

22 DUBAI INTERNATIONAL SPINE CONFERENCE

17,18,19 MAY 2023 GRAND HYATT, DUBAI, UAE



TOPICS

- SPINE DEFORMITY IN ELDERLY: WHEN TO OPERATE? WHAT EXTEND OF SURGERY IS REASONABLE
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Message from the President

Dear Colleagues, Friends and Guests

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, it is with great honor and pleasure to welcome you all to the 22nd Dubai International Spine Conference (DISC) in collaboration with NASS (North American Spine Society), Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI) and ArabSpine.

The educational committee prepared a very rich program covering Spine Deformity in Elderly, Artificial Intellegence in Spine: Update, Not so simple complications in "simple" spine surgery, Regeneration Medicine - stem cells and Spine disease, Peripheral Nerve Surgery in Spine Surgery provided by top international and regional faculty.

We are proud and honored to have the NASS and the RCSI associated to the spine education in the Arabic world through the active participation in ASCD (ArabSpine Course Diploma) and to DISC (Dubai International Spine Conferences) ambition to deliver the advanced and highest standard of teaching for the benefit of patients, healthcare providers, hospitals and communities which is in line with the strategic vision of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, UAE Vice President, Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai to therefore enhance the medical education and practice in UAE and the whole region.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Dubai Health Authority (DHA), the Ministry of Health (MOH) of United Arab Emirates, North American Spine Society (NASS) and Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI) for their valuable support to Dubai International Spine Conferences and to ASCD, thank you to our esteemed faculty for sharing their knowledge out of their busy schedules, to the attendees who are here, the sponsors and companies who have been our strategic partners since the inception of Dubai International Spine Conference.

Enjoy the opportunity of visiting Dubai, the most sought after destination which represents a mix of living and business environments, a tourist haven offering the widest attractions from luxury urban spots to historic architectural places connected by state-of-the-art infrastructures and transportations.

We welcome you all to Dubai and wishing you the very best and pleasant stay.

Prof. Abdul Karim Msaddi

Chairman of Dubai International Spine Conference

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

DAY ONE - MAY 17, 2023 (WEDNESDAY)

Morning Sessions

7.30 - 8.45 am	REGISTRATION AND WELCOME RECEPTION	
8.45- 8.55 am	Welcome Speech - Abdul Karim Msaddi, Chairman of the Conference	
SESSION 1	KEYNOTE LECTURES	
Chairpersons: Mo	ohamed Wafa - Egypt / Saleh Baeesa - KSA	
9.00 - 9.15 am	Antithrombotic Therapies in Spine Surgery	S. Theiss / USA
9.15 - 9:30 am	Assessment of the Incidence and Nature of Adverse Events and their Association with Human error in Neurosurgery. A Prospective Observation	B. Meyer / Germany
9.30 - 9.45 am	Full Endoscopic Spine Surgery: Adoption and Learning Curve	R. Assaker / France
9.45 - 10.00 am	Spinal Cord Injury and Stem Cells: Do We Have a Viable Treatment?	D. Wong / USA
10.00 - 10.15 am	DISCUSSION	
10.15 - 10.30 am	OPENING SPEECH:	
10.30 - 11.00 am	COFFEE BREAK	

SESSION 2 ADULT SPINE DEFORMITY - I

Chairpersons: Antony Michael-UAE / Tanmoy Maiti-UAE

11.00 - 11.15 am	Preop Optimization of Patients Requiring Adult Deformity Surgery	S. Theiss / USA
11.15 - 11.30 am	Adult spinal Deformity. How Aggressive Should We be in treating the Aged Spine	B. Meyer / Germany
11.30 - 11.45am	What extend of surgery in spine deformity in elderly	C. Lamartina / Italy
11.45 - 12.00pm	Adult scoliosis Surgery: Do We Always Need Long Segment Fusion? Optimizing Patient Specific Management	T. Maiti / UAE
12.00 - 12.15pm	Adult Deformity and Parkinson: Challenging Pathology	R. Assaker / France
12.15 - 12. 30pm	Post Operative Junctional Problems	M. Wafa / Egypt
12.30 - 12.45pm	IOM in Scoliosis Surgery	L. Abukwedar / UAE
12.45 - 1.00pm	DISCUSSION	
1.00 - 2.00pm	LUNCH BREAK	

