pain in the extraction area	Cage shift	Sensory disturbance
Huang	2/6	1/2	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Li	2/6	0/3	0/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0
Qin	2/4	0/3	0/0	0/0	2/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Takaoka	22/13	0/0	0/1	0/2	0/0	1/0	10/6	0/0	0/3	11/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0
Wang	6/4	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/2	1/0	3/0	0/1	0/0	1/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0
Zhang	1/3	0/0	0/1	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0
Sheng	3/5	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/2
Qiu	4/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	3/0	0/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Kotani	12/7	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	3/2	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0
Ye	3/2	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Koike								Not reported						
Lei								Not reported						
Han	7/5	0/2	0/2	0/0	4/0	0/0	3/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0