

## Applications in Degenerative Conditions

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Consulting – Aesculap Spine I know what the O-Arm looks like I'm not really sure of the O-Arm's purpose



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## Rational decision making in a wide scenario of different minimally invasive lumbar interbody fusion approaches and devices

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In general, the goal of minimally invasive spine (MIS) surgery is to stabilize the vertebral bones and spinal joints and/or relieve pressure being applied to the ...



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# **Uninstrumented Spinal Fusion**

### 1997 Volvo Award Winner in Clinical Studies

Degenerative Lumbar Spondylolisthesis With Spinal Stenosis: A Prospective, Randomized Study Comparing Decompressive Laminectomy and Arthrodesis With and Without Spinal Instrumentation

Jeffrey S. Fischgrund, MD,\* Michael Mackay, MD,\* Harry N. Herkowitz, MD,\* Richard Brower, MD, David M. Montgomery, MD,\* and Lawrence T. Kurz, MD\*

### Degenerative Lumbar Spondylolisthesis With Spinal Stenosis

A Prospective Long-Term Study Comparing Fusion and Pseudarthrosis

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# Instrumented Non-fusion

Five-year Results of a Randomized Controlled Trial for Lumbar Artificial Discs in Single-level Degenerative Disc Disease

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## Assumptions Of MIS Spine Surgery The MIS TLIF

- Less Blood Losss
- Lower Infection Rate
- Shorter Hopsital Stay
- Quicker Return To Work
- Less Morbidity and Mortality
- Lower Cost



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### Minimally Invasive versus Open Spine Surgery: What Does the Best Evidence Tell Us?

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**CONCLUSION:** The highest levels of evidence do not support MIS over open surgery for cervical or lumbar disc herniation. However, MIS TLIF demonstrates advantages along with higher revision/readmission rates. Regardless of patient indication, <u>MIS exposes the surgeon to significantly</u> more radiation; it is unclear how this impacts patients. These results should optimize informed decision-making regarding MIS versus open spine surgery, particularly in the current advertising climate greatly favoring MIS.

- Reduced 2-year societal cost
- Fewer medical costs
- Reduced time to return to work
- Improved short-term ODI scores



## Relationship between surgeon volume and outcomes in spine surgery: a dose-response meta-analysis

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- Lower Morbidity and Mortlity
- Shorter Length of Stay
- Less Readmissions
- Lower Costs



The Known Problems

- 1. The Learning Curve
- 2. Radiation Exposure





### IF YOU CAN'T LEARN TO DO IT WELL, AT LEART LEARN TO ENJOY DOING IT BADLY.



## Learning Curve

- Steep Learning Curve
- 10-44 cases for MIS TLIF

Solution: Increased training during residency/fellowship with MIS Surgery





## **Radiation Exposure**

Excessive amount of flouroscopy could be detrimental to the surgeron

Solution: Navigation







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We now even have augmented reality in the OR.













Training Programs + Navigation = Not knowing anatomy or how to perform a procedure without the latest technology



### Solution: Robots





## MIS is here to stay....





TOO BAD YOU CAN'T FLY.



## Pep talk for Non-MIS surgeons

- 1. Robots and Navigation are cool.
- 2. Nothing hurts results more than follow up.
- 3. If patients leave the hospital after breakfast instead of after lunch it means less rounding!
- 4. Radiation might be good for population control
- 5. More Surgery = More Money = Better Car + Nicer House (so who cares about revisions)



## Thank You



