



**10th Annual SSF Spine Masters Course:
Insights for Seasoned Spine Surgeons
Saturday, June 18, 2022**

AGENDA

7:25 a.m. **Welcome and Introductions**
Rod J. Oskouian, Jr., M.D., Jens R. Chapman, M.D.

7:30 a.m. **Keynote Presentation (virtual)**
Scoliosis at Any Age is a Horizontal Plane Deformity
Prof. Jean Dubousset
Objectives:

- Outline spinal balance and scoliosis
- Summarize the principles of deformity
- Describe the cone of economy

7:55 a.m. **Q & A**

8 a.m. **Live BioSkills Lab Demonstration # 1**
Pelvic Fixation Techniques
David Polly, M.D.
Objectives:

- Identify indications for various types of lumbopelvic fixation
- Outline the anatomic and radiographic landmarks for safe instrumentation techniques
- Describe modified applications such as quad rods and multi screw iliac fixation

8:30 a.m. **Spinal Endoscopy: Going Mainstream? (virtual)**
Prof. Dr. Christoph Siepe
Objectives:

- Describe the process for patient selection
- Evaluate when to use an endoscope vs. microscope
- Identify advantages of endoscope over microscope surgery

8:45 a.m. **Q & A**

8:50 a.m. **Anterior vs. Posterior for Deformity Surgery (virtual)**
Vincent Arlet, M.D.
Objectives:

- Outline the principles of anterior correction being tailored to patient needs
- Describe how to choose between lateral surgery and anterior surgery
- Discuss the choice between anterior surgery or posterior surgery: ACR or PSO?

9:05 a.m. **Q & A**

- 9:10 a.m. **Live BioSkills Lab Demonstration # 2**
Robotic Pedicle Screw Placement
Noojan Kazemi, M.D.
Objectives:
- Discuss the advantages of robotic screw placement (timing accuracy, cost)
 - Outline tips for troubleshooting and error prevention
 - Describe what to do if the robot fails

- 9:40 a.m. **The Latest Update on Proximal Junctional Kyphosis (PJK) (virtual)**
Christopher I. Shaffrey, M.D.
Objectives:
- Describe how to prevent PJK
 - Outline the causes of PJK
 - Summarize the role bone density has on PJK

9:55 a.m. **Q & A**

- 10 a.m. **Spinopelvic Fixation**
David Polly, M.D.
Objectives:
- Differentiate iliac vs. S2Al techniques
 - Identify structures at risk
 - Describe technique for stacked implants

10:15 a.m. **Q & A**

10:20 a.m. **Break & Exhibits (not for CME credit)**

- 10:30 a.m. **Does MIS Have a Role in Adult Deformity Surgery? (virtual)**
Roger Härtl, M.D.
Objectives:
- Summarize how to avoid complications in MIS surgery
 - Describe fusion rates
 - Outline when to use pelvic fixation

10:45 a.m. **Q & A**

- 10:50 a.m. **Live BioSkills Lab Demonstration # 3**
Posterior Thoracolumbar Techniques for Deformity Correction
Jens R. Chapman, M.D.
Objectives:
- Outline osteotomy techniques
 - Describe how and when to use expandables

- 11:10 a.m. **The Most Difficult Cases of My Career (virtual)**
Lawrence G. Lenke, M.D.
Objectives:
- Summarize important lessons learned from difficult cases
 - Describe when to use neuromonitoring
 - Explain how much correction is too much correction

11:25 a.m. **Q & A**

11:30 a.m. **Circumferential Minimally Invasive Treatment for Severe Adult Spinal Deformity Without a Posterior Column Osteotomies Can Reduce PJK & Hardware Failure**
Neel Anand, M.D.
Objectives:

- Explain how to apply minimally invasive techniques in severe adult spinal deformity
- Describe a specific protocol and the pros and cons
- Provide framework for understanding how deformity can be treated without osteotomies

11:45 a.m. **Q & A**

11:50 a.m. **Ultra-MIS Surgery (virtual)**
Michael Wang, M.D.
Objectives:

- Summarize the limitations of MIS spine surgery
- Outline the indications for MIS spine surgery
- Describe the techniques for MIS spine surgery

12:05 p.m. **Q & A**

12:10 p.m. **Break, Pick up Lunch & Exhibits (not for CME credit)**

12:20 p.m. **Live BioSkills Lab Demonstration # 4 (working lunch)**
Posterior Thoracic & Lumbar MIS Screw Placement with Power
Luiz Pimenta, M.D. Ph.D.
Objectives:

- Outline the ways to avoid screw misplacement
- Describe the limitations of MIS surgery
- Recognize when to use MIS and navigation

12:50 p.m. **Complication Avoidance in Adult Deformity Surgery**
Robert Hart, MD.
Objectives:

- Evaluate whether rod material and diameter make a difference in surgery
- Describe which patients are at risk for adjacent level fractures
- Outline when to use bone morphogenic protein

1:05 p.m. **Q & A**

1:10 p.m. **Live BioSkills Lab Demonstration # 5 (working lunch)**
Thoracic Kyphosis Correction
Neel Anand, M.D.
Objectives:

- Describe the location and pathology with anatomy of rigid deformities
- Provide various treatment options for those patients requiring surgical intervention for kyphosis

1:40 p.m. **Why Go Prone vs. Lateral**
Luiz Pimenta, M.D., Ph.D.
Objectives:

- Describe the technique and nuances of lateral access surgery in the prone position
- Describe indications, contraindications and applications of lateral prone position surgery for degenerative and deformity conditions
- Describe intra-operative techniques that optimize TDR implant performance

1:55 p.m. **Q & A**

2 p.m. **Live BioSkills Lab Demonstration # 6**
Endoscopic Lumbar Interbody Fusion

Rod J. Oskouian, Jr., M.D.

Objectives:

- Illustrate when to use the endoscope
- Describe what type of endoscope to use
- Outline how to get reimbursement for endoscopic surgery

2:30 p.m. **Break, Exhibits and Transition into BioSkills Lab** (*not for CME credit*)

2:40 p.m. **BioSkills Hands-On Cadaver Lab** (*25-minute rotations*)

All Faculty

1. Posterior thoracolumbar correction techniques
2. Robotic pedicle screw placement
3. Pelvic fixation techniques
4. Thoracic kyphosis correction
5. Posterior thoracic & lumbar mis screw placement
6. Endoscopic lumbar interbody fusion

Objectives:

- Perform spinal reconstruction procedures
- Identify anatomic considerations for each procedure
- Demonstrate surgical techniques for each procedure

5 p.m. **Adjourn**

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