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**NAVIGATION AND ROBOTICS  
USE IN SPINE SURGERY**

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- ADVANTAGES**
- TISSUE SPARING
  - LESS RADIATION
  - IMPROVED ACCURACY
  - MORE EFFECIENT
  - IMPROVED SAFETY
  - BETTER OUTCOMES

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**NAVIGATION/  
ROBOTICS**

- SPINE SURGERY CHALLENGE



Improve Patient Care    Overcome Clinical Challenges

Enhance Surgeon Capabilities    Increase Occupational Safety

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**NAVIGATION**

- INTRAOPERATIVE CT
- NAVIGATIONAL SOFTWARE
- FIDUCIARY MARKERS (GPS)
- NOT AN ASSISTANCE MECHANICAL DEVICE
- NOT REAL TIME

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**TYPES OF NAVIGATION PLATFORMS**

- O-ARM, STEALTH
- BRAINLAB, ARROW

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### BRAINLAB

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### O-ARM, STEALTH

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### ABANDONED SOFTWARE



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# ROBOTICS

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## QUESTIONS THAT MUST BE ASKED?

- ARE ROBOTS READY FOR THE OPERATING ROOM?
- WILL THEY HELP US WITH SAFETY AND EFFICIENCY ?
- MOST IMPORTANT, WILL PATIENTS BENEFIT FROM THE TECHNOLOGY?

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## ROBOTS FOR SPINE SURGERY

- WHAT IS IMAGINED AND WHAT IS REAL
- NOT A SURPRISE
  - HIGH RESOLUTION IMAGING
  - RAW 3D COMPUTING POWER

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## ROBOTS

- 2 TYPES OF ROBOTS
  - SUPERVISORY- CONTROLLED
    - AUTOMATED ASSISTANCE SYSTEMS
  - MASTER SLAVE SYSTEMS
    - DAVINCI ROBOT

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## BENEFITS OF ROBOTIC APPLICATION?

- IMPROVED SAFETY, ASSIST WITH DELICATE AND COMPLICATED PROCEDURES
- REDUCED RADIATION
- SPEED UP RECOVERY TIME, REDUCING POST-OPERATIVE PAIN, LESS TISSUE DAMAGE, LESS INVASIVE

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## WHEN TECHNOLOGY DISAPPOINTS



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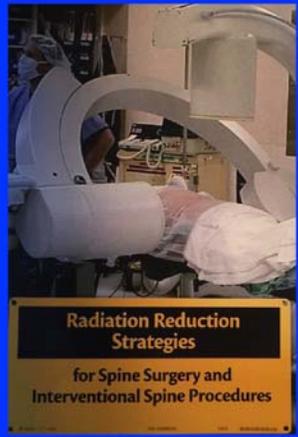
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## RADIATION RISK

- RADIATION



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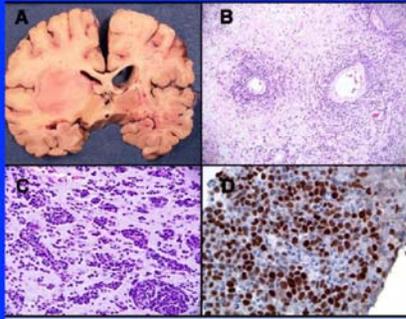
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## RADIATION INDUCED LYMPHOMA



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## THREE TYPES OF ROBOTS USED IN SPINE SURGERY

- MAZOR RENAISSANCE SYSTEM
- ROSA SPINE
- CARDAN

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- MAZOR
  - LOW DOSE CT
  - PREOPERATIVE PLANNING
  - FLUOROSCOPY: AP AND OBLIQUE VIEW
- ROSA AND CARDAN
  - 3-D IMAGING CT INTRAOPERATIVE

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- ### DRAWBACKS
- INCREASED OPERATING TIME
  - ECONOMIC INVESTMENT

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ROSA

ROSA ROBOTICS



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MAZOR X

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## PROCEDURE OF OPERATIONS

- PRE-OPERATIVE PLAN
  - LOW DOSE CT
- REGISTRATION
  - MOUNTING PLATFORM
  - INTRA-OPERATIVE FLUOROSCOPY AP AND OBLIQUE
- EXECUTION OF PRE-OPERATIVE PLAN
  - PLACEMENT OF ROBOT ON PLATFORM

