

Facet Replacement. A **superior** solution for Lumbar Spondy and Stenosis

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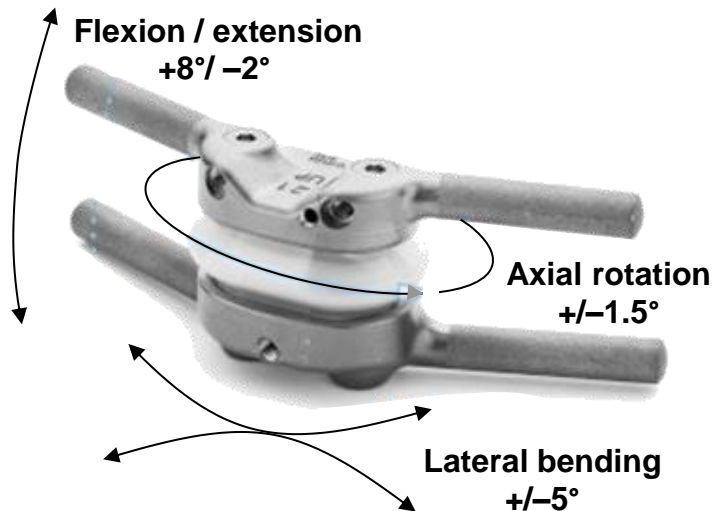
What can TOPS do for you?



New product to show to your current customers



Opens the door to engage to new surgeons

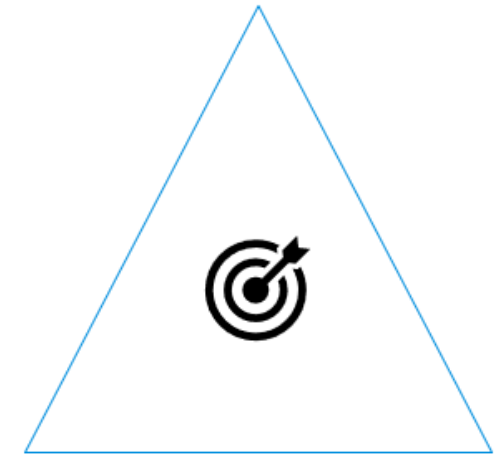


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Premia History



Bought the original TOPS technology in 2011



Redesigned TOPS to make it smaller, simplify the surgical technique



Recommended clinical cases in 2012



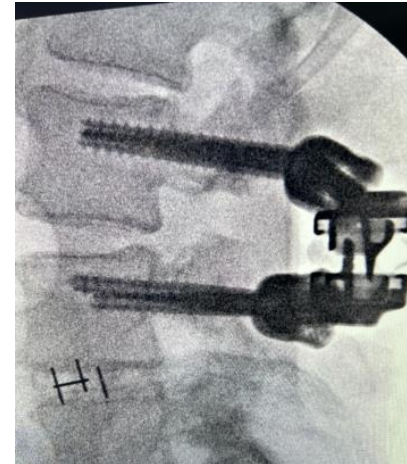
Focused on selling. No clinical trials



Naturally attracted private surgeons



No effort on the academic centers and data collection



The Early Years (2012 – 2015)



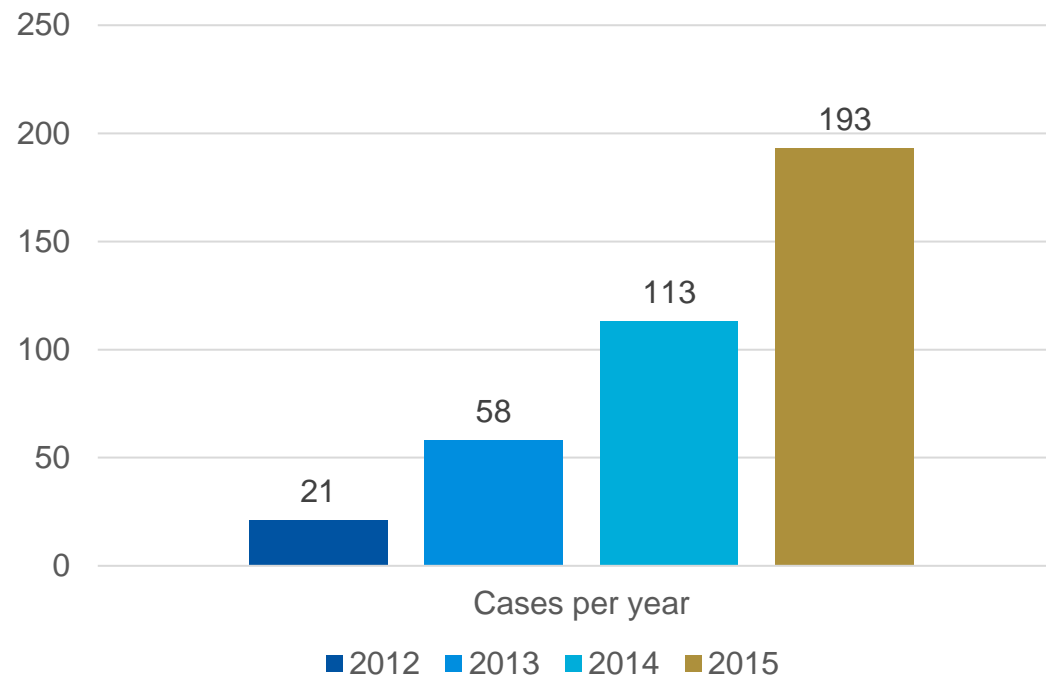
Good initial uptake



Complemented TOPS and Versalink with Nexux and ProMIS Fusion



Aggressive surgeons, who like motion, adopted Premia products

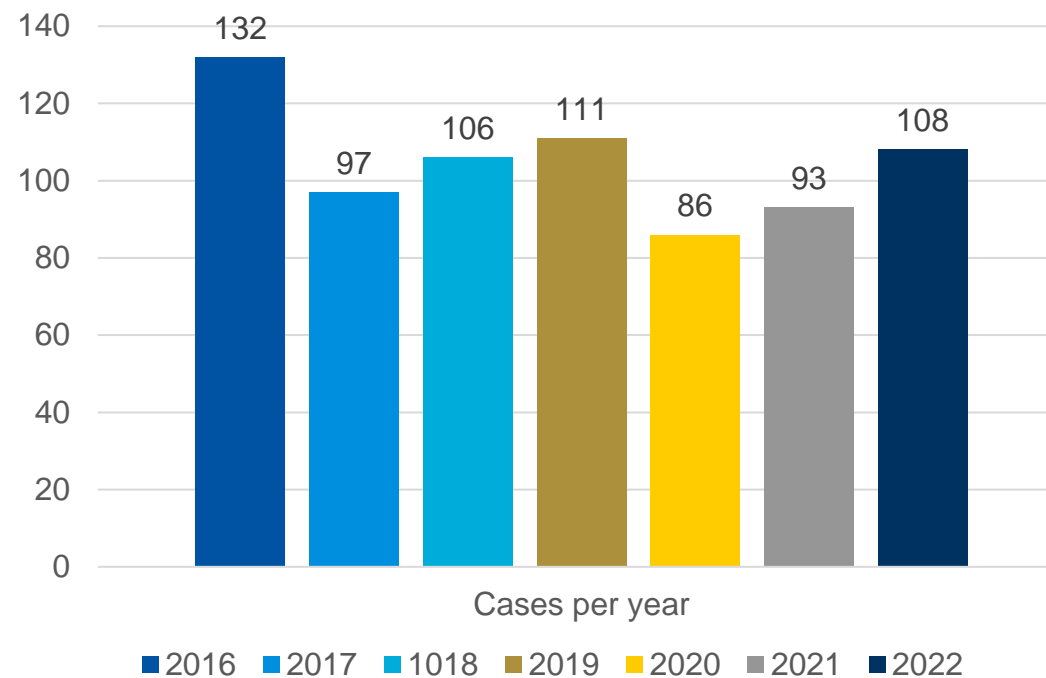


Steady State Years (2016 – 2022)

 Inadequate understanding of the right patient, especially Versalink, led to some overuse

 Ran into pricing pushback at some centers. Lost some key accounts (e.g., Helios)

 Lack of data became more pronounced. Didn't recruit new growth customers



Turnaround Years (2023 – 2025)



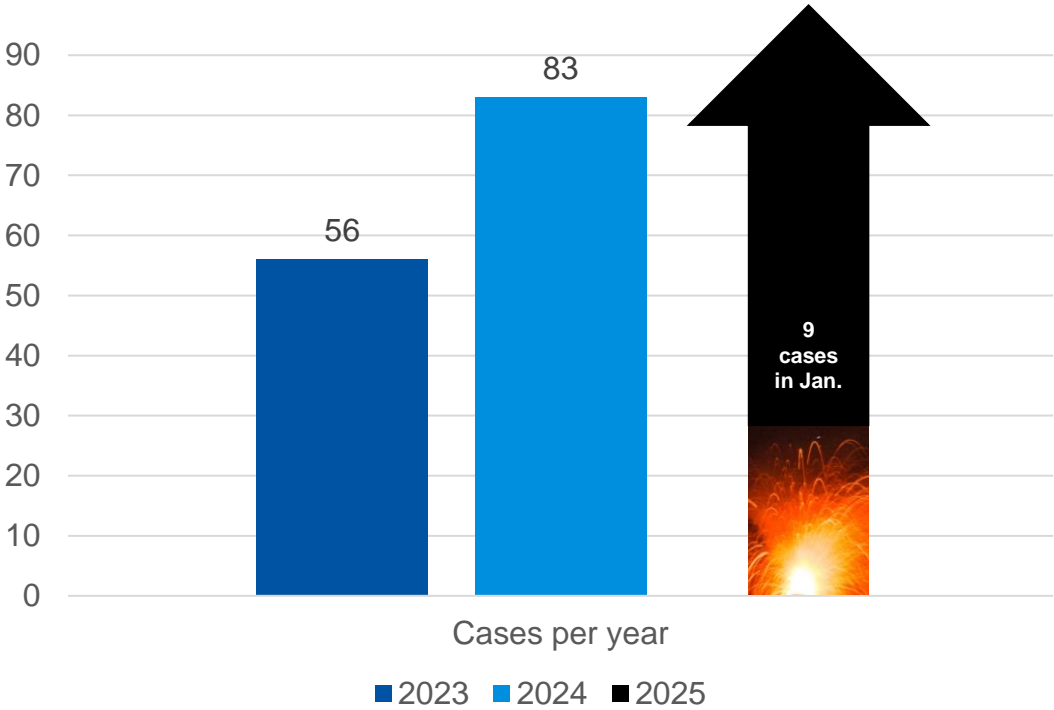
Dropped Nexux product line to focus on TOPS



Led with FDA superiority claim in discussions



Returned to Helios Clinic with clinical data



Lumbar Facet Arthroplasty Versus Fusion for Grade-I Degenerative Spondylolisthesis with Stenosis

A Prospective Randomized Controlled Trial

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Background: The comparative effectiveness of decompression plus lumbar facet arthroplasty versus decompression plus instrumented lumbar spinal fusion in patients with lumbar spinal stenosis and grade-I degenerative spondylolisthesis is unknown.

Methods: In this randomized, controlled, Food and Drug Administration Investigational Device Exemption trial, we assigned patients who had single-level lumbar spinal stenosis and grade-I degenerative spondylolisthesis to undergo decompression plus lumbar facet arthroplasty (arthroplasty group) or decompression plus fusion (fusion group). The primary outcome was a predetermined composite clinical success score. Secondary outcomes included the Oswestry Disability Index (ODI), visual analog scale (VAS) back and leg pain, Zurich Claudication Questionnaire (ZCQ), Short Form (SF)-12, radiographic parameters, surgical variables, and complications.

Results: A total of 321 adult patients were randomized in a 2:1 fashion, with 219 patients assigned to undergo facet arthroplasty and 102 patients assigned to undergo fusion. Of these, 113 patients (51.6%) in the arthroplasty group and 47 (46.1%) in the fusion group who had either reached 24 months of postoperative follow-up or were deemed early clinical failures were included in the primary outcome analysis. The arthroplasty group had a higher proportion of patients who achieved composite clinical success than did the fusion group (73.5% versus 25.5%; $p < 0.001$), equating to a between-group difference of 47.9% (95% confidence interval, 33.0% to 62.8%). The arthroplasty group outperformed the fusion group in most patient-reported outcome measures (including the ODI, VAS back pain, and all ZCQ component scores) at 24 months postoperatively. There were no significant differences between groups in surgical variables or complications, except that the fusion group had a higher rate of developing symptomatic adjacent segment degeneration.

The Future (2025 and beyond)



Focus on distributor partners



Leverage partner relationships to gain access to surgeons



Build distributor partners' effectiveness with training and sales support



Strategy is working very well in the US and France



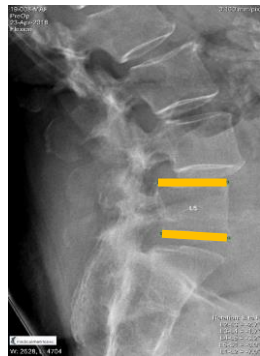
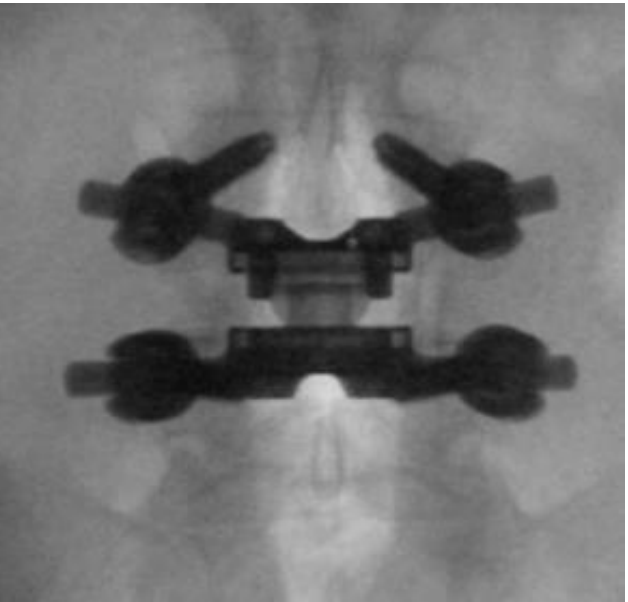
Looking for the right distributors in other countries to implement this approach



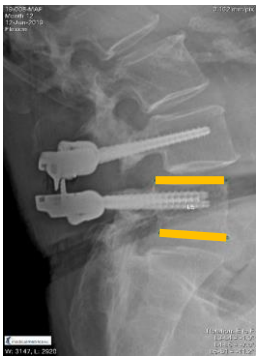
We know we've found the right one in Germany in Orthovative!

