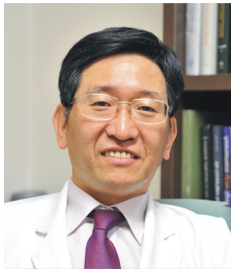


As the Journal of Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery and Technique (JMISST) is about to be Published !

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Spinal surgery has been advancing faster than any other field of surgical treatment, especially in terms of minimally invasive surgery, and the number of spinal surgery related journals is increasing by the day. As a result, the quality of the article for spine must be very high in order for one to be published. Many submissions are rejected unless the articles are truly original comparative papers or have a long follow-up period, and many editors are reluctant about accepting case reports.

Minimally invasive spinal procedure is an important portion that the field of spine surgery must take, but the effectiveness and safety of the many new surgical procedures are still in question and must be reviewed in scrutiny. Therefore, articles about these new minimally invasive spinal procedures are being neglected by the major publications.

Understanding such circumstances, the JMISST wishes to be a journal that publishes papers about minimally invasive spine surgery and introduce new surgical techniques. And while some of the published articles in this journal may lack quality, the true goal of the JMISST is to focus on introducing progressive and newly refined surgical techniques.

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