

Re: Bilateral cervical spondylolysis in a young Chinese woman presenting with neck injury

To the Editor—I'm glad that Tam et al¹ report another rare case of bilateral cervical spondylolysis of the sixth cervical vertebrae with spondylolisthesis. The authors state that the anomaly has never been reported in a Chinese patient but I would like to clarify that Chung et al² have reported three cases of cervical spondylolysis, all of them Chinese, in the *Hong Kong Journal of Orthopaedic Surgery* in 1997. Two of the patients were a mother and daughter. The presence of other associated congenital anomalies in our series support the congenital hypothesis with

respect to the aetiology of this condition. Thank you for your kind attention.

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