SESSION 3A PAIN MANAGEMENT

Chairpersons: Mohamed Al Olama - UAE / Nader Hebela - UAE		
2.00 - 2:15pm	SIJ The Hidden and Forgotten Joint	T. Hamdan/ Iraq
2.15 - 2.30pm	Diagnostic Utility of Selective Nerve Root Block	D. S. Cheng / USA
2.30 - 2.45pm	Technical Pitfalls and Complication Avoidance in Radiofrequency Thermocoagulation of Medial Branches	D. S. Cheng / USA
2.45 - 3.00pm	SCS or In the Management of Neuropathic Pain	M. Al Olama / UAE
3.00 - 3.15pm	Cervical Epidural Steroid Injections: Technical Pitfalls and Complications	D. S. Cheng / USA
3.15 - 3.30pm	Multimodal Perioperative Pain Management in Spine & Scoliosis Surgery	N. Hebela / UAE
3.30 - 3.40pm	Midline Posterior Single-Entry Approach for Bilateral Cervical Medial Branch Radiofrequency Ablation. A Description of a New Access Technique	S. Kassis / UAE
3.40 - 3.50pm	DISCUSSION	
3.50 - 4.10pm	COFFEE BREAK	

SESSION 3B COMPLICATIONS-I

Chairpersons: Catalin Majer-UAE / Wael Kasem-Iraq

2.00 - 2:15pm	"Not so Simple" Complications in "Simple" Spine Surgery	M. Szpalski / Belgium
2.15 - 2.30pm	"Not so simple" complications in "simple" L5 isthmic low-grade spondylolisthesis	C. Lamartina / Italy
2.30 - 2.45pm	Decision Making in Complex Cervical Spine Revision Surgery	A Abou Modawi / Egypt
2.45 - 2.55pm	Systematic Review of Vascular Injury During Thoracic And Lumbar Spine Surger	T. Hamdan / Iraq
2.55 - 3.05pm	Managing Complications in Scoliosis Surgery	A Michael / UAE
3.05 - 3.15pm	Neurological Deficit After ACDF	C. Majer / UAE
3.15 - 3.25pm	Spine Infections - Unusual Cases	M. Wafa / Egypt
3.25 - 3.35pm	Thoracic Herniated Spinal Cord: Exceptional Cause of Myelopathy	B. Abdennebi / Algeria
3.35 - 3.45pm	DISCUSSION	
3.45 - 4.10pm	COFFEE BREAK	

SESSION 4A REGENERATIVE MEDICINE

4.10 - 4.25pm	Intra- discal stem cell injections	B. Schneider / USA
4.25 - 4.40pm	Stem Cells in Intervertebral Disc Regeneration	M. Szpalski / Belgium
4.40 - 4.55pm	PRP injections for facet and SIJ pain	B. Schneider / USA
4.55 - 5.10pm	Stem cell applications in degenerative spine conditions	G. Ghiselli / USA
5.10 - 5.25pm	Intra- discal PRP injections	B. Schneider / USA
5.25 - 5.40pm	Intranasal Therapy for Acute Spine Cord Injury	T. Chen / USA
5.40 - 5.55pm	DISCUSSION	

SESSION 4B COMPLICATIONS - II

Chairpersons: Yasser El Banna- Egypt / Thamer Hamdan- Iraq

4.10 - 4.20pm	It's a Simple Lumbar Microdiscectomy: But how do you Avoid Complications and Make the Surgery Better?	D. Wong / USA
4.20 - 4.30pm	Infection post lumbar surgery, does it Change Outcomes	J. France / USA
4.30 - 4.45pm	Management of unintentional durotomies in minimally invasive spine surgery - what works, what doesn't	B.R. Gantwerker / USA
4.45 - 5.00pm	Wrong site surgery in the thoracic spine	J. France / USA
5.00 - 5.10pm	It was a Simple Lumbar Stenosis Decompression Until the CSF and Nerve Roots Appeared: Strategies for Durotomy Prevention and Repair	D. Wong / USA
5.10 - 5.20pm	Complications in Simple Spine Surgery	A Al Mashani / Oman
5.20 - 5.30pm	Redo- Anterior cervical spine surgery , complications/pitfalls	M. Halawani / KSA
5.30 - 5.40pm	Surgical incision and wound related complications in lumbar spine surgery	A Taghikani / UAE
5.40 - 5.50pm	DISCUSSION	

