# NEWSLETTER 2022



**Minimally Invasive Spine Surgeons Association of Bharath (MISSAB)** 



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear esteemed colleagues,

#### Greetings!

The last two years have been a "knowledge slowdown" due to the pandemic. All of us have been impacted in some form or other due to this. Many in this young society have lost near or dear ones or have suffered as a consequence of this 'lonely disease'.

As the pandemic burns out, probably by the end of February(hoping), we need to re-focus our thought processes towards the programs that we are planning to rollout this year, in April and November. The MISSAB Summer Symposium 2022 on the 10th of April will be a virtual event. And the November event will be, hopefully, an 'in-person' program.

Young surgeons should take these opportunities to showcase their work; after all, the society takes pride in their ability and wish to encourage them further. More importantly, older surgeons will be eager to offer their insights and aid in fine-tuning technical points.

Wishing you all a safe and healthy 2022.

Dr. Rajakumar Deshpande

President, MISSAB





## **VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

#### Greetings to all!!

Everyone has passed through the tough COVID times since last two years with lots of ups and downs in all aspects of life whether social or professional. During these difficult times to let it pass through, it was very important to keep up the morale, momentum and enthusiasm of all of us. There was a void felt of devoid of physical meetings and connections with the fellow colleagues. It is said "when one door closes another one opens". Similarly, this opened newer opportunities to organize online and virtual meetings. As an organization, MISSAB with all the members utilized these times by organizing monthly virtual meetings. These meetings were short but more focused with a great overall learning experience discussing all aspects of a topic from case discussions to literature reviews.

MISSAB though missed the Annual meetings but never missed the crux of this meetings of demonstrating "live surgeries" on virtual platform along with a grand 'MISSAB Surgical Symposium' organized in April 2021 to continue sharing of the knowledge, science and techniques with each other. This was very well appreciated and attended nationally and internationally with renowned international speakers joining the meeting.

Many of our members have taken this opportunity to publish their work in national and international journals. They have also represented their work in international meetings and have been faculties in international meetings also.

MISSAB takes this opportunity to put through these meetings proceedings as well acknowledge the achievements of our members through this Newsletter.

**Best wishes** 

Dr. Amit Jhala Vice President MISSAB





## **SECRETARY'S MESSAGE**

MISSAB in now a nationally and internationally recognized association of talented and skilled minimal access surgeons. We are acknowledged widely in Asia-Pacific as well as in the rest of the world in personal capacities as well. The ubiquitous viral phenomenon attempted to dampen our spirits in terms of surgical work and academics in the last two years.

However, we arm twisted it, thanks to the human ingenuity driven digital advancements and emerged stronger with monthly virtual discussions. A series of gripping monthly tutorials on MISSAB platform, made possible by eminent MISSAB members and guest-speakers threw open novel ideas, newer techniques and cleared many ambiguities. The tutorials also went a long way in bonding the members in the absence of any kind of physical interaction. MISSAB surgical symposium conducted by the Bengaluru minimal access team under the leadership of Dr Umesh Shrikanta and guidance of our president Dr Rajkumar Deshpande was extremely informative, engaging and lively (!though virtual). The last year also saw recognition of multiple fellowship centres across the length and breadth of the country, providing opportunities for seekers. Multiple mini-workshops and a virtual summer symposium have been planned for the current year.

To top it all, we will positively and optimistically shake hands and interact with one another during our annual conference in Pune. Please mark in bold letters the dates 18-20th November on your calendar.

Dr. Arvind Kulkarni Secretary MISSAB





## **ACTIVITIES DURING COVID TIMES**





















And Many More.....



# MISSAB Surgical Symposium – 9-10 April, 2021 (Online event) Post-event report

It was indeed an honor to be given the opportunity to host and conduct MISSAB surgical Symposium, the first fully online conference organized under the aegis of MISSAB. It was held on the 9th and 10th of April, 2021. The post of organizing Chair was fulfilled by Dr. Rajakumar Deshpande and responsibilities of Organizing secretary was taken up by Dr. Umesh Srikantha.





Dr. Rajakumar Deshpande

Dr. Umesh Srikantha

The event had an overwhelming participation of 18 eminent international faculty (from 9 countries across the globe) and more than 60 faculty from across India. It was also our privilege to have SMISS (AP) as one of the partners of the event. The academic program covered all aspects of Minimally invasive and endoscopic spine surgeries.

Some of the highlights of the event were –

- 1. There were 2 concurrent halls running simultaneously throughout both days.
- 2. Four live surgeries were relayed (3 from Aster CMI, Bangalore and one from Dr. Rohidas' center, Kolhapur).
- 3. Four Keynote lectures from leading international faculty
- 4. An exclusive one-hour session by SMISS (AP) on Degenerative scoliosis
- 5. 22 surgical video lectures on various minimally invasive techniques
- 6. 6 live-wire debates on hot topics (30 mins each)
- 7. 8 clinical case scenarios and interactive panel discussions (30 mins each)
- 8. 3 pre-event workshops and 2 Lunch Symposiums with active contributions from industry partners
- 9. Didactic sessions on a variety of interesting/latest topics;
- 10. Quick bits session (short 5 min talks) on tips for safe spine surgery and minimizing complications
- 11. Young Turks session Where young and emerging minimally invasive spine surgeons spoke about their experience, early challenges and what they expect form their senior colleagues
- 12. 20 Free paper presentations and 30 Posters on display. We had 50 online abstract submissions. Each abstract was blinded and evaluated independently by 6 senior faculty members. The top three presentations and top three posters were selected for award presentations.

