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Authors' conclusions

Lumbosacral dorsal rhizotomy and physical therapy effectively reduces lower-limb spasticity in children with spastic cerebral palsy and significantly improves their gross motor function and functional independence. Major peri-operative complications were infrequently reported. Families reported perceived improvements with dorsal rhizotomy, and surgery and post-operative rehabilitation were intensive and demanding.

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