END OF DAY ONE

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DAY TWO - MAY 18, 2023 (THURSDAY)

Morning Sessions

SESSION 5	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE		
Chairpersons: David Wong- USA / Ahmed Al Khani- KSA			
8.30 - 8.45am	Artificial Intelligence in Spine Care	M. Szpalski / Belgium	
8.45 - 9.00am	Artificial Intelligence in Life, Business and Medicine	I Khoury / UAE	
9.00 - 9.15am	Augmented reality in spine surgery, overview	M. Halawani / KSA	
9.15 - 9.30am	Artificial Intelligence and Robotics in Spine Surgery	D. Hafez / USA	
9.30 - 9.45am	Update in Ai application in diagnostic Imaging	A Zerbi / Italy	
9.45 - 10.00am	The Use of Artificial Intelligence in Spine Surgery	M. Al Fawareh / Jordan	
10.00 - 10.15am	Artificial Intelligence' the next level	C. Bolger / Ireland	
10.15 - 10.30am	Artificial intelligence: the patient gains safety, the surgeon loses happiness of the dexterity of his fingers?	B. Abdennebi / Algeria	
10.15 - 10.25am	DISCUSSION		
10.25 - 10.45am	COFFEE BREAK		

SESSION 6 SPINE ONCOLOGY

Chairpersons: Abbas Ramadan- Kuwait / Aneela Darbar- UAE

10.45 - 11.00am	State- of- the- art Imaging for Diagnosis of Metastasis and Primary Spine Bone Tumors	A. Zerbi / Italy
11.00 - 11.15am	Spine Oncology: What is available now ??	T. Chen / USA
11.15 - 11.30am	Treatment Options for Primary Malignant Bony Tumors	R. Assaker / France
11.30 - 11.45pm	Surgical Treatment of Metastatic Spine	D. Hafez / USA
11.45 - 12.00pm	Radiotherapy and Radiosurgery Bony Spinal Tumors	S. Yanek / UAE
12.00 - 12.15pm	Spine Metastasis: Decision Making Treatment and Prognosis	M. Hamidani / Algeria
12.15 - 12.30pm	Primary Spinal Tumors	S. Hilmani / Morocco
12.30 - 12.45pm	Surgery for Spinal Cord Tumors	A El Azhari / Morocco
12.45 - 1.00pm	DISCUSSION	
1.00 - 2.00pm	LUNCH BREAK	

SESSION 7A GENERAL SESSION - I

Chairpersons: Sirajeddin Belkhair- Qatar / Mohmed El Gohari- Egypt

2.00 - 2.15 pm	Degenerative Disc Disease: Who should have Surgery?	T. Chen / USA
2.15 - 2.30pm	When Things go wrong in Spine Surgery.	C. Bolger / Ireland
2.30 - 2.45pm	Fusions in the elderly: Open vs MIS approach	D. Hafez / USA
2.45 - 3.00pm	Tandem Stenosis – the dilemma of Simultaneous Cervical and Lumbar Stenosis	D. Wong / USA
3.00 - 3.10pm	Why do it? My decision-making tree in deciding on approach to lumbar degenerative disc disease in the aging population	B.R. Gantwerker / USA
3.10 - 3.20pm	LLIF: When and How?	R. Assaker / France
3.20 - 3.30pm	Kyphoplasty or Corpectomy: When Do you Need to Do More than just put Cement in.	B.R. Gantwerker / USA
3.30 - 3.40pm	Decompression alone versus Decompression and Fusion for elderly patients with two level or more lumbar canal stenosis	S. Belkhair / Qatar
3.40 - 3.50pm	Thoracic Tuberculosis	S. Hilmani / Morocco
3.50 - 4.00pm	DISCUSSION	
4.00 - 4.20pm	COFFEE BREAK	