#### 1. for award presentations.

	Free Paper	e-Poster
First prize	Dr. Sharvil Gajjar	Dr. Sharvin Sheth
Second prize	Dr. Jwalant Patel	Dr. Saikrishna Gadde
Third Prize	Dr. Utkarsh Agrawal	Dr. Nandan Marathe



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All the presentations were pre-recorded by the respective faculty and were sent to the local committee, which then edited the presentations for time and quality. These presentations were played as per their time slot during the conference in the presence of the Faculty. All discussions (post- presentation/ case discussions and post-debate happened in real time on Zoom platform.

There were 286 registrations in total and overall >4000 views (OrthoTV; Youtube; Facebook) for the event. Ten companies participated in the event as Industry sponsors towards the academic program, live surgeries, telecast and logistics (Medtronic, Jayon, Gesco, Wolff, DePuy, Sun pharma, Intas, Alkem, Baxter, Dr. Reddy).











## RECOGNISED MISSAB SPINE FELLOWSHIP CENTRES

- DR. AJAY KRISHNAN
   Stavya Spine Hospital, Ahmedabad
- DR. ARVIND G KULKARNI
   Bombay Hospital & Medical Research Centre, Mumbai
- DR. AYUSH SHARMA
   Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Memorial Hospital, Mumbai
- DR. G. BALAMURALI Kauvery Hospital, Chennai
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- DR. RAKSHITH SRINIVASA
   M. S. Ramaiah Memorial Hospital, Bengaluru
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   Medanta The Medicity Hospital, Gurgaon
- DR. VARUN AGARWAL
   Rohilkhand Medical College & Hospital, Bareilly
- DR. VIKAS GUPTE
   Fortis Hospital, Mumbai



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE YEAR**







Team Pune Welcomes you to the Most Advanced Spine Academic Feast of the Year !!!

**BLOCK YOUR DATES** 

18/19/20 November 2022



## **ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE MEMBERS**

#### Dr. Arvind Bhave

#### **Guest Speaker at**

- 1) Asia MISS conference Japan March 2021. Presented lecture on spinous process splitting approach in spine surgery.
- 2) NASSISMISS conference October 2021 Indonesia.

## Dr. Ajay Krishnan

#### Award:

Stavya Spine Hospital & Research Institute is awarded AO spine center as well as ASSI fellowship center this year.

#### **Publications:**

- 1) Percutaneous Transforaminal Endoscopic Decompression in lumbar discal cyst. Ajay Krishnan, Ramneesh Kohli, Vikram Patidar, Shivanand Mayi, Devanand Degulmadi, Ravi Rai, Bharat Dave. Pain Medicine Case Reports Volume 5, Number 1, pp. 25-32, 2021.
- 2) Expanded Indication of Full Endoscopic Spine Surgery. Ajay Krishnan, Hyeun Sung Kim, Aditya Raj, Bharat R Dave. Journal of Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery and Technique 6(Suppl 1):S130-S156, 2021

#### One International Presentation This Year:

Transforaminal Endoscopic (TFE) Discectomy Decompression in Migrated(M) Disc Prolapse(DP): A Study of 89 Patients presented at the KSSS 2021, "The International Congress of Korean Society of Spine Surgery 2021", which was held from May 28(Fri) ~ 29(Sat), 2021 at Korea.

The Stavya Team of 5 Surgeons with fellows, member of MISSAB, Bharat R Dave, Ajay Krishnan, Devanand D, Ravi Ranjan, Shivanand Mayi have inspite of the Covid overhaul, we have done 1824 surgeries including the Navigated surgeries during the same period in Integrated Operation Theater Spine Suite (IOTSS).

#### **Dr Rakshith Srinivasa**

#### **Publication:**

Surgical Management of Spinal Tuberculosis – A Retrospective Observational Study from a Tertiary Care Center in Karnataka, Rakshith Srinivasa et al; Asian Journal of Neurosurgery | Volume 16 | Issue 4 | October-December 2021



## **ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE MEMBERS**

## Dr. Ayush Sharma

#### Awards:

- Dr Ketan khurjekar, Gold medal 66th Annual conference of India orthopaedic society, Goa, 2021.
- North American Spine Society research award 2021 "Prospective randomized control pilot study to compare

#### **Publications:**

- 1. Does a high BMI affect the outcome of minimally invasive TLIF? A retrospective study of 207 patients. European Spine Journal. 2021 Jul 5:1-9.
- 2. Prospective randomized control pilot study to compare the role of injection Cerebrolysin in operated cases of DE generative Cervical Myelopathy Spine Journal 2022 Jan 15;47(2):E58-E63,
- 3. Primary Myoepithelial Carcinoma of the Cervical Spine: A Case Report. JBJS Case Connector. 2021 Jul 1;11(3):e21.
- 4. Plain roentgenographic and CT scan morphometric analysis of the anterior atlantodens interval (AADI) and poisterior atlantodens interval (PADI) in the Indian population. Surgical Neurology International. 2021;12.
- 5. Preoperative lumbar epidural steroid injection increases the risk of dural tear durin minimally invasive lumbar discectomy International Journal of Spine Surgery, October 2021,
- 6. Incidence of Dural Tears in Open versus Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery: A Single-Center Prospective study Asian Spine Journal, November 2021,
- 7. Cement Augmented MIS Screw Vertebroplasty, Hybrid Procedure -A Technical Note Acta Scientific Orthopaedics (ISSN: 2581-8635) Volume 4 Issue 12 December 2021
- 8. Preoperative T1 MRI changes carry a poor postoperative prognosis in cervical myelopathy: A Retrospective study of 182 patients Surgical Neurology International, December 2021,

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITEE**





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