



# Intensive Training Course & Symposium

for Full-endoscopic Surgery of the Lumbar Spine

Intensive Training Course July 26<sup>th</sup> + 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Vernon Hills, IL, USA

#### Dear Colleagues,

The therapy of degenerative diseases of the spine carries with it medical and socioeconomic problems. After conservative measures are exhausted and where there are exacerbated pain conditions or neurological deficites, a surgical procedure may become necessary. Despite good therapy results, consecutive damage may ensue due to traumatisation. It is therefore of particular importance to optimize these procedures on a continuous basis. The goal we should strive for is the minimisation of surgically induced traumatisation and negative longterm consequences, taking into account the existing quality standard.



Minimally invasive techniques can reduce tissue damage and its consequences. Endoscopic surgeries demonstrate advantages which have raised these procedures to the standard in various medical areas. On the lumbar spine, as a result of the

development of the interlaminar and lateral transforaminal access, the spinal canal with its adjoining structures can be reached full endoscopically. Technical problems have been solved by special rod-lens endoscopes with a large intraendoscopic working channel and appropriate instruments. Working under a continuous stream of liquid offers options which have proved their worth in arthroscopic surgery through long experience. In the area of the cervical spine anterior or posterior access is possible.

Today, the combination of the new surgical access routes with the technical developments makes possible a fullendoscopic methodology coupled with excellent visibility which, taking into account the indication criteria, carries with it the advantages of a truly minimally invasive procedure and is sufficient, low in complications and economic. Principal indications are disc herniations, spinal canal stenosis and intradiscal procedures such as the introduction of implants.



Full-endoscopic surgeries are an addition and an alternative within the overall concept of spinal surgery. Nevertheless, because of clear indications and boundaries, open and maximally invasive procedures are necessary. These must be mastered by the spinal surgeon in order, while taking into account the respective pathology, to be able to offer the appropriate procedure as well as cope with problems and complications of full-endoscopic surgeries.

In order to be able to visualize the exact position in the space at any time during the surgery, detailed knowledge of the anatomy is a prerequisite. In addition, for the threedimensional understanding of the anatomical and pathological structures, the imaginary linking

of different imaging procedures and their sectional planes is necessary. This applies in particular to endoscopic techniques in which the direct visual reference between surgical access and working on the spot is lacking.



During the training course we intend, in a reciprocal exchange with yourselves, to try to demonstrate the current and future options as well as problems, risks and complications of full-endoscopic surgeries in the area of the spine. In an environment of practical demonstration where you perform access routines on cadavers yourself, typical practical experience for your

expected learning curve or future clinical application can be gathered. Under intensive tuition by instructors, each participant will perform the various access routines on a practical level and run through special working procedures. For this reason the number of participants is limited. Nevertheless, the training course cannot replace the acquisition of the necessary extensive knowledge.



Having regard to the considerable demand for national and international training courses we hope we have pinpointed your field of interest in the enclosed program and would be happy to welcome you as a participant at our symposium and at the dinner.

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## Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup>

## Saturday, July 27th

08:30 h Registration 09:00 h Welcome and Introduction M. Komp, S. Ruetten, G. Yörükoğlu

### Lumbar spine:

- 09:15 h The transforaminal full-endoscopic approach in disc herniations Technique and indications of posterolateral to lateral access M. Komp, S. Ruetten
- 09:45 h Discussion
- 10:00 h Video demonstration Full-endoscopic surgery with lateral transforaminal access in a disc herniation M. Komp, S. Ruetten Discussion afterwards
- 10:45 h Break
- 11:00 h The interlaminar full-endoscopic approach in disc herniations State of the art, possibilities and limitations S. Ruetten, M. Komp
- 11:30 h Discussion
- 11:45 h Video demonstration **Full-endoscopic surgery with interlaminar access in a disc herniation**  *M. Komp, S. Ruetten Discussion afterwards*
- 12:30 h Lunch
- 13:15 h Plant tour
- 13:45 h Full-endoscopic decompression in lateral and central stenosis Application of the interlaminar and transforaminal approach *M. Komp, S. Ruetten*
- 14:15 h Discussion
- 14:30 h Case presentation and discussion M. Komp, S. Ruetten, G. Yörükoğlu
- 15:15 h Closing

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- 08:30 h Registration and Welcome Address
- 09:00 h Lecture: Full-endoscopic spine surgery with the transforaminal approach – Indication and surgical technique

#### Hands-on cadaver session 1:

- 09:30 h Demonstration transforaminal approach
- 10:00 h Hands-on training
- 12:30 h Lunch
- 13:30 h Lecture: Full-endoscopic spine surgery with the interlaminar approach – Indication and surgical technique

### Hands-on cadaver session 2:

- 14:00 h Demonstration interlaminar approach
- 14:30 h Hands-on training
- 16:00 h Final discussion
- 16:30 h Closing / Transfer to hotel



## **Speakers / Instructors**

## **General notes**

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### Language:

All lectures, presentations and discussions will be conducted in English.

### **Conference Location:**

Richard Wolf Medical Instruments Corporation 353 Corporate Woods Parkway Vernon Hills, IL 60061-3110

### Night Event:

Dinner on Friday, 26th July 2019, 7:00 pm

### Organization Office:

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### Hotels:

For hotel information and booking please contact the organization office.

## Registration

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Intensive Training\$1950*	Title:
<ul> <li>Yes, I will participate in the dinner** on Friday</li> <li>I am vegetarian</li> </ul>	Hospital:
I am allergic to:	Street:
<ul> <li>plus VAT</li> <li>** The dinner is free of additional fees.</li> </ul>	Postcode / Town:
	Country:
	Tel.:
	Fax:
	E-Mail:

Because of the limited number of course openings, not all applicants will be registered. Only those whose registration is accepted will receive a confirmation from the organization office together with detailed payment information. You should not book any non-refundable travel until you have received a confirmation from the organization office stating that you are registered for the course.

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