SESSION 7B ADULT SPINE DEFORMITY - II

Chairpersons: Wael Al Shaya-KSA / Said Hilmani-Morocco

2.00 - 2.15pm	Severe sagittal and Coronal Malalignment	C. Lamartina / Italy
2.15 - 2.30pm	Alar- iliac instrumentation Reduces Caudal Screw Loosening	B. Meyer / Germany
2.30 - 2.45pm	Cervical Deformity Consideration for Degenerative Spinal Conditions	G. Ghiselli / USA
2.45 - 3.00pm	Drop head syndrome: strategy and surgical treatment	R. Assaker / France
3.00 - 3.15pm	Atlantoaxial Osteoarthritis and deformity in elderly: outcome and complication	W. Alshaya / KSA
3.15 - 3.30pm	Surgical Options for Spine Deformity in the Elderly	C. K. Yaltirik / UAE
3.30 - 3.45pm	Post- Fusion Lumbar Flatback Deformity with Sagittal Imbalance does always need Surgery? and Surgical Outcomes	W. Kasem / Iraq
3.45 - 3.55pm	DISCUSSION	
3.55 - 4.20pm	COFFEE BREAK	

SESSION 8A ENDOSCOPY

Chairpersons: Khaled Al Kuwari-Bahrain / Chanshik Shim-UAE

4.20 - 4.30pm	Endoscopic Spine Surgery	K Al Kuwari / Bahrain
4.30 - 4.40pm	A Modified Endoscopic Access for Lumbar pathologies; "inter- transverse" Endoscopic Approach to Minimize Postoperative Dysesthesia following Transforaminal Approach	F. Musharbash / USA
4.40 - 4.50pm	Full-Endoscopic Soft Tissue Approach for Lumbar Disc Herniation	T.I. Metwally / Egypt
4.50 -5.00pm	Obstacle for the New Technology for Endoscopic Discectomy and How We Can Avoid It	M. Malibary / KSA
5.00 - 5.10pm	Endoscopic Extreme Transforaminal Lumbar Interbody Fusion with Large Spacer: A Technical Note and Preliminary Report.	J.H. Eum / UAE
5.10 - 5.20pm	Outcome of Tubular Endoscopic Surgery for Lumbar Disc Herniation	K. Ullah / Pakistan
5.20 - 5.30pm	DISCUSSION	

SESSION 8B PERIPHERAL NERVE SURGERY

END OF DAY TWO

Chairpersons: Abbas Ramadan-Kuwait / Amer Al Shurbaji-Jordan

4.20 - 4.35 pm	Management of peripheral nerve sharp lacerations	B. Addas / KSA
4.35 - 4.50pm	Iatrogenic Peripheral Nerve Injuries – Common Causes and Treatment: Case Series	K. Al Ali / UAE
4.50 - 5.05pm	Surgical Anatomy of Brachial Plexus	B. Addas / KSA
5.05 - 5.20pm	Selective Peripheral Nerves Neurotomy for Handicapping Spasticity	AK Msaddi / UAE
5.20 - 5.30pm	Intracapsular Micro-enucleation of a Painful Superficial Nerve Schwannoma. A Rare Encounter.	A. Ramadan / Kuwait
5.30 - 5.40pm	Clinical Dilemma: Thoracic Outlet, Cervical Radiculopathy or Entrapment Neuropathy	B. Addas / KSA
5.40 - 5.50pm	DISCUSSION	

END OF DAY TWO

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DAY THREE - MAY 19, 2023 (FRIDAY)