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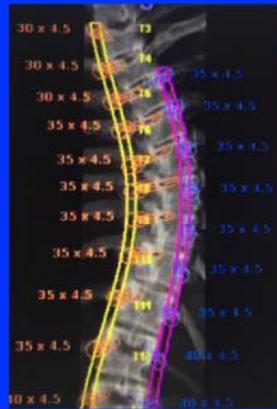
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## PREOPERATIVE PLAN

- LOW DOSE CT



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## ROBOTIC PLATFORM



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## REGISTRATION

- FLUOROSCOPY
  - AP AND OBLIQUE

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## ROBOT



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## ROBOT IS USE



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ROBOT



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CLINICAL APPLICATION

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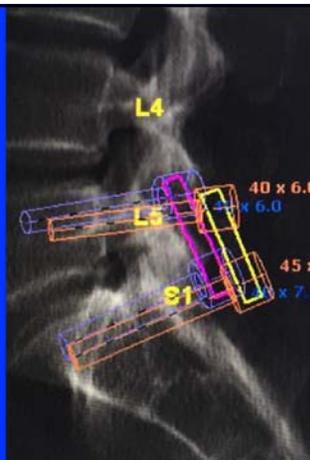
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MIS SURGERY  
CLINICAL APPLICATION



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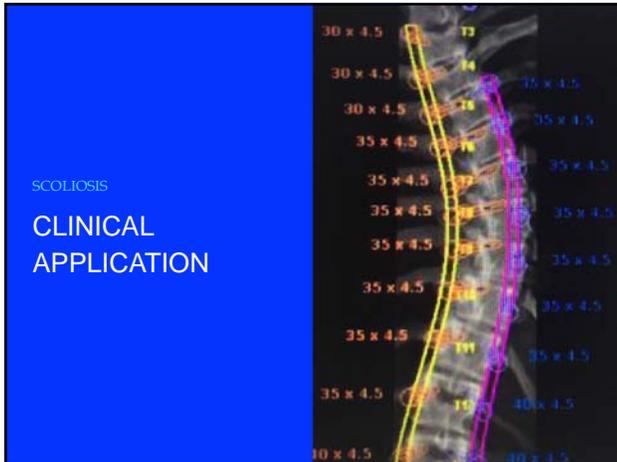
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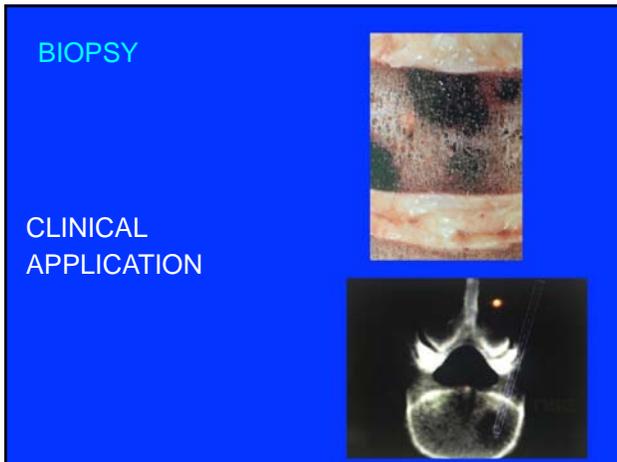
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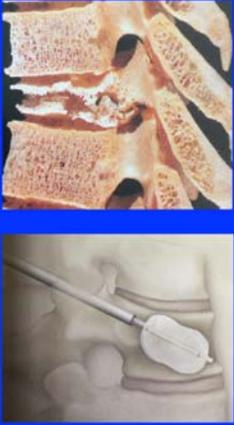
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COMPRESSION FRACTURES  
CLINICAL APPLICATION



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SACROILIAC FUSION  
CLINICAL APPLICATION



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VALIDATION  
CLINICAL RESULTS