TOPS is a game-changing solution for a large patient population.
Let's introduce it to your surgeons effectively and responsibly

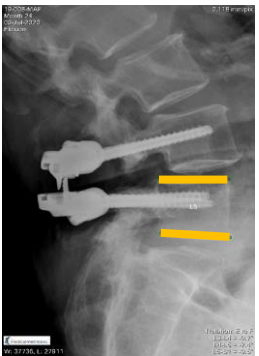
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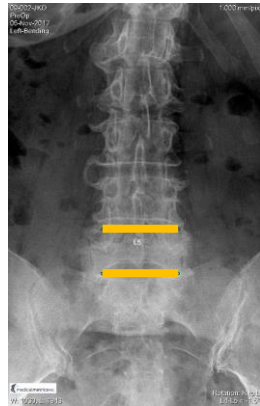
PreOp
FE Angular Motion: 3.2°
FE Translational Motion: 1.7mm



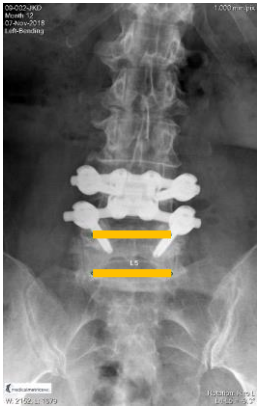
Month 12
FE Angular Motion: 7.6°
FE Translational Motion: 2.6mm



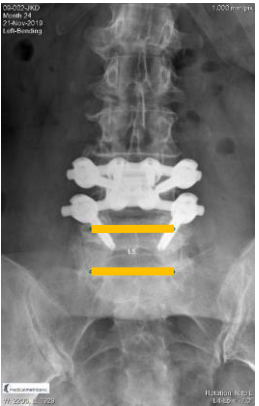
Month 24
FE Angular Motion: 7.4°
FE Translational Motion: 2.1mm



PreOp
Lat. Bend Angular Motion: 1.5°



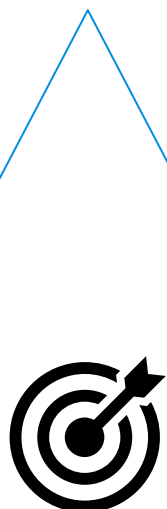
Month 12
Lat. Bend Angular Motion: 9.3°



Month 24
Lat. Bend Angular Motion: 7.0°

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What is your message?

- ✓ **TOPS differentiates your practice**
- ✓ **Provide superior clinical outcomes**
- ✓ **Easy to master as a procedure**



Set up in-person or Zoom/Team meeting with Premia to take a deep dive

What tools do you have?

- ✓ **Premia Spine team: in person or via Team/Zoom**
- ✓ **Surgeon clinical Powerpoint presentation**
- ✓ **Spec sheets**
- ✓ **Published literature**
- ✓ **Premia website with additional information and patient testimonials**

Thanks for your time

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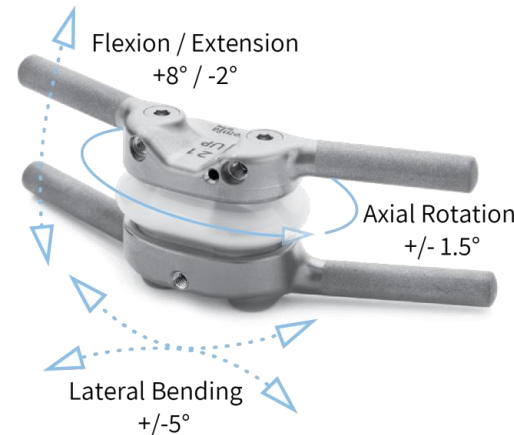
Premia Spine's TOPS Posterior Arthroplasty System

A novel non-fusion, motion preservation solution for the treatment of patients with major lumbar diseases—degenerative spondylolisthesis and spinal stenosis



TOPS System Indications For Use

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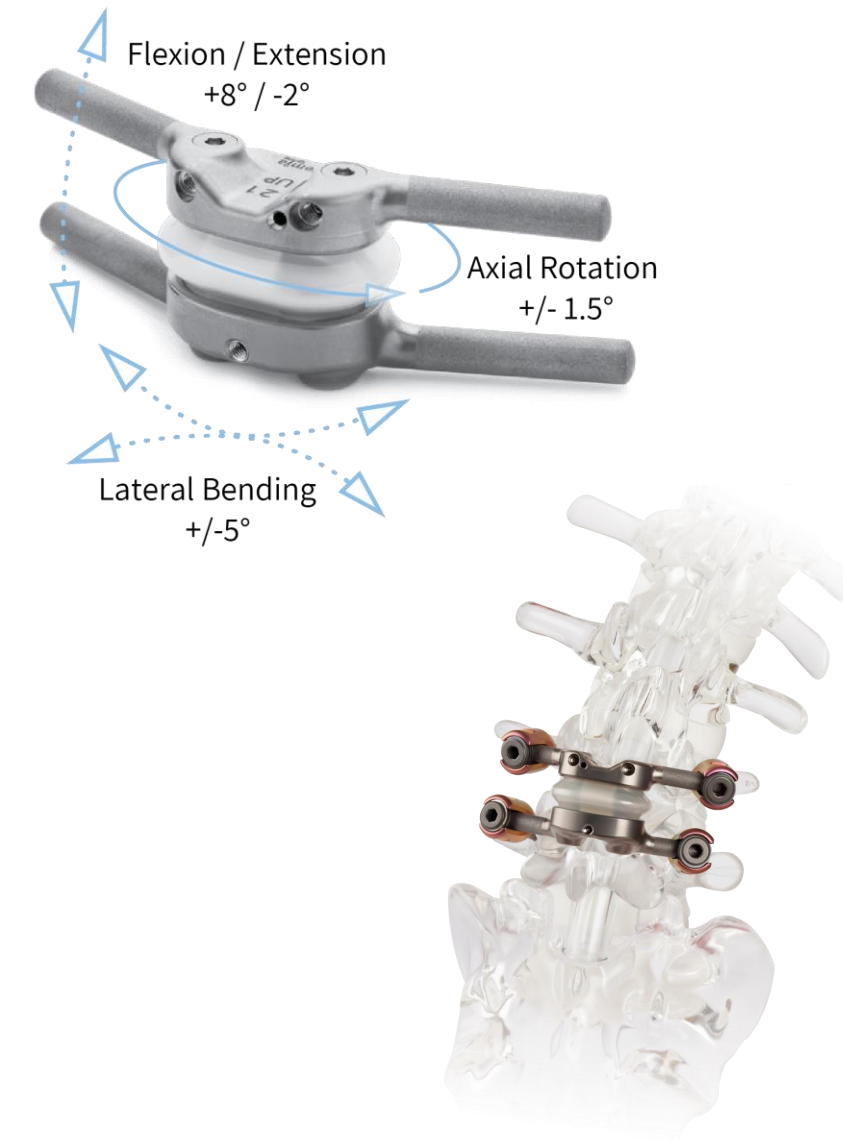
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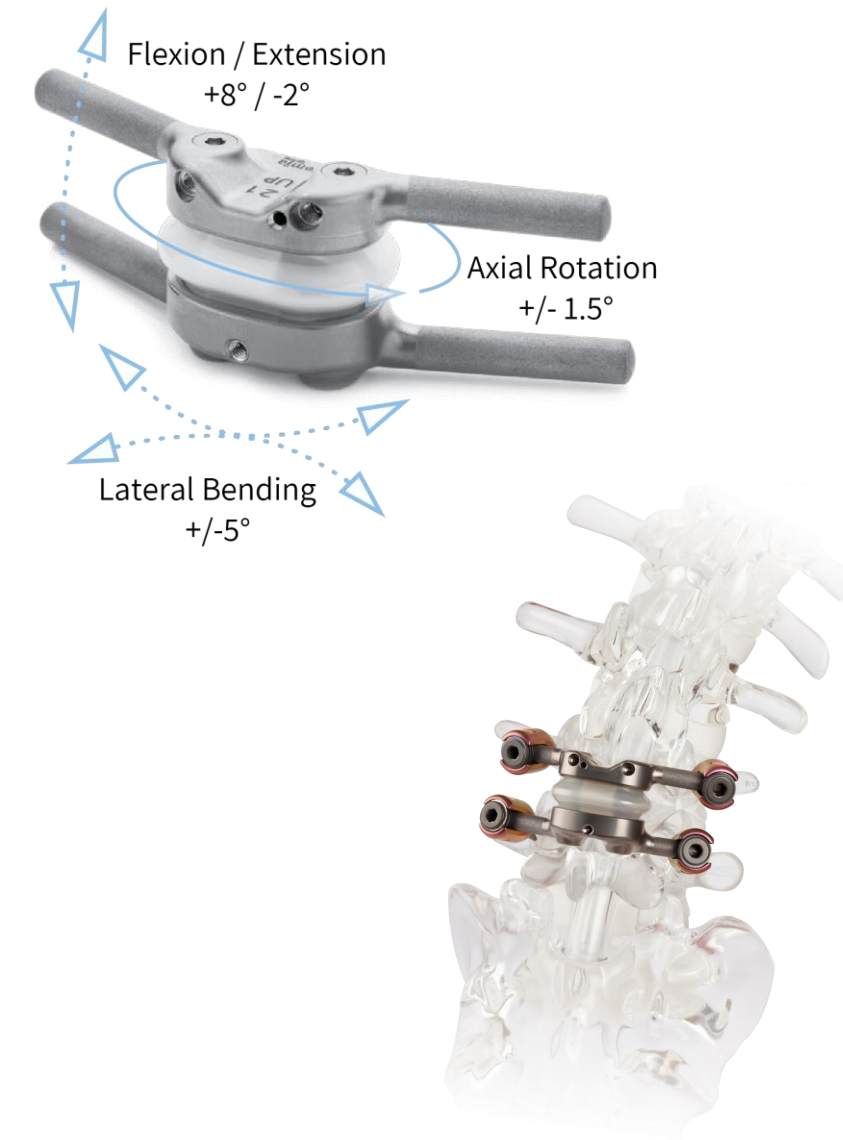
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TOPS System Details

Contraindications

Contraindications: The TOPS System should not be implanted in patients with the following conditions:

- Presence of extruded or free fragment disc herniation at the index level
- Spondylolisthesis greater than Grade I
- Traumatic, dysplastic or lytic spondylolisthesis
- Back or non-radicular leg pain of unknown etiology
- Stenosis where the etiology is considered to be congenital, iatrogenic, post-traumatic, or metabolic
- Known allergy or sensitivity to PEEK, titanium, and/or polyurethane
- Scoliosis greater than 10 degrees by major Cobb angle (both angular and rotational)
- Morbid obesity defined as a body mass index greater than 40
- Lumbar spine T score less than -2.0
- Active infection - systemic or local
- Cauda equina syndrome or neurogenic bowel/bladder dysfunction



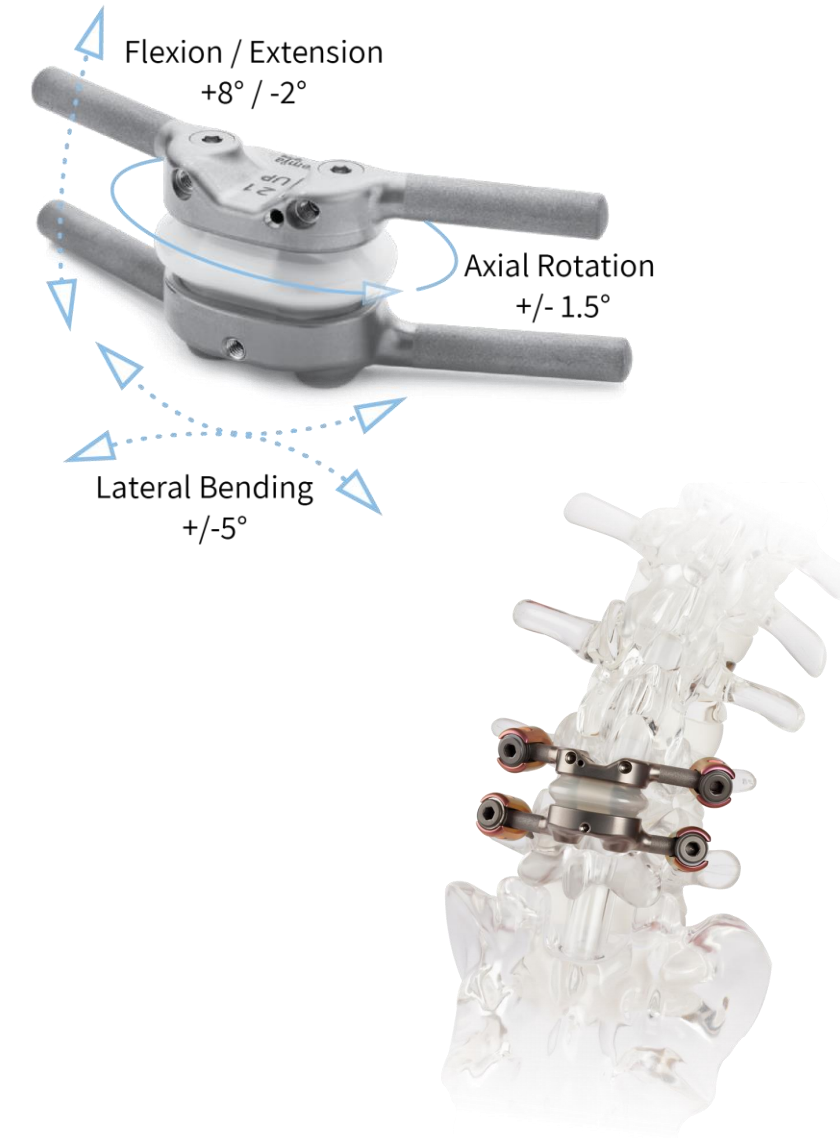
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TOPS System Details

Superiority Claim

Clinical Summary:

TOPS demonstrates clinical superiority in overall trial success compared to fusion at 24 months. The difference between the TOPS success rate of 77% and fusion's rate of 24% is statistically superior.



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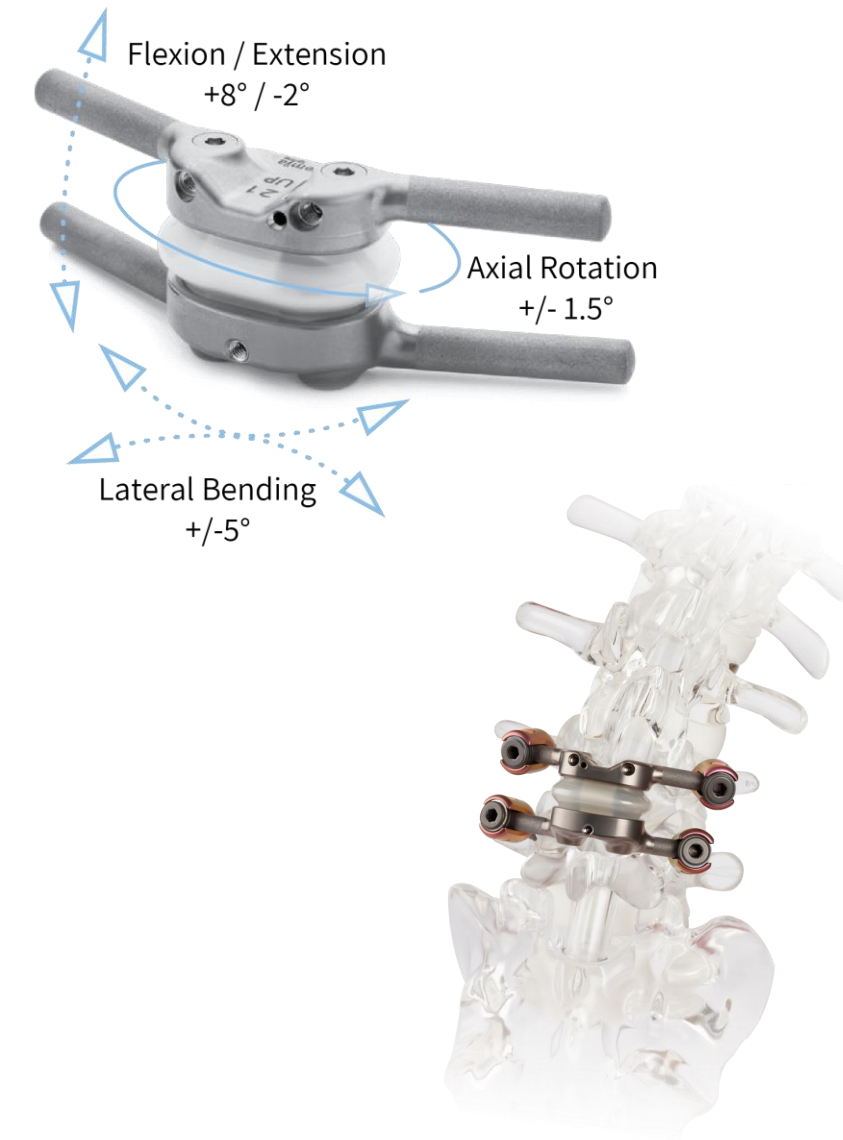
Quotes from the FDA's SSED

Summary of Safety and Effectiveness Data

The TOPS group demonstrated a clinically meaningful and substantial advantage over the Fusion control group with 75.9% (82/108) of subjects randomized to the TOPS group achieving composite clinical success, compared to 23.9% (11/46) of subjects randomized to the Fusion control. Based on these results, the TOPS System was concluded to be superior to the Fusion control with respect to composite clinical success.