Morning Sessions

SESSION 9	GENERAL SESSION - III				
Chairpersons: Ba	Chairpersons: Bassam Addas- KSA / Cumhur Kaan Yaltirik - UAE				
8.30 - 8.45am	How Do I Do It, Over the Top Surgery for Spinal Stenosis (or decompression for foraminal Stenosis)	C. Bolger / Ireland			
8.45 - 9.00am	Limited Surgical Intervention in Adult Spine Deformity Surgery	S. Theiss / USA			
9.00 - 9.15am	Minimally invasive treatments for lumbar stenosis in the elderly	D. Hafez / USA			
9.15 - 9.30am	Minimally Invasive Tubular Microdiscectomy for Recurrent Lumbar Disc Herniation. Step by Step Technical Description and Retrospective Review	K. Al Ali / UAE			
9.30 - 9.40am	Microsurgery of Lumbar Disc Hernia: Some Thoughts After 35 Years of a Technique	A El Azhari/ Morocco			
9.40 - 9.50am	Degenerative Spondylolisthesis Accompanying LSS: Do we need Fusion?	S. Samy / Egypt			
9.50 - 10.00am	Brucella Spondylodiscitis	A Al Khani / KSA			
10.00 - 10.10am	Vascular Interventional Radiology in Spine and Spinal Cord	R.B. Pons / UAE			
10.10 - 10.20am	Bariatric Surgery in Obese Patient with CLBP	Amr Arafa / UAE			
10.20 - 10.30am	DISCUSSION				
10.30 - 10.50am	COFFEE BREAK				
SESSION 10	EDUCATION / INNOVATION				
Chairpersons: Ahmed Al Khani-KSA / Khaled Al Ali-UAE					
10.50 - 11.05am	Robotic assisted spine surgery: adoption and learning curve	R. Assaker / France			
11.05 - 11.20am	Optimizing outcomes and experience for patients traveling abroad for spine surgery	S. Baeesa / KSA			
11.20 - 11.35am	Degenerative Spondylolisthesis - What Constitutes Instability	D. Wong / USA			
11.35 - 11.50am	ArabSpine Course Diploma	AK Msaddi / UAE			

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LUNCH BREAK & FRIDAY PRAYER

DISCUSSION

A Al Khani / KSA

B. Abdennebi / Algeria

11.50 - 12.05pm

12.05 - 12.20pm

12.20 - 12.30pm

12.30 - 2.10 pm

SESSION 11A GENERAL SESSION - III

Chairpersons: Abdessamad Al Azhari-Morocco / Samer Samy Rezk-Egypt

2.10 - 2.20pm	Electrodiagnostic Testing in Spine Care	D. S. Cheng / USA
2.20 - 2.30pm	Comparative Study Between ALIF and TLIF	Y. El Banna / Egypt
2.30 - 2.40pm	Surgical Management of Lumbar Degenerative Disease in Osteoporotic Patient	A Abdulla / Kuwait
2.40 - 2.50pm	Outcome of Lumbar Interbody Fusion Versus Posterolateral Fusion with pedicle screw fixation	E. H. Abdou El Maaty/ Egypt
2.50 - 3.00pm	Refuse to Fuse in Degenerative Spondylolisthesis: Why and How?	C. Shim / UAE
3.00 - 3.10pm	Coccydynia: Evidence based Approach to Management	A Michael / UAE
3.10 - 3.20pm	Sagittal and Coronal Balance of Spine: Why it is needed?	M. Z. Shakir / Iraq
3.20 - 3.30pm	Arnold Chiari Malformation: Comprehensive Approach	Ahmed Anwar / UAE
3.30 - 3.40pm	DISCUSSION	
3.40 - 4.00 pm	COFFEE BREAK	

SESSION 11B CERVICAL SPINE - IV

Chairpersons: Essam El Gamal-UAE/Nicandro Figueiredo / UAE

2.10 - 2.25pm	Asymptomatic / Minimally symptomatic cervical stenosis. Surgical indications and review of literature	G. Ghiselli / USA
2.25 - 2.40pm	Hybrid Cervical Surgery: What's the Current Medical Evidence	N. Figueiredo / UAE
2.40 - 2.50pm	Cervical ACDF & ADR in Management of Cervical Disc	A. Abdulla / Kuwait
2.50 - 3.00pm	Comparison Between Cage-Implant and Zero Profile Cage Fusion	M. Zayan / UAE
3.00 - 3.10pm	Rashid Hospital Experience with Stand Alone Cage for Anterior Cervical Discectomy and Fusion	A Al Maazmi / UAE
3.10 - 3.20pm	Post Cervical Foraminotomy: Indication and Complications Avoidance	C. Majer / UAE
3.20 - 3.30pm	Atlantic-Axial Instability in Children with Down Syndrome	E. El Gamal / UAE
3.30 - 3.40pm	DISCUSSION	
3.40 - 4.00pm	COFFEE BREAK	