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### CLINICALLY VALIDATED TECHNOLOGY




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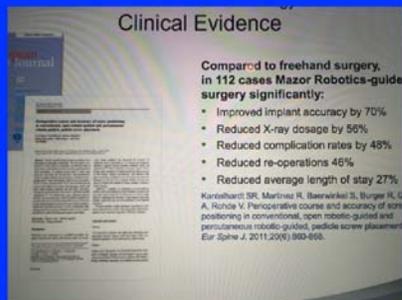
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### CLINICAL EVIDENCE




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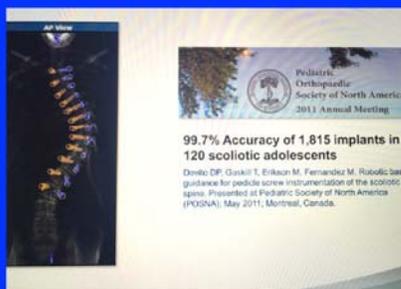
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### EVIDENCE




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## IMPROVED SAFETY

- PEDICLE SCREW PLACEMENT IS ASSOCIATED WITH RISK OF MALPOSITIONING
  - INJURY TO SPINAL CORD, VESSELS, OR SPINAL CORD
- IMAGE GUIDANCE NAVIGATION OVERCOMES MANY OF THESE CHALLENGES
  - COMPLEX CASES
- ROBOTICS GUIDES THE SURGEON'S HANDS
  - FINDING THE PERFECT TRAJECTORY

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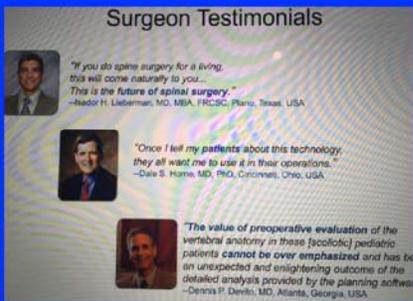
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## TESTIMONIALS




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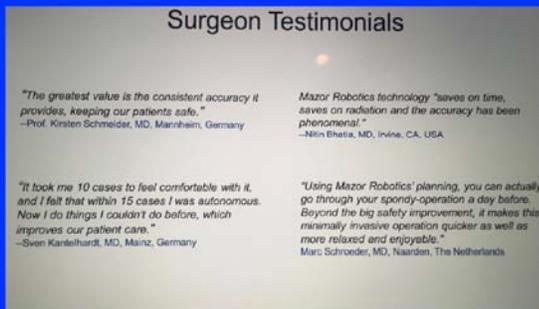
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## TESTIMONIALS




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## CONCLUDING COMMENTS

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## ROBOTICS

- NEW TECHNOLOGY
  - TIME TO GETTING USED TO
  - REQUIRES INFORMATION TO WORK
- TRANSFERRING IMAGING FROM RADIOLOGY SERVER TO ROBOT SYSTEM
  - PLANNING
  - INTRAOPERATIVE REGISTRATION
  - EXECUTION OF PLANNED SURGERY

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## ROBOTIC LIMITATIONS

- MANY PARTS OF SPINE SURGERY REMAIN OUT OF REACH FOR ROBOTIC APPLICATION
  - MICROSURGICAL DECOMPRESSION
  - DISC REMOVAL
  - INTRADURAL WORK

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## CONCLUSION

- INTRODUCTION OF ROBOTICS TO SPINE SURGERY HAS ONLY JUST BEGUN
- ACCURACY OF ROBOTIC ASSISTANCE IS MATCHED WITH EXPERT SPINE SURGEON.
- NO CLINICAL EVIDENCE OF BETTER OUTCOMES
- ACCURACY, PRECISION, EFFICIENCY = IMPROVED SAFETY= BETTER OUTCOMES
- WILL REVOLUTIONIZE SPINE SURGERY

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## PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

- LESS EXPOSURE OF DAILY RADIATION
- SHORTER OR TIMES
- IMPROVED OUTCOMES
- NOT AS MENTALLY AND PHYSICALLY DRAINING

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## THANK YOU

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