The clinical study results demonstrate that the TOPS System is at least as safe as the Fusion control and that the device has a reasonable assurance of safety.

In conclusion, the study data indicate that, at Month 24, the TOPS System is superior to the control treatment (Fusion), for the subject population and indications studied in this investigation, in terms of overall success according to the protocol-specified primary endpoint.



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Dr. Steve DeLuca Testimonial

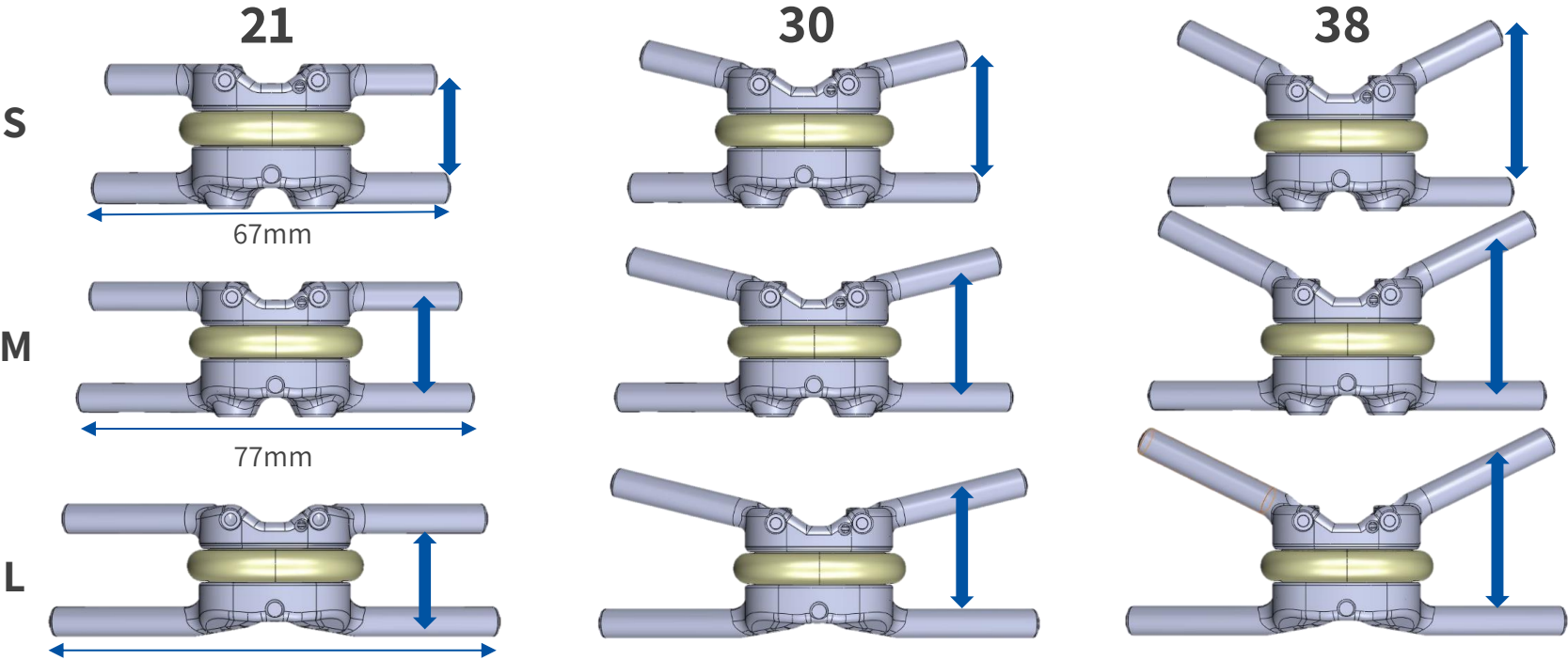


TOPS System Products

Pre-sterile motion device and pedicle screws

- There are 9 sizes of TOPS devices. The loaner kit comes with 7 sizes (30S and 38S are not included). Size 21 is most popular
- TOPS is used with Premia pedicle screws, available in 5.5, 6.5, and 7.5mm diameter and lengths of 40, 45, 50, and 55mm—both cannulated and non-cannulated. Coordinate sizes for each case

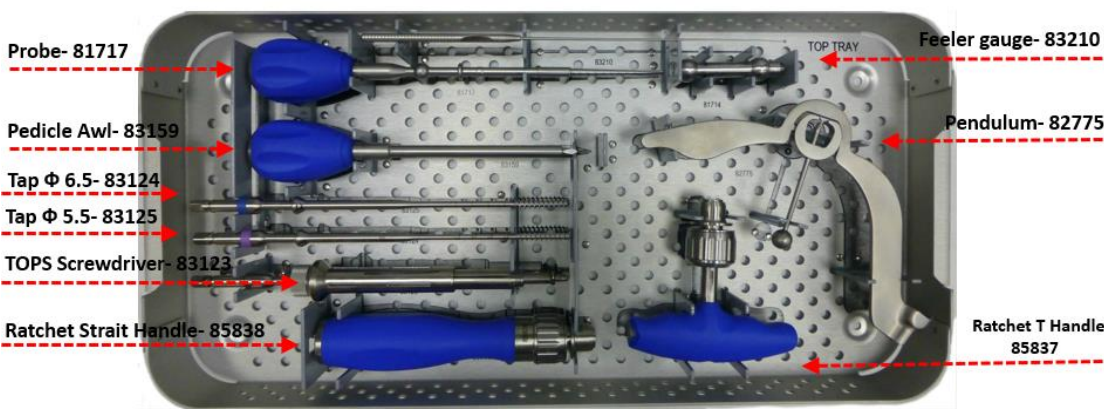
Device	Size / Configuration	Length
TOPS Motion Implant	21 (IPD)	L/M/S
	30 (IPD)	L/M/S
	38 (IPD)	L/M/S



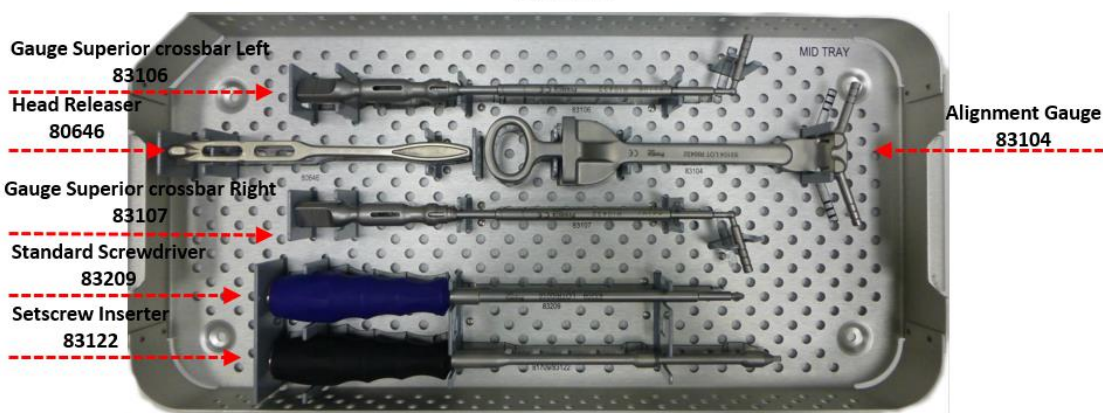
TOPS System Instrumentation

One Container

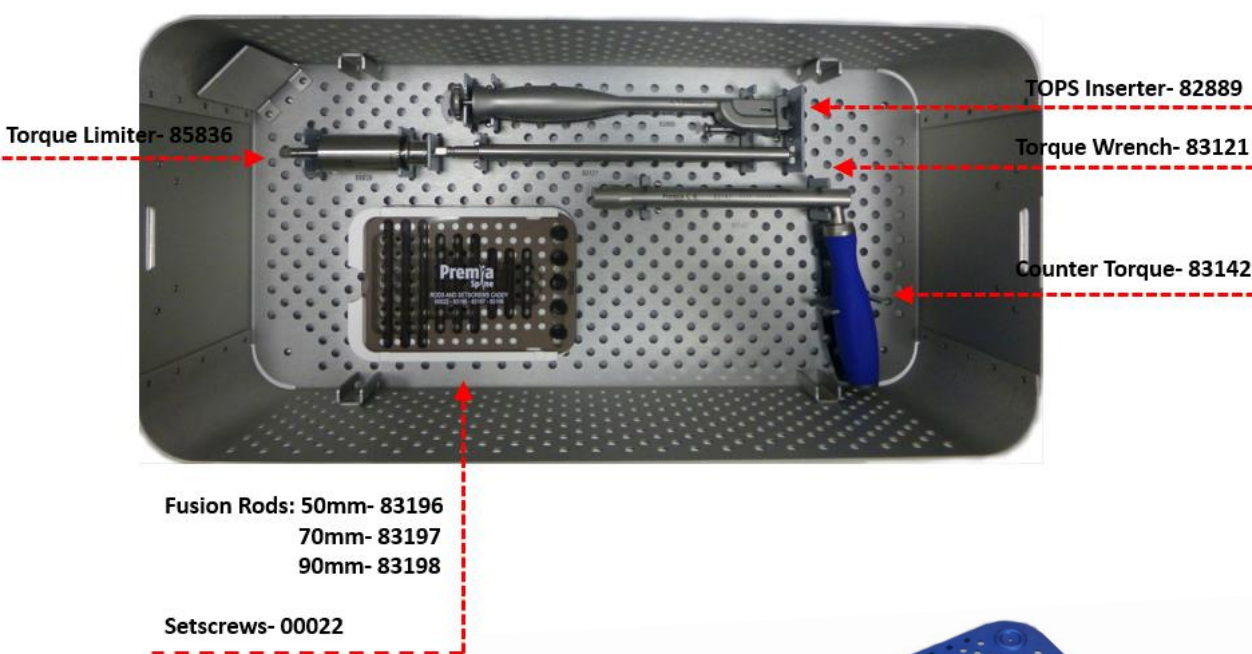
Upper Tray for TOPS™ Instruments Container
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Middle Tray for TOPS™ Instruments Container
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Bottom Tray for TOPS™ Instruments Container
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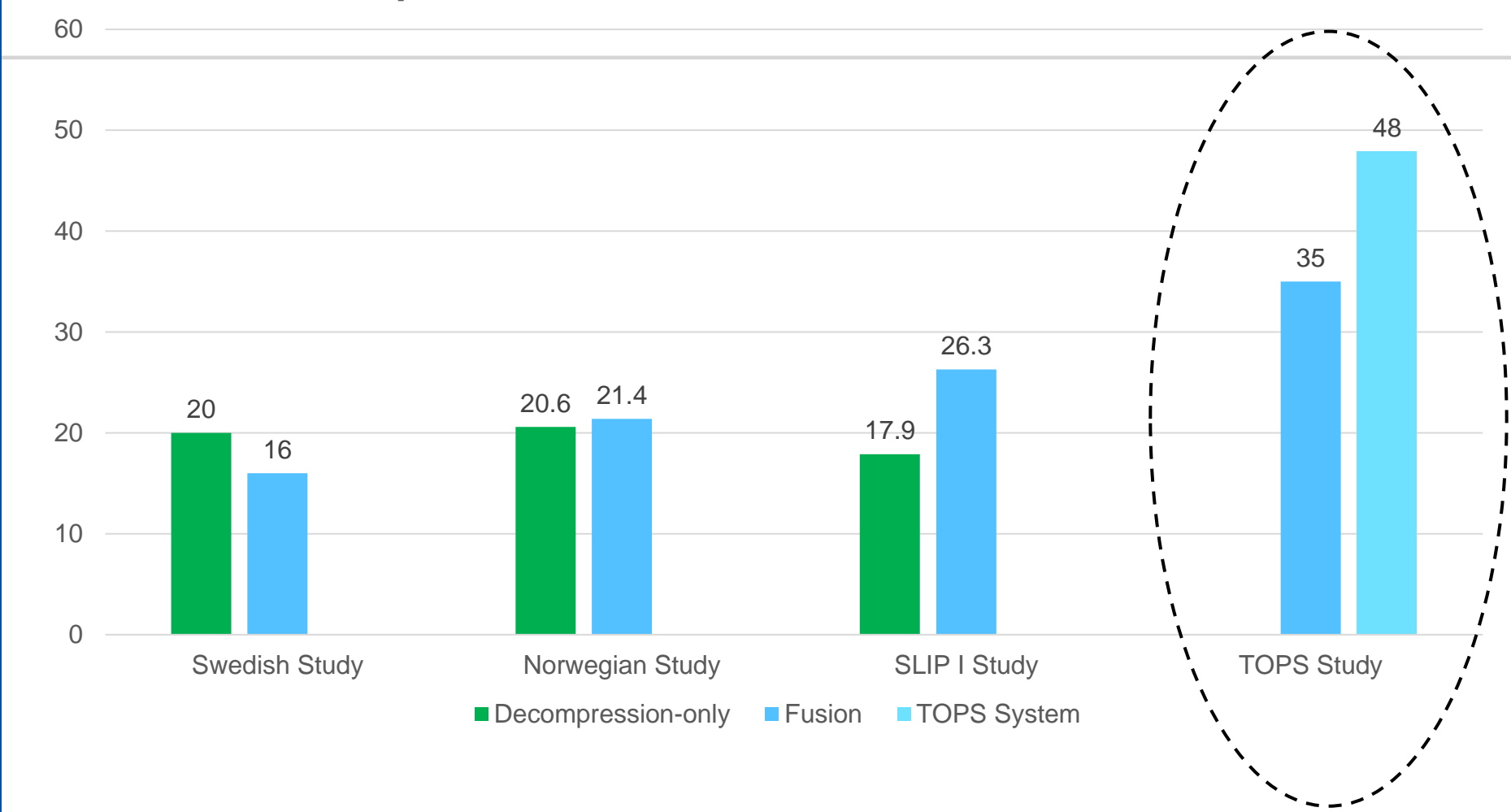
Cadaver Training