DAY3

Afternoon Sessions

SESSION 12	COMPLICATIONS - III	
Chairpersons:	Ali Al Mashani-Oman / Bennaisa Abdennebi-Algeria	
4.00 - 4.15pm	Imaging Prediction of failed spine	A. Zerbi / Italy
4.15 - 4.30pm	Low-Grade Infection and Implant Failure Following Spinal Instrumentation: A Prospective Comparative Study	B. Meyer / Germany
4.30 - 4.40pm	It was a Simple Lumbar Fusion until the Patient Woke up With Perioperative Blindness: What are the Prevention Strategies	D. Wong / USA
4.40 - 5.00pm	Serious complications after simple spine surgery (how to avoid).	A Al Shurbaji / Jordan
5.00 - 5.10pm	Major Vascular Injury in Lumbar Disc Surgery Series of Three Cases and Review of Literature	M. El Gohary / Egypt
5.10 - 5.20 pm	DISCUSSION	
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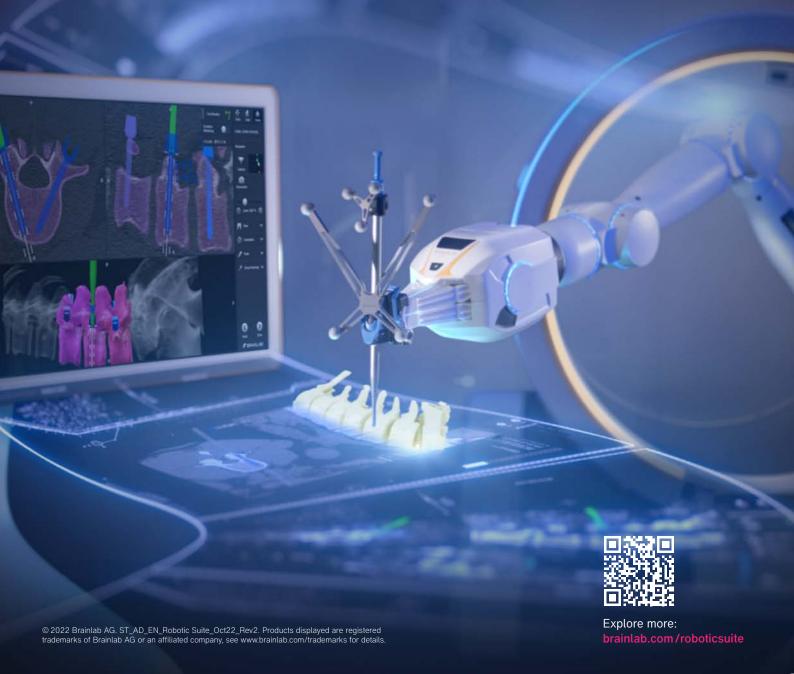




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Upcoming meetings and events

June 2023

1-3 - International Society for the Advancement of Spine Surgery (ISASS) Annual Meeting | San Francisco Marriott Marquis, CA, USA

14-16 - SRS Spine Deformity Solutions: A Hands-On Course | Nijmegen, the Netherlands

September 2023

6-9 - SRS 58th Annual Meeting | Seattle, WA, USA

9-13 - Congress of Neurological Surgeons (CNS) Annual Meeting | Washington, D.C., USA

24-28 - EANS Annual Meeting | Barcelona, Spain

October 2023

4-6 - **EUROSPINE Annual Meeting** | Frankfurt, Germany

18-21 - NASS 38th Annual Meeting | Los Angeles Convention Center, CA

November / December 2023

17-18: BISS Brussels International Spine Symposium

November 3-4 - 11th Annual UCSF Techniques in Complex Spine Surgery Program

November 9-10 - 1st National Guard Complex Spine Surgery Course &

7th ArabSpine Annual Meeting | Riyadh

November 29-December 2 - Cervical Spine Research Society (CSRS) Annual Meeting

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April 2024

10-13 - 31st IMAST | California

TBA - 23rd Dubai International Spine Conference

May 2024

3-6 - 92nd AANS Annual Scientific Meeting | Chicago

15-18 - Global Spine (AO) | Bangkok

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