Additional Clinical Information



TOPS IDE Study in Context

ODI Improvement at 2 Years from Baseline ODI score



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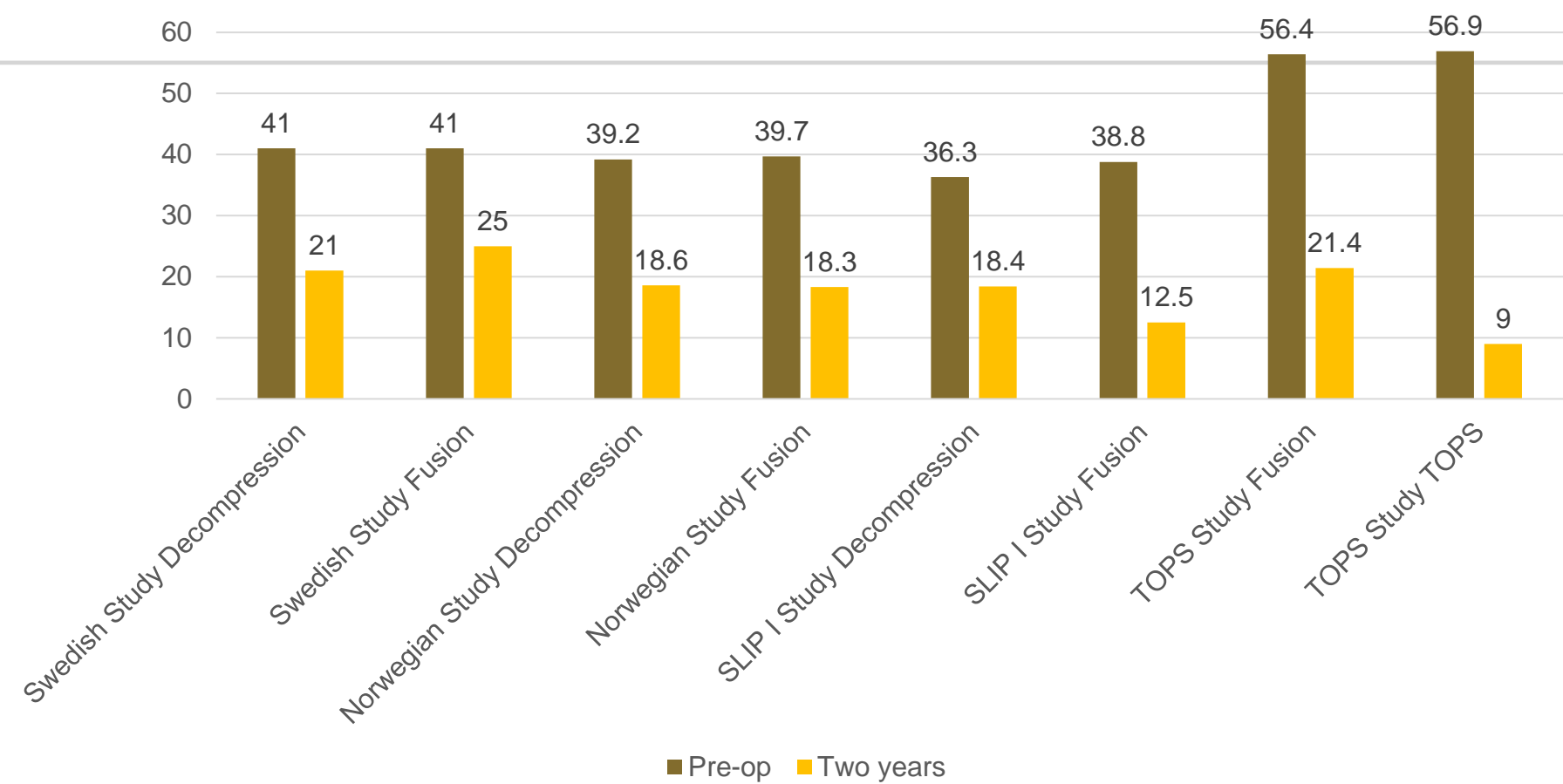
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ODI Scores at Baseline and at 2 Years



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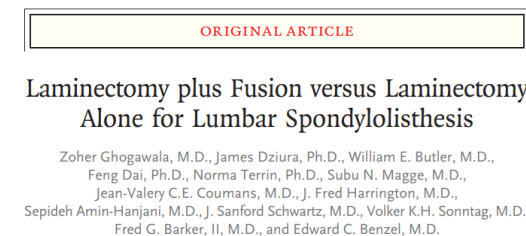
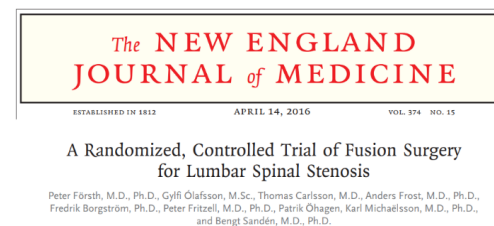
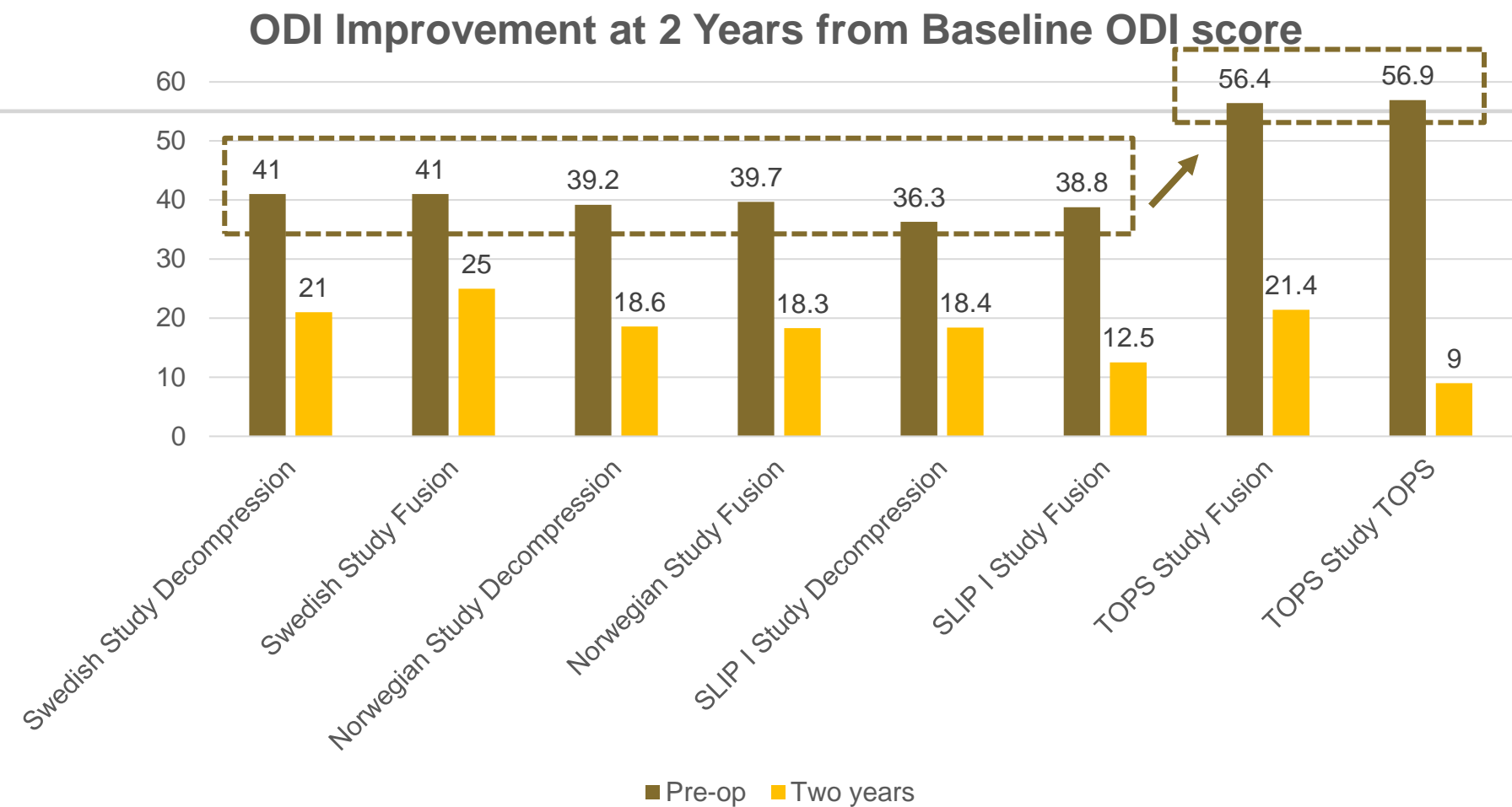
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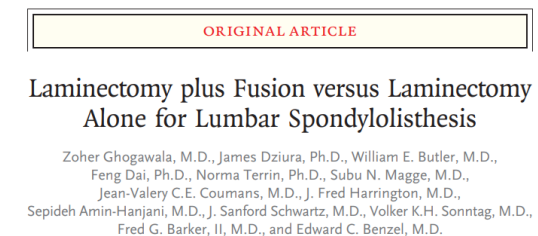
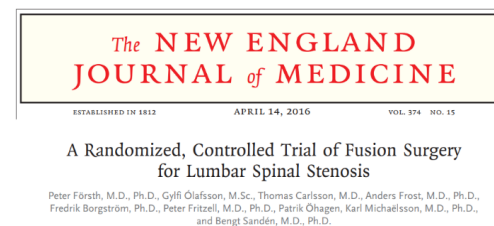
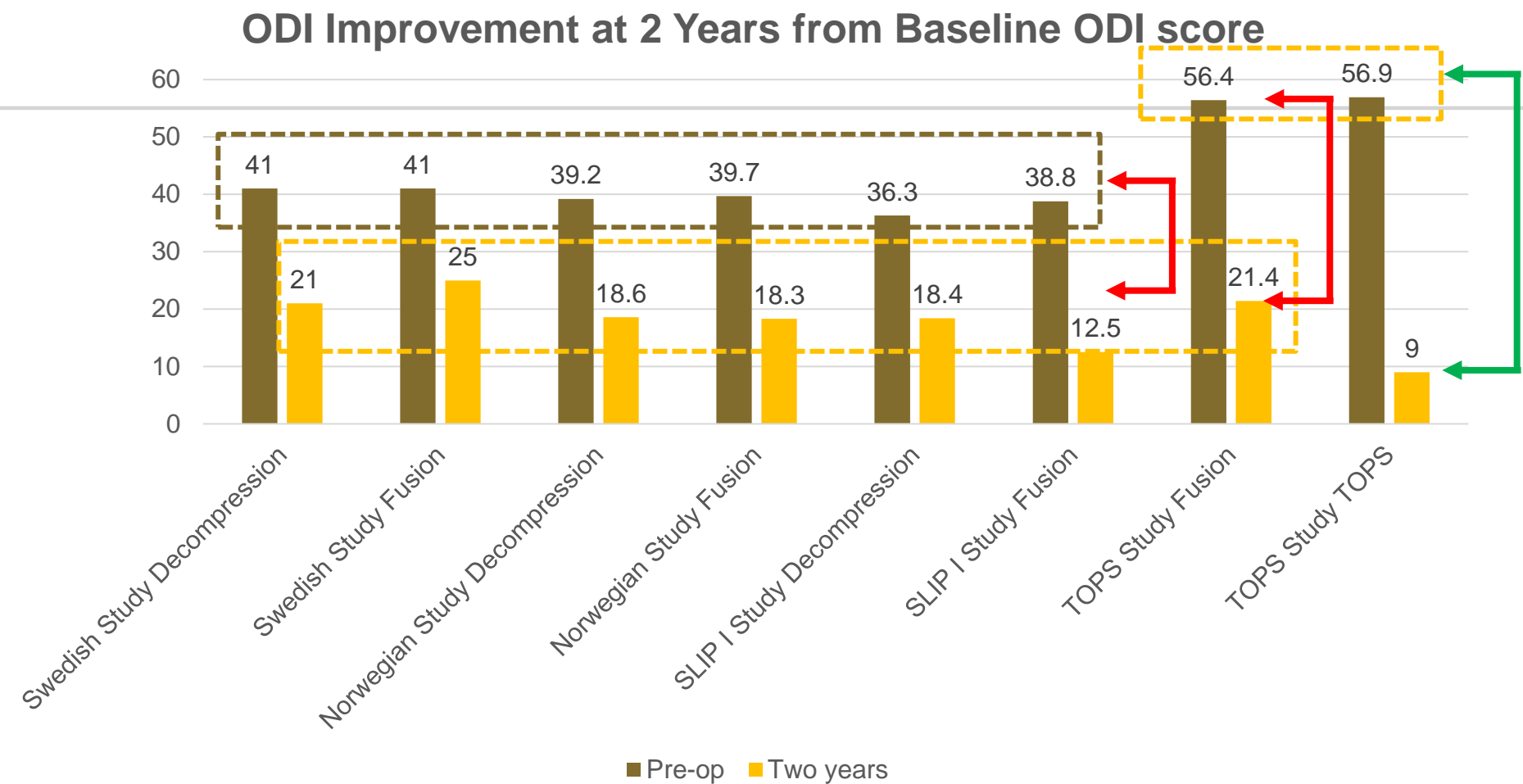
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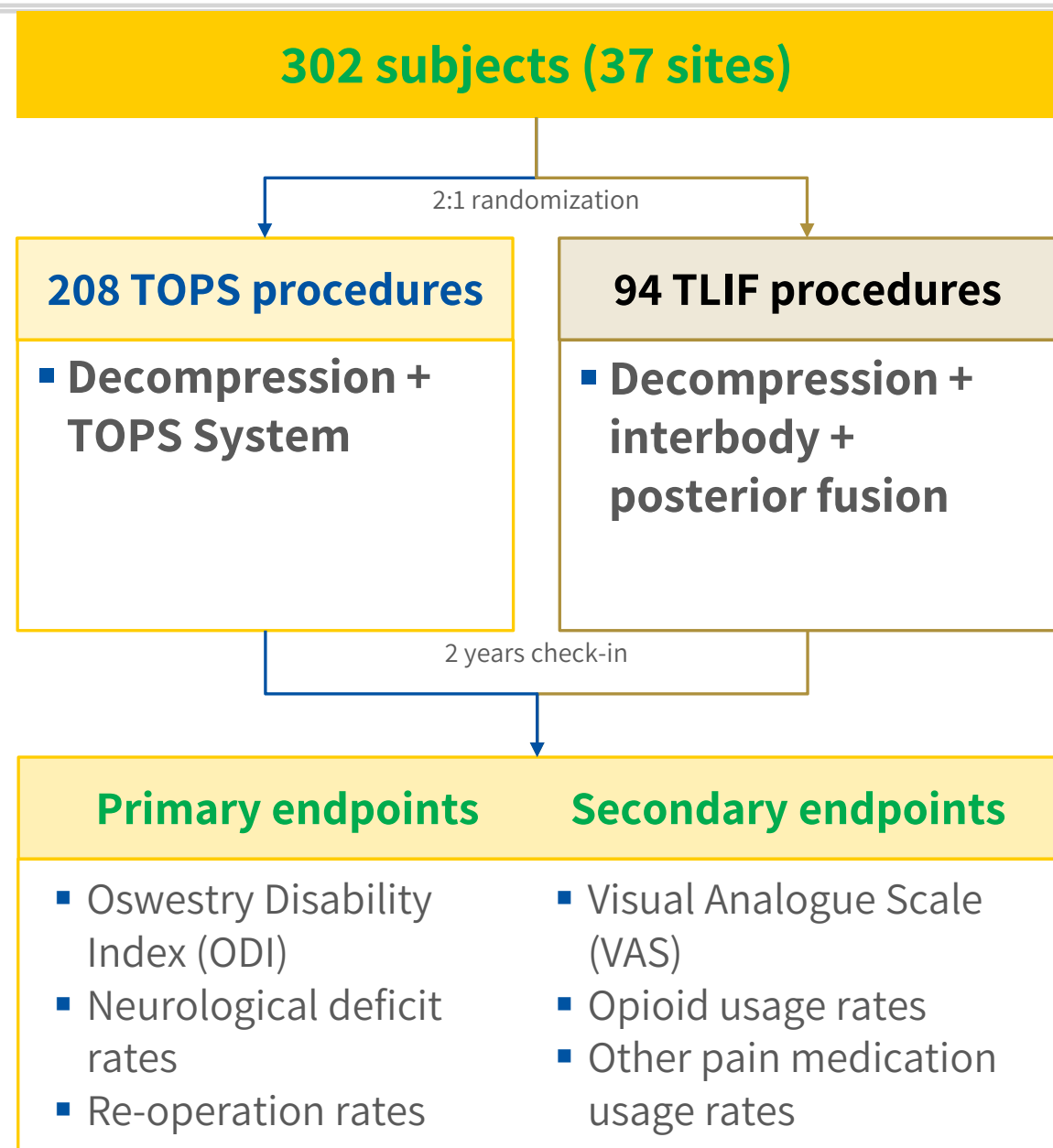
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TOPS FDA Pivotal Study Results



Prospective, multi-center randomized study of TOPS System versus TLIF of up to 500 patients with interim looks at 300 and 400 patients

Key inclusion criteria:

- Single level pathology – between L2 – L5
- Moderate spinal stenosis, degenerative spondylolisthesis
- At least 40/100 baseline ODI
- 35-80 years old
- Predominant leg (vs. back) symptoms

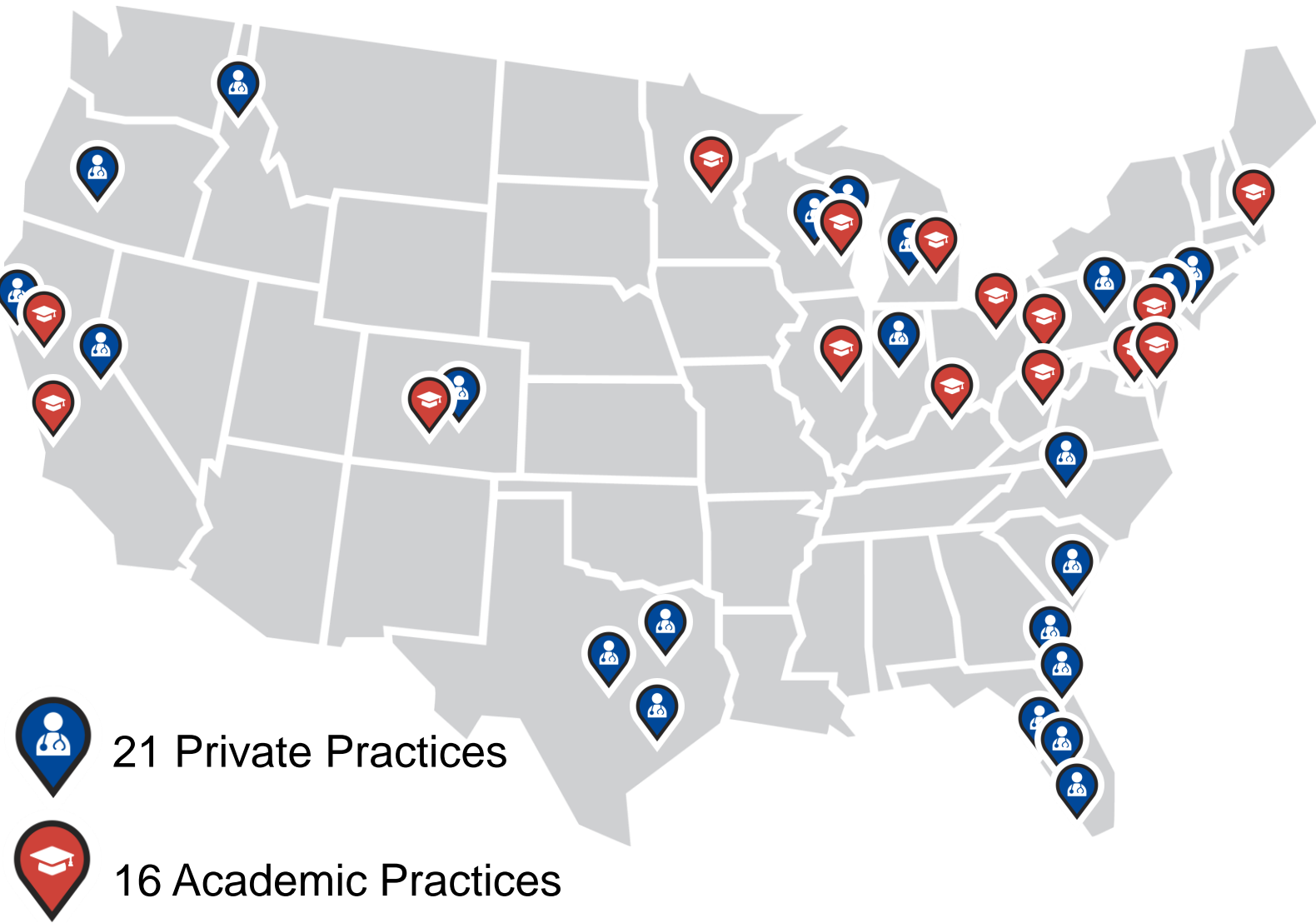
Key exclusion criteria:

- BMI > 40
- More than 1 level involved or <4mm disc height at index level
- Spondylolisthesis > Grade 1 or lytic spondylolisthesis
- Prior surgery at any lumbar level with instrumentation or at adjacent levels without instrumentation

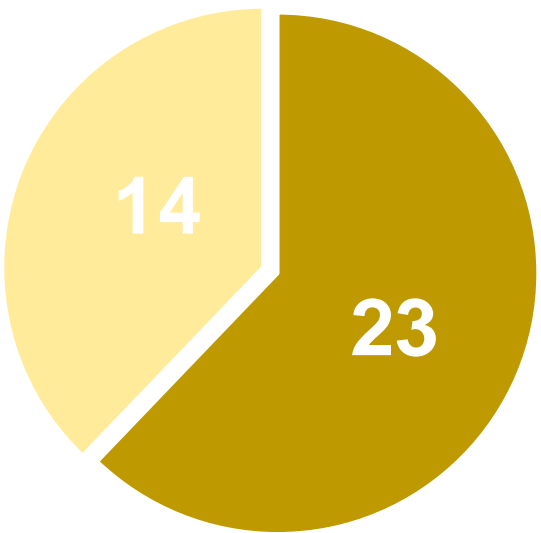
TOPS IDE Clinical Centers / Investigators

37 Heterogeneous Clinical IDE Sites treated Large Homogeneous Patient Population

Type of Practice

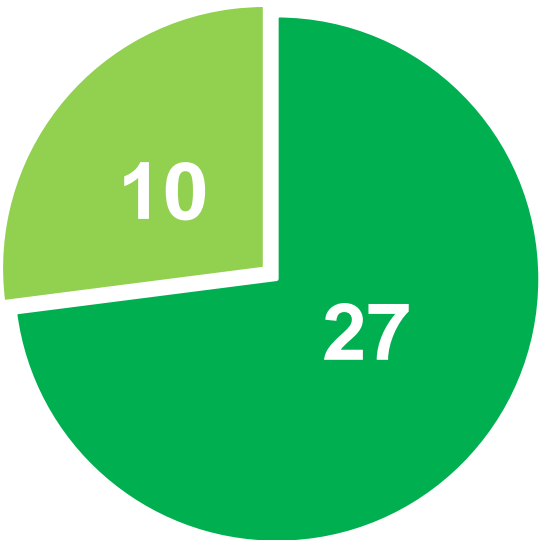


Specialty



- Neurosurgeon
- Orthospine surgeon

Practice Size



- Multi-surgeon practice
- Single practitioner

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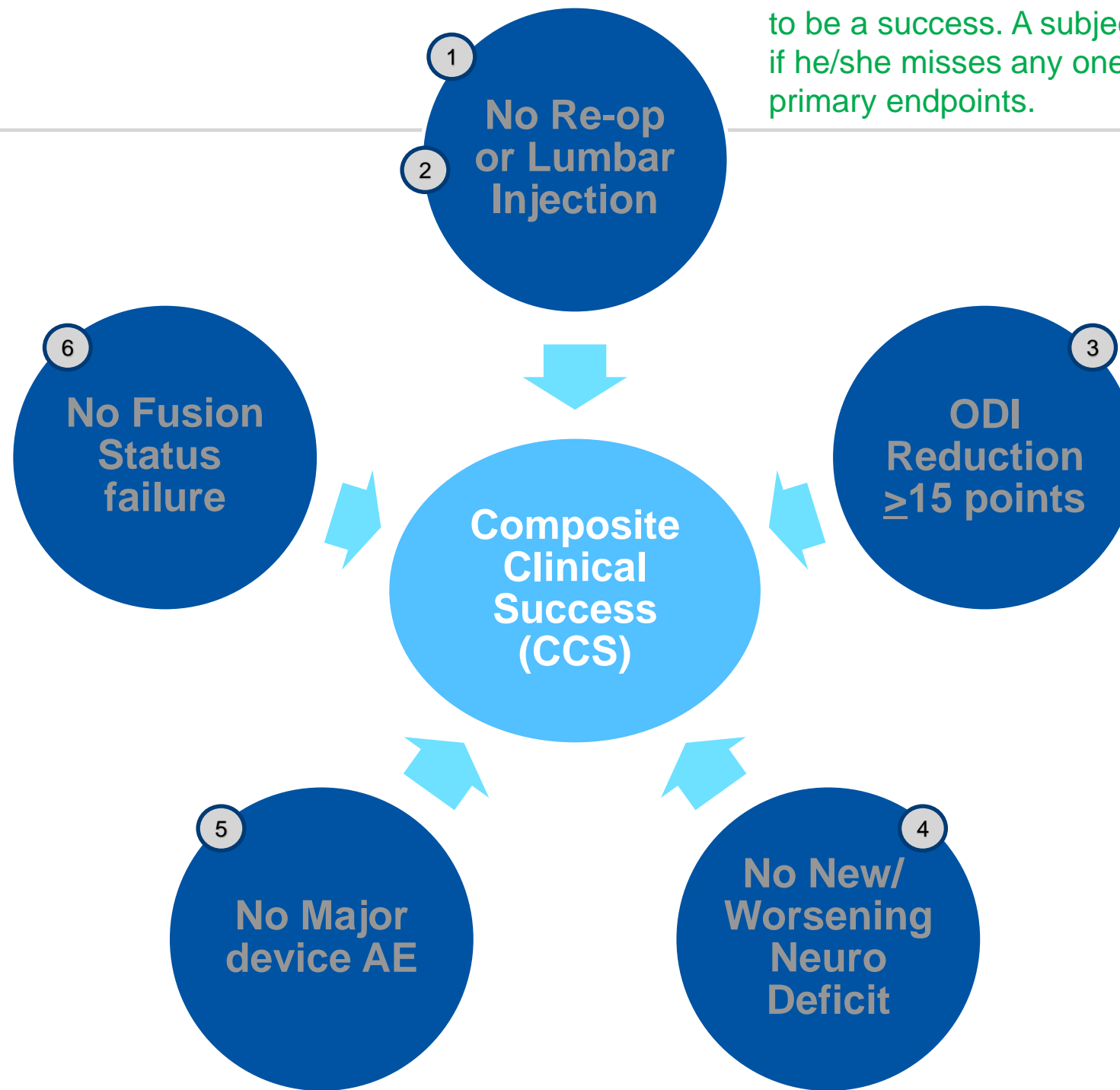
TOPS IDE Study Demographics

Baseline Demographics		
	Fusion	TOPS
Demographics		
Age (years)	64	63
Height (inches)	67	67
Weight (lbs)	190	188
BMI (kg/m ²)	30	29
Sex (Female)	50 (53.7%)	116 (56.3%)
White	86 (92.5%)	191 (92.7%)
Never smoked	59 (63.4%)	127 (61.7%)
Prior lumbar surgery	6 (6.5%)	12 (5.8%)
L4-L5	87 (93.5%)	196 (95.1%)
Operative Characteristics		
	Fusion	TOPS
Time in Surgery (mins)	177	182
Length of Stay (days)	2.9	2.9
EBL (cc)	215	200



Pre-specified Primary Endpoint @ 24 Months

Patients must achieve all 6 endpoints to be a success. A subject is a failure if he/she misses any one of these six primary endpoints.

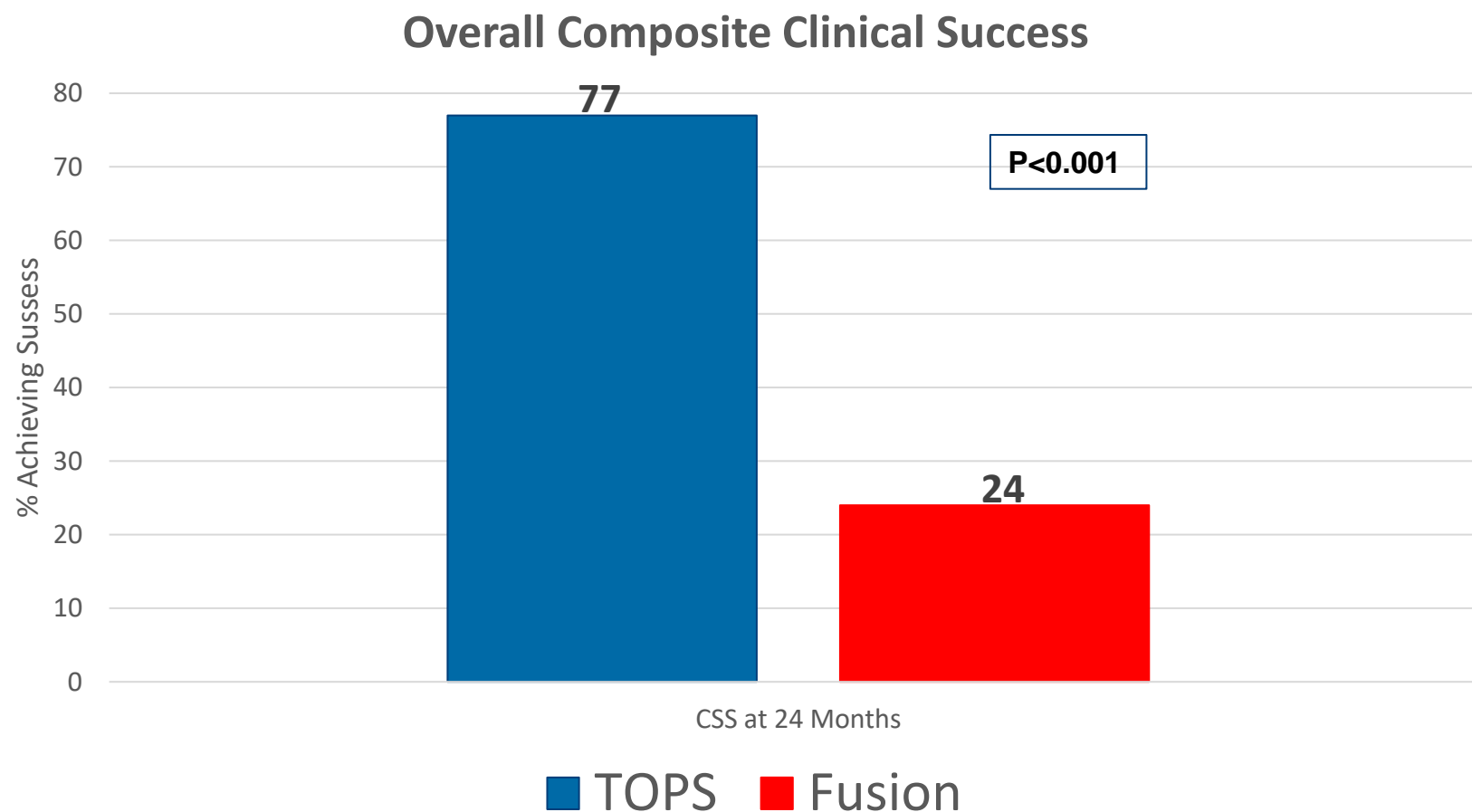


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Composite Clinical Success @ 24 Months

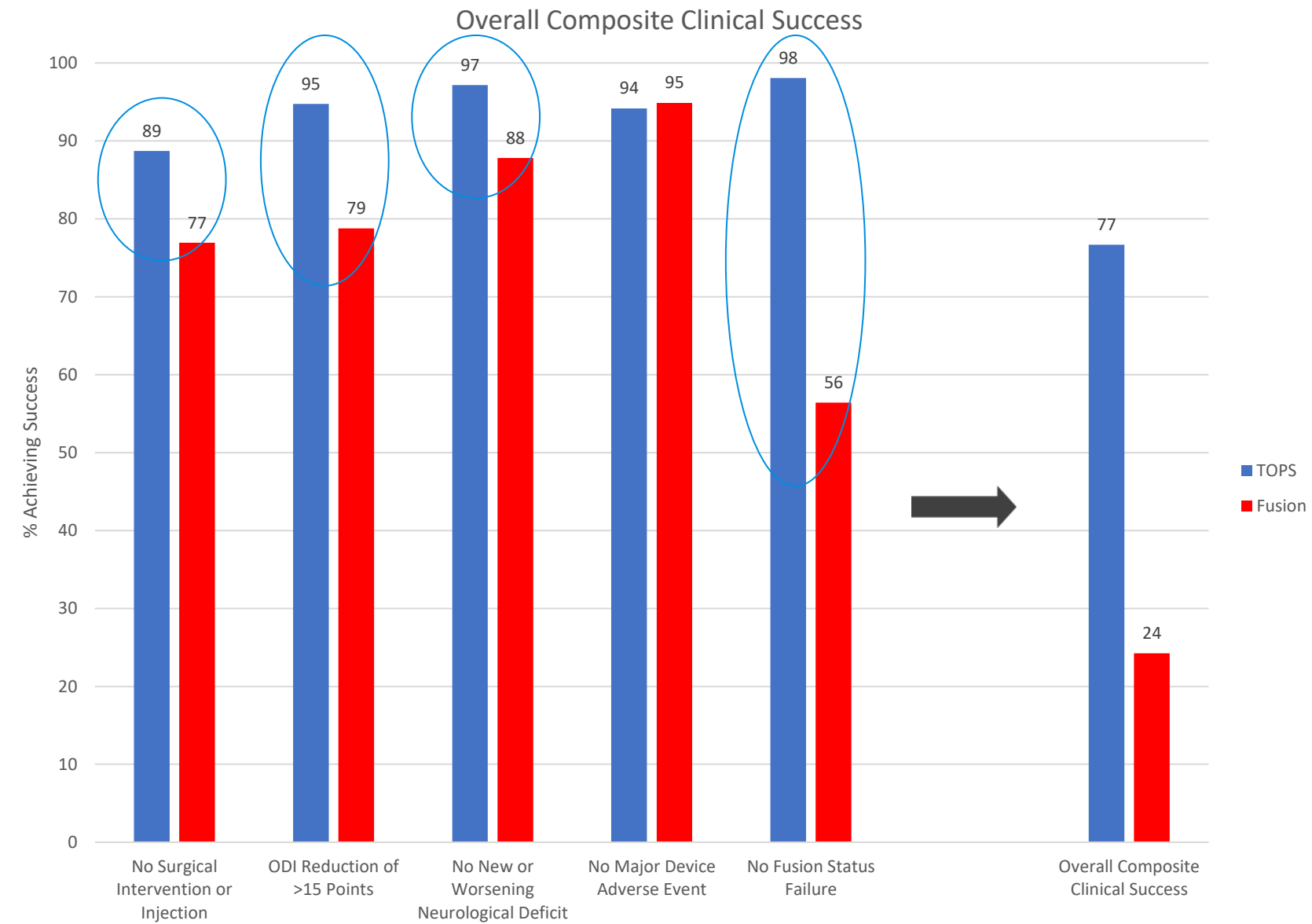


**PMA Conclusion: Significant advantage
for TOPS over lumbar fusion**

Pre-specified Primary Endpoint @ 24 Months

- Absence of bridging trabecular bone across the involved motion segment or
- Angular motion $\geq 3^\circ$ from flexion to extension or
- Translational motion ≥ 2 mm from flexion to extension.

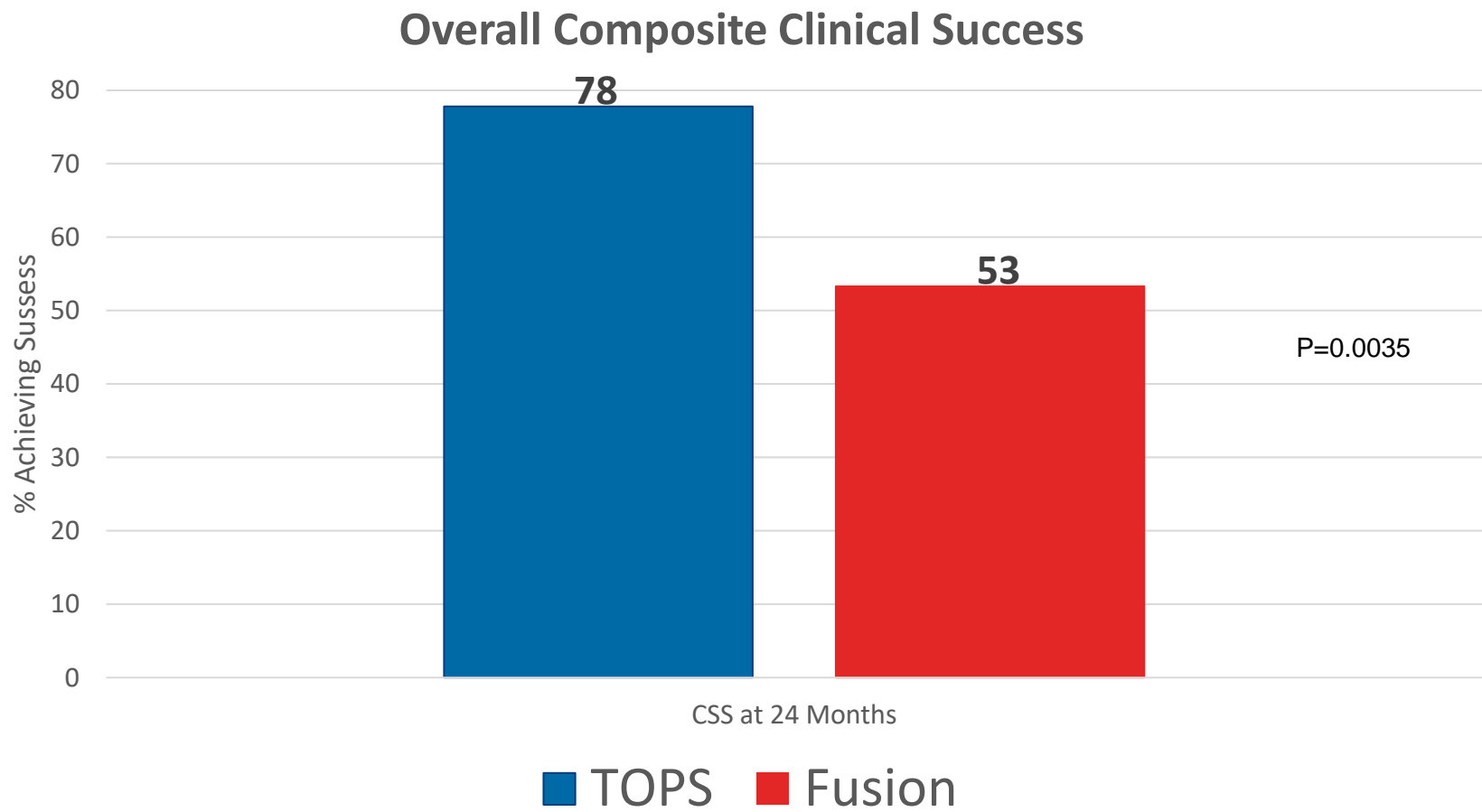
Percent of Patients Achieving Clinical Success



Pre-specified
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EXCLUDING
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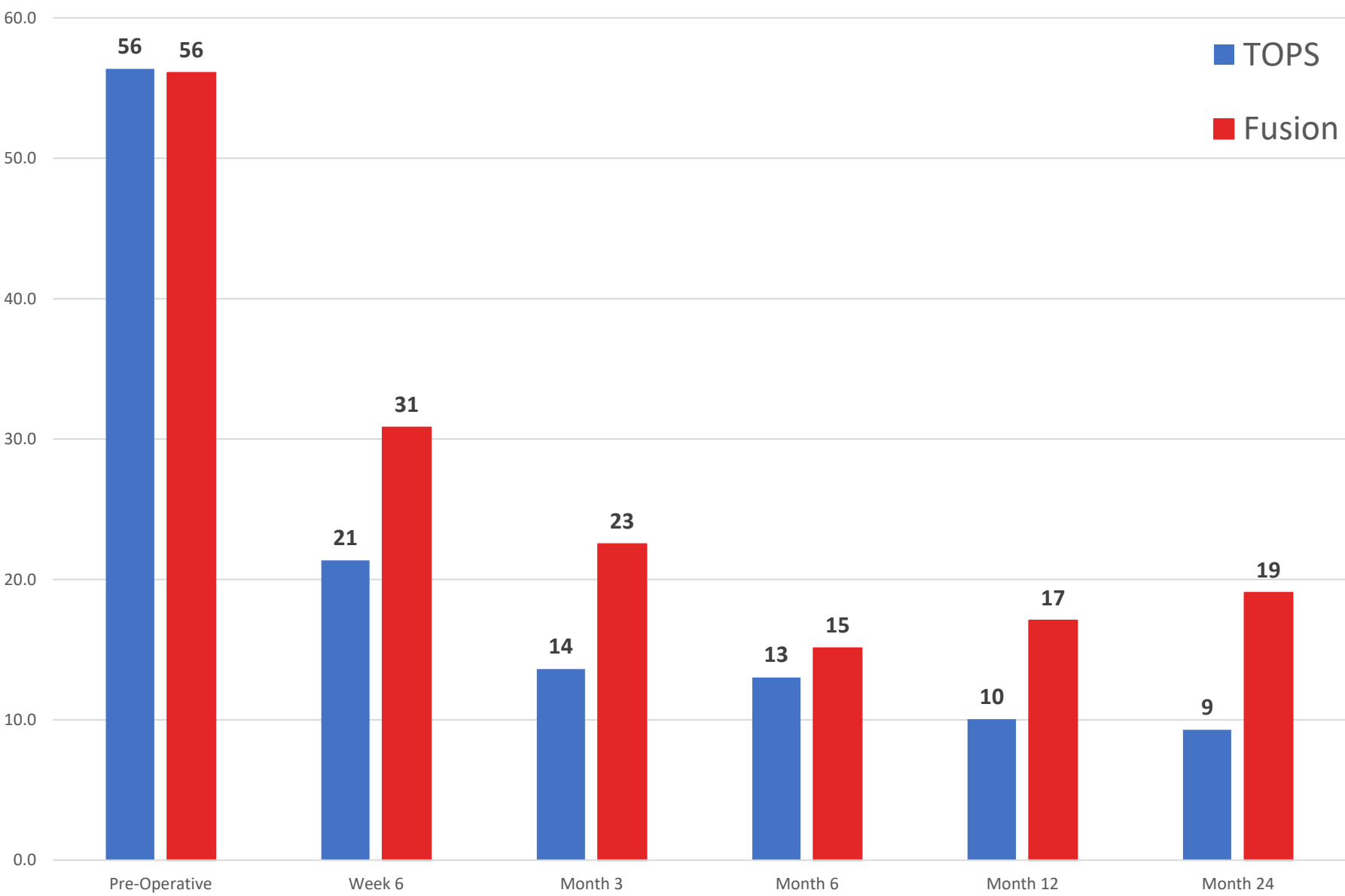
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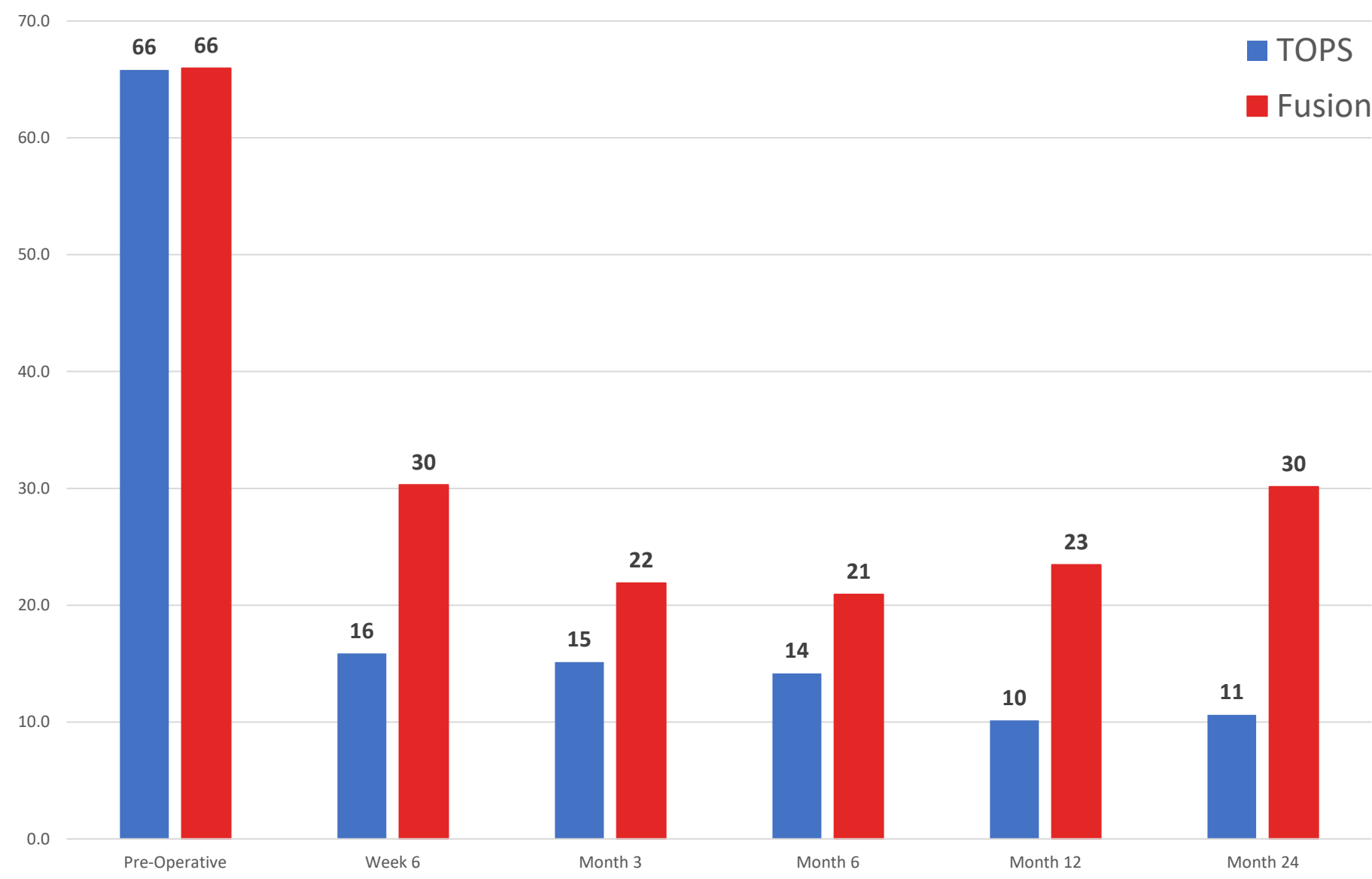
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Oswestry Disability Index (ODI)



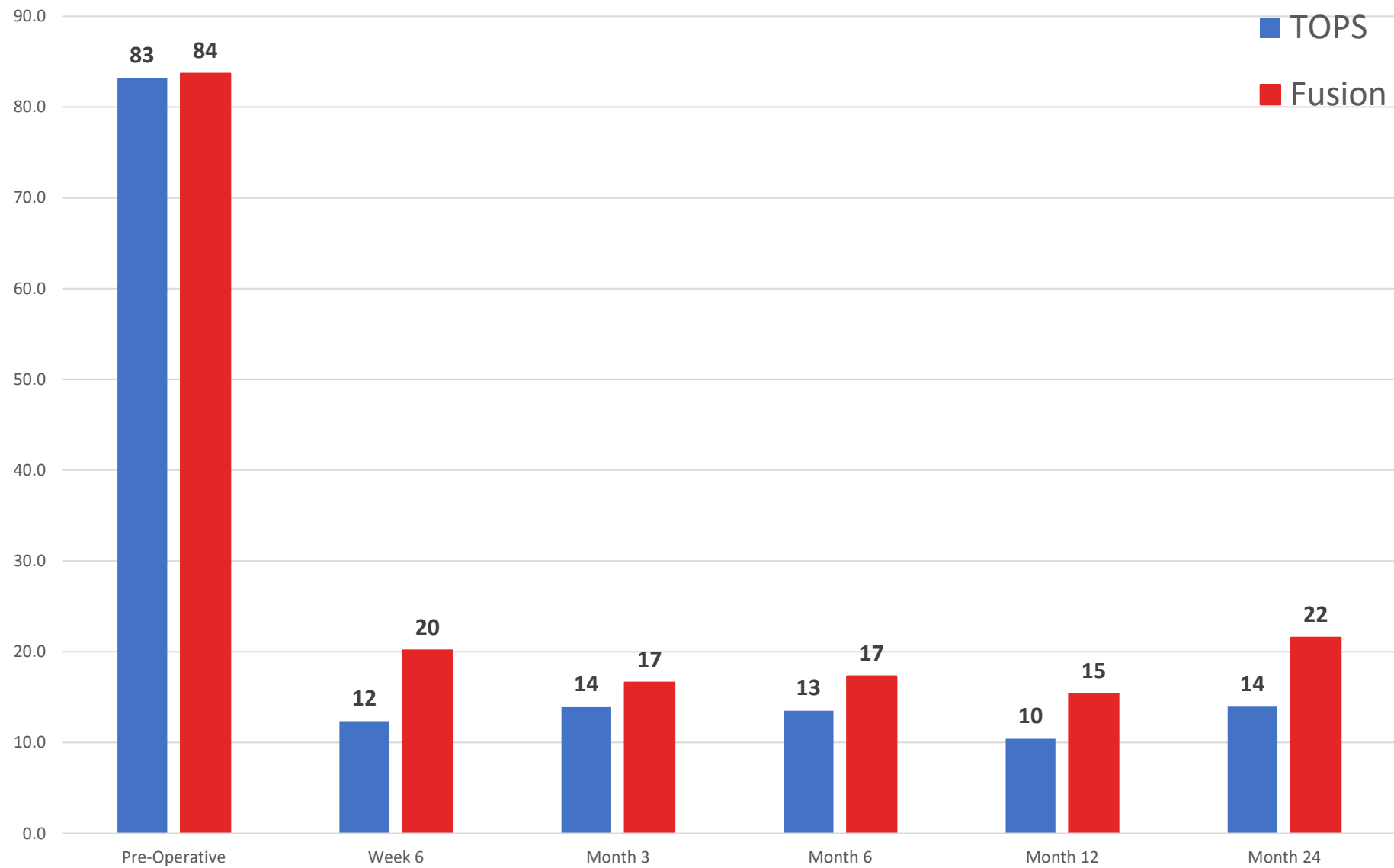
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VAS Back Pain



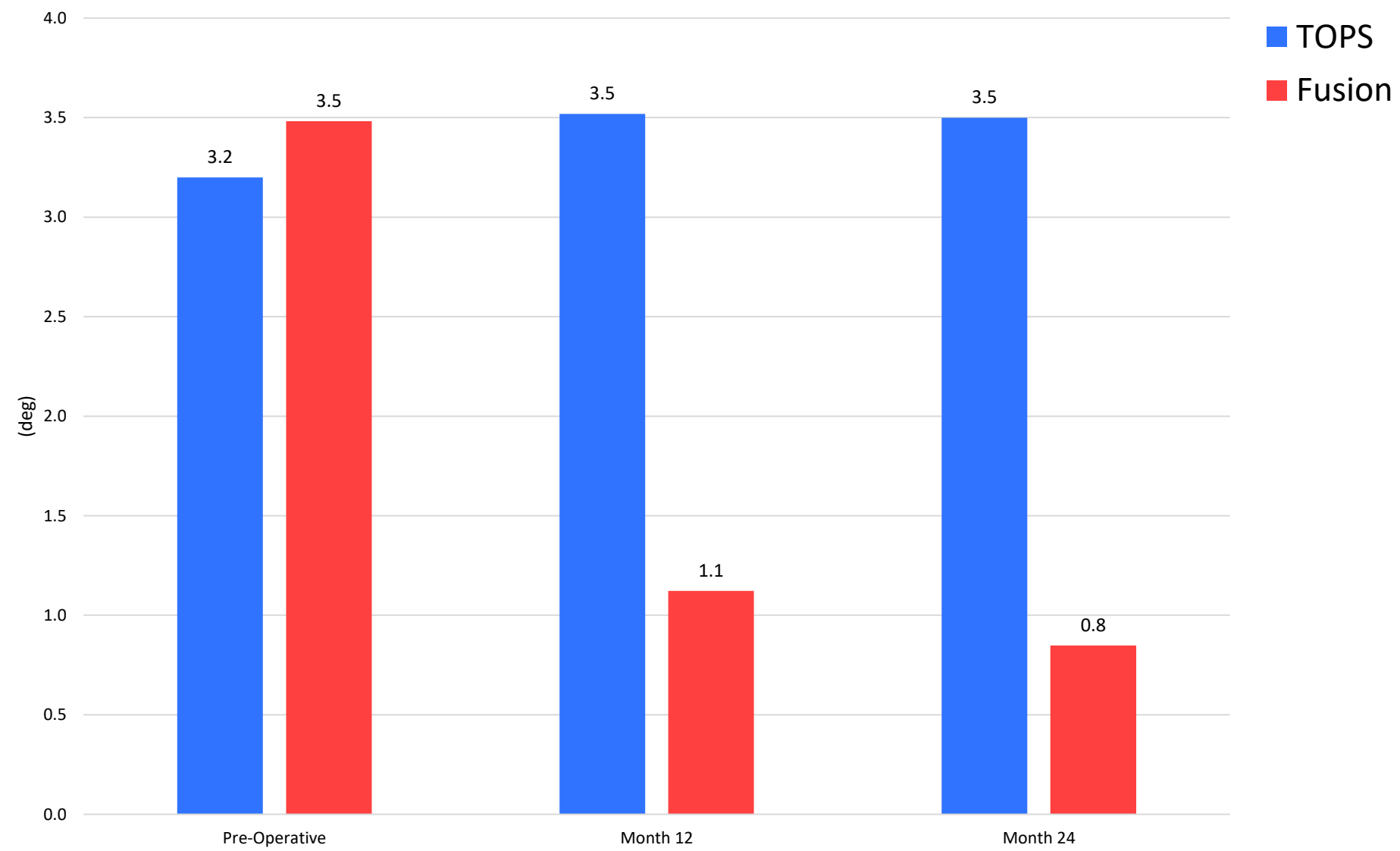
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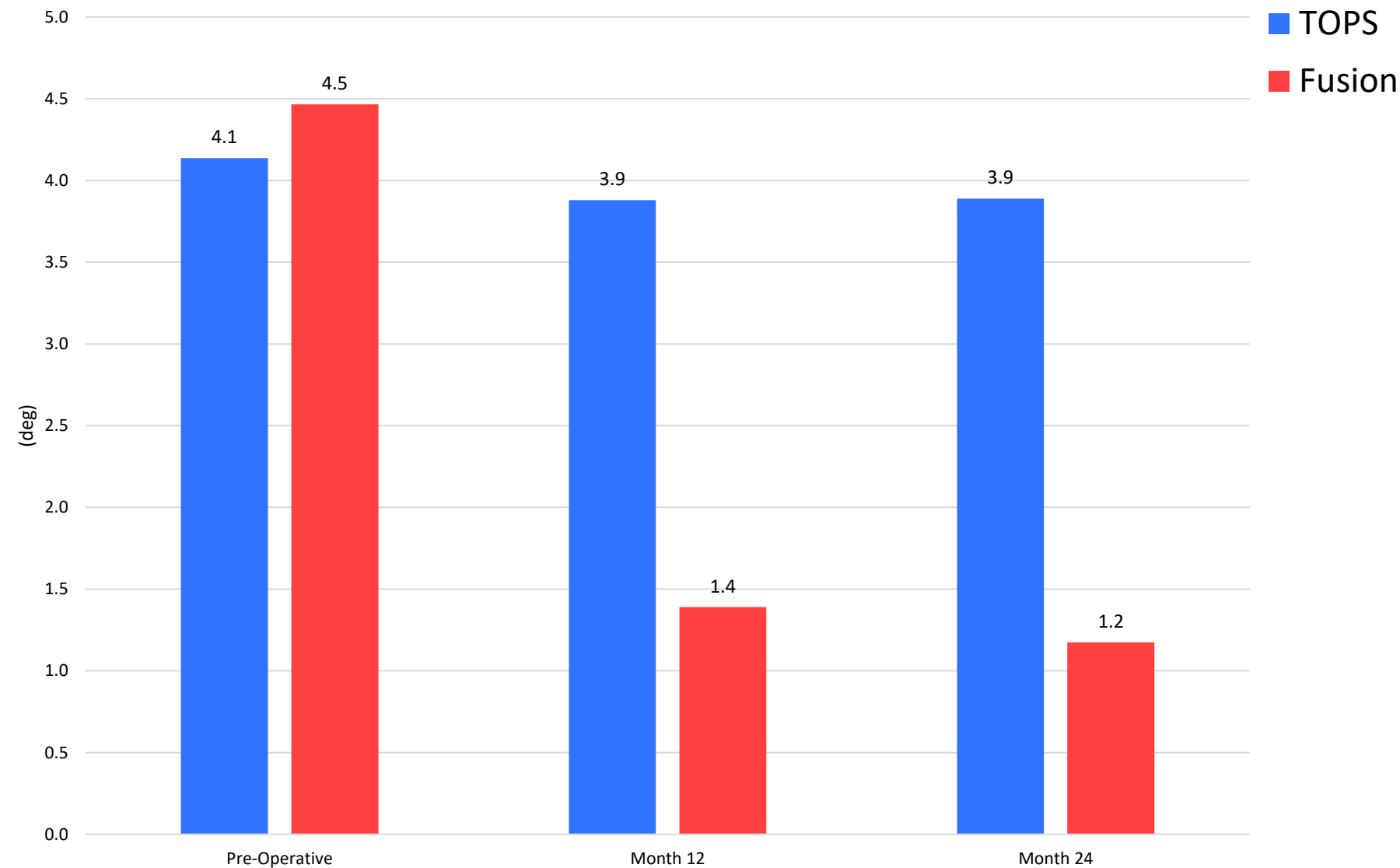
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Summary of Left/Right Bend Range of Motion: Angular Motion (deg)



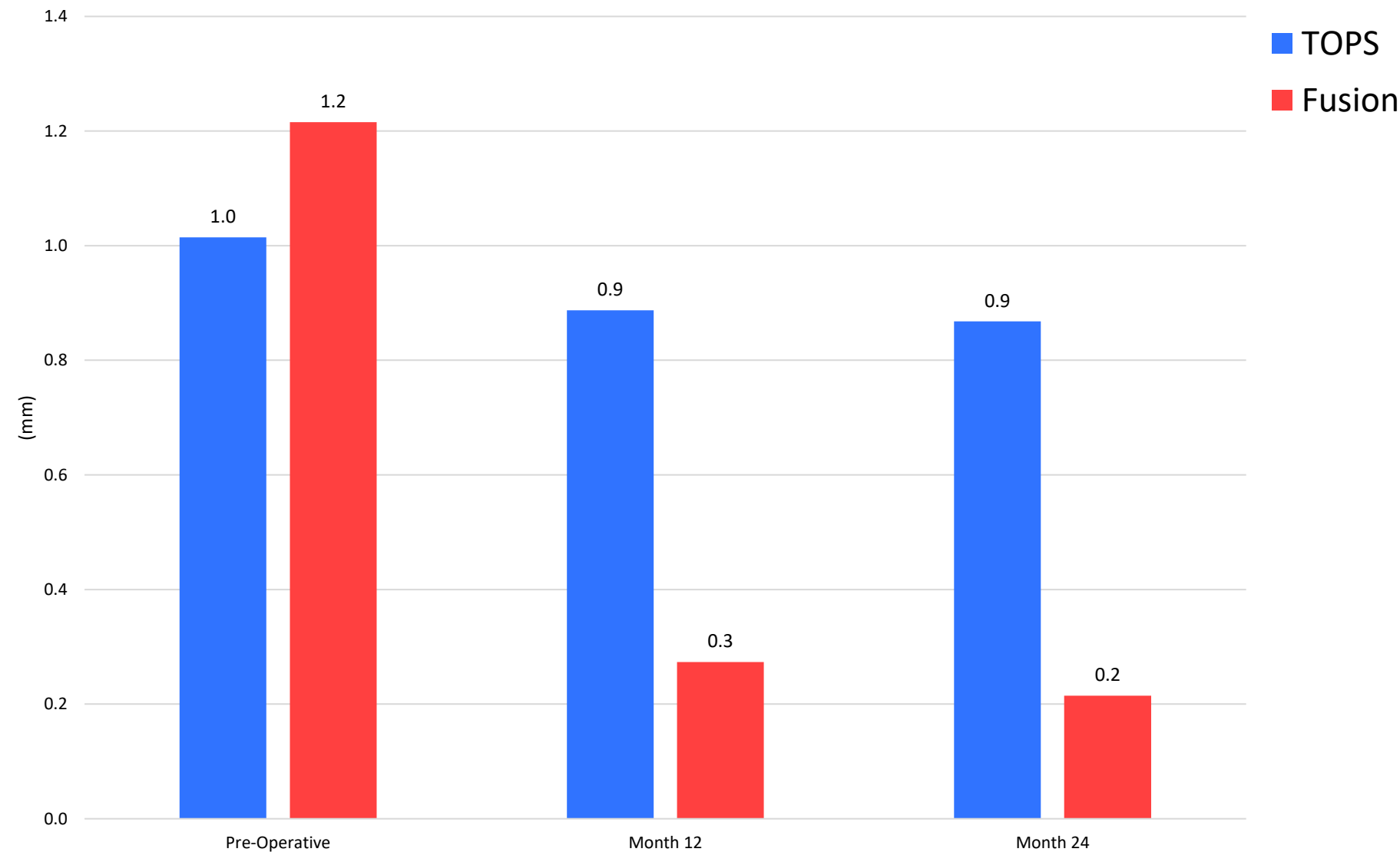
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Summary of Flex/Ex Range of Motion: Angular Motion (deg)



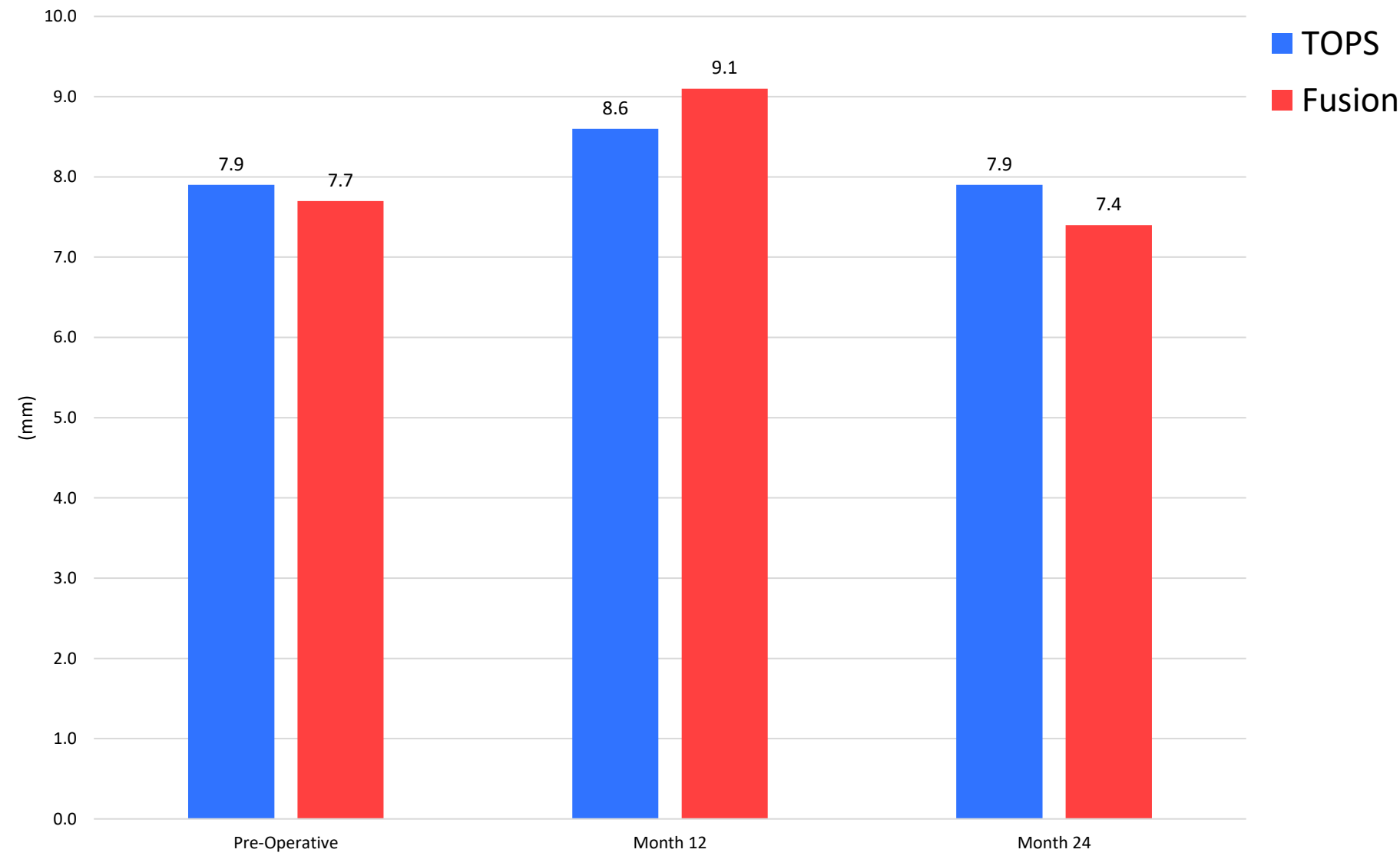
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Summary of Flex/Ex Range of Motion: Translation (mm)



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Change in Disc Height (mm)



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Subsequent Surgical Intervention

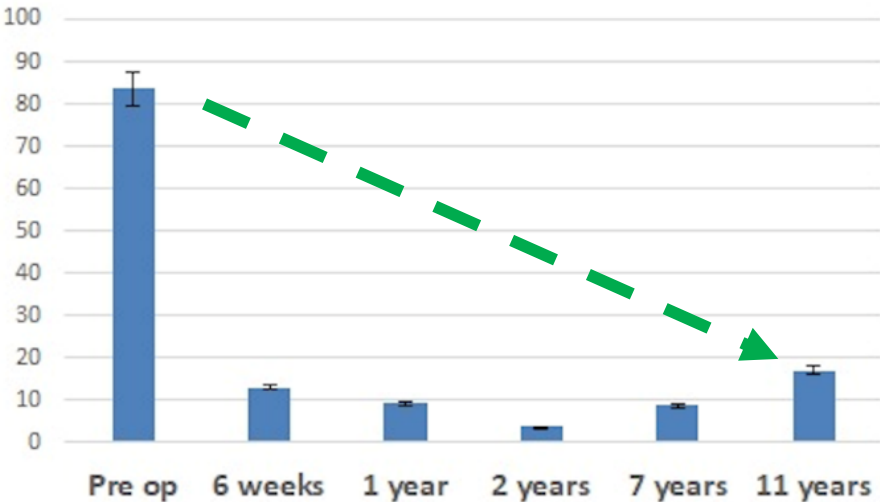
	TOPS (N=208)				Fusion (N=94)			
	SSIs	Subs	%	Avg Days	SSIs	Subs	%	Avg Days
Durotomy	4	2	0.96	15	1	1	1.06	11
Wound Complication	3	3	1.44	33	0	0	0.00	0
Retained Surgical Drain	2	2	0.96	27	0	0	0.00	0
Adjacent Segment Disease	0	0	0.00	0	3	3	3.19	380
Pseudoarthrosis	0	0	0.00	0	1	1	1.06	771
Pedicle Screw Misplacement	1	1	0.48	5	0	0	0.00	0
Screw Loosening / Implant Migration	2	2	0.96	469	1	1	1.06	32
Unresolved Pain	3	3	1.44	498	4	3	3.19	552
ALL	15	11	5.3%	131	10	8	8.5%	218

TOPS Publication: Long-term follow-up

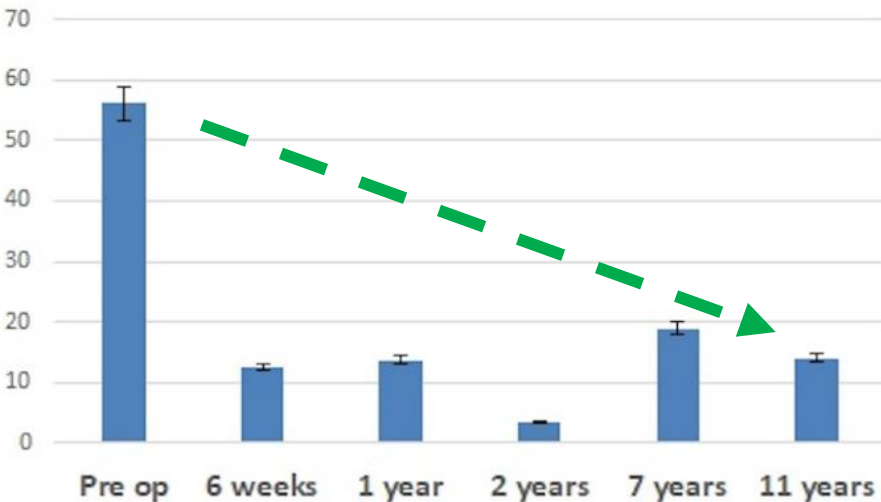
Long-term results for total lumbar facet joint replacement in the management of lumbar degenerative spondylolisthesis

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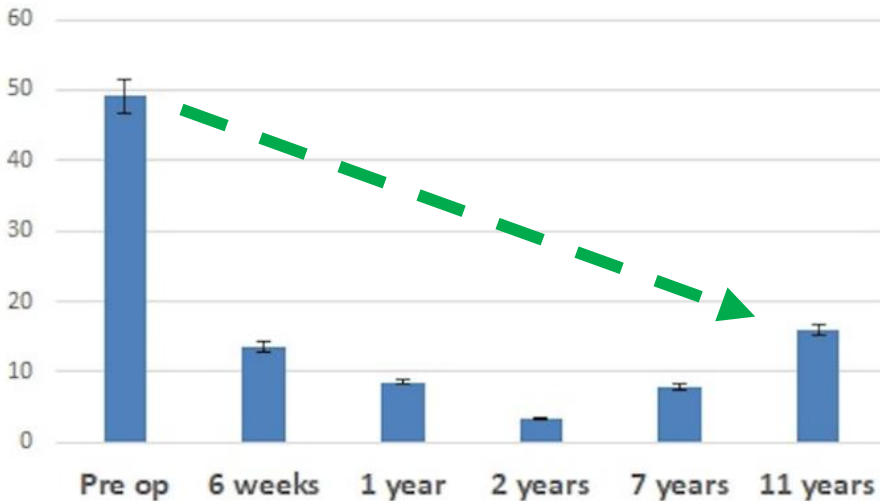
VAS Worse Leg Pain



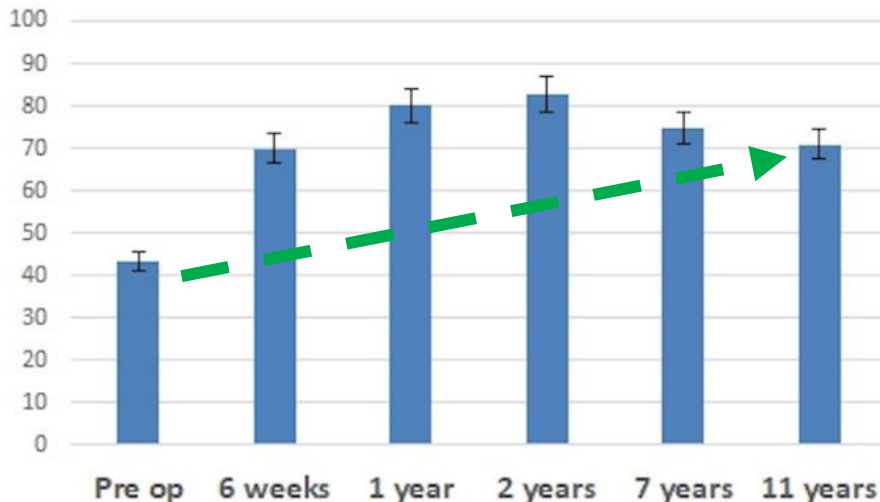
VAS Back Pain



Oswestry Disability Index



SF-36



52-yr male, pre-op



52-yr male, 27-12-2006 surgery

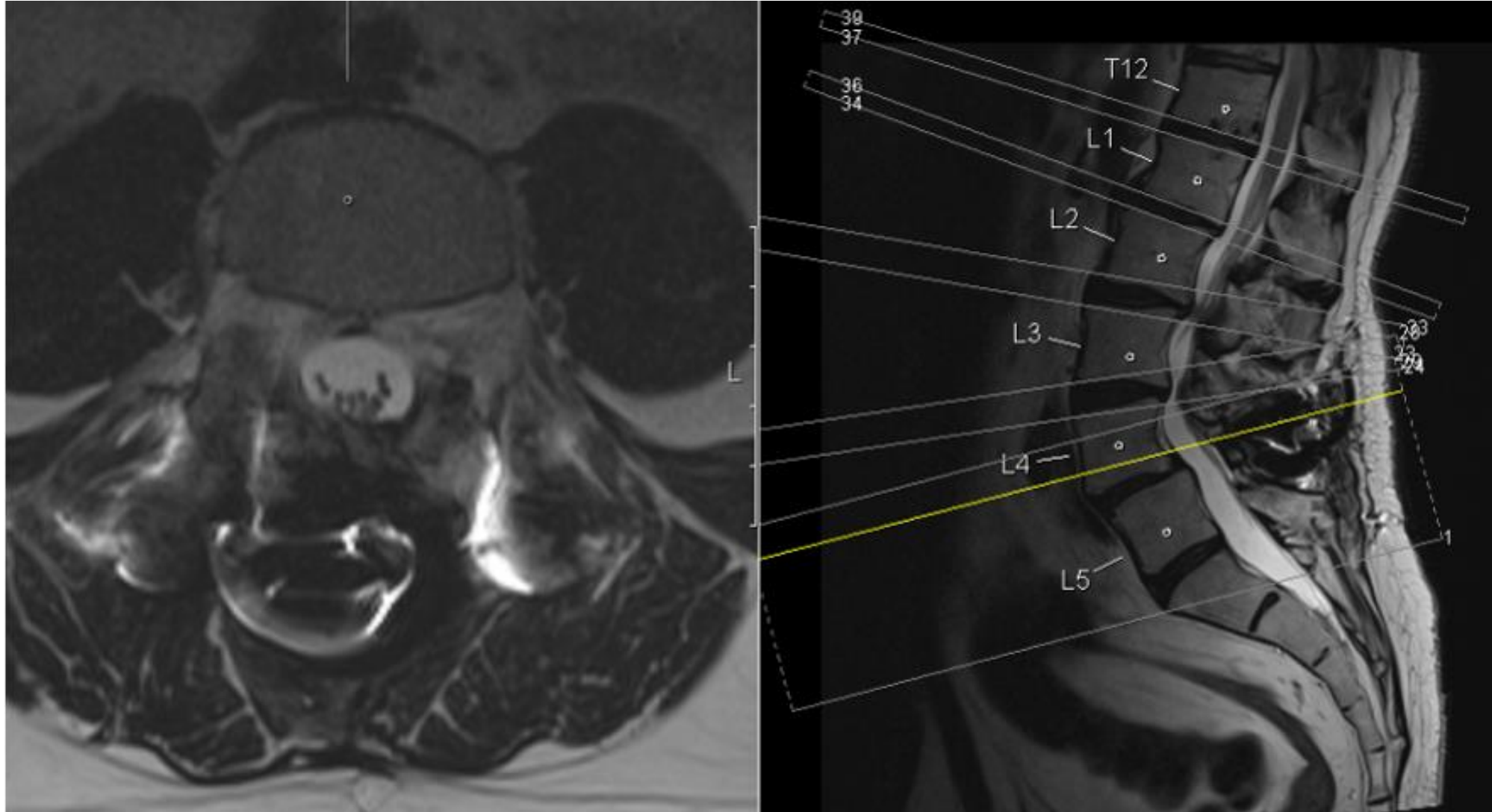
Time Period	ODI	VAS Left	VAS Right	VAS Back
Pre-Op	40	100	40	4
Post-op	30	9	0	0
6 weeks	24	0	0	8
3-months	10	0	0	0
6 months	10	0	0	9
12 months	0	0	0	0
24 months	0	0	0	0



After Seven Years



After Seven Years



Lumbar Facet Arthroplasty Versus Fusion for Grade-I Degenerative Spondylolisthesis with Stenosis

A Prospective Randomized Controlled Trial

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Background: The comparative effectiveness of decompression plus lumbar facet arthroplasty versus decompression plus instrumented lumbar spinal fusion in patients with lumbar spinal stenosis and grade-I degenerative spondylolisthesis is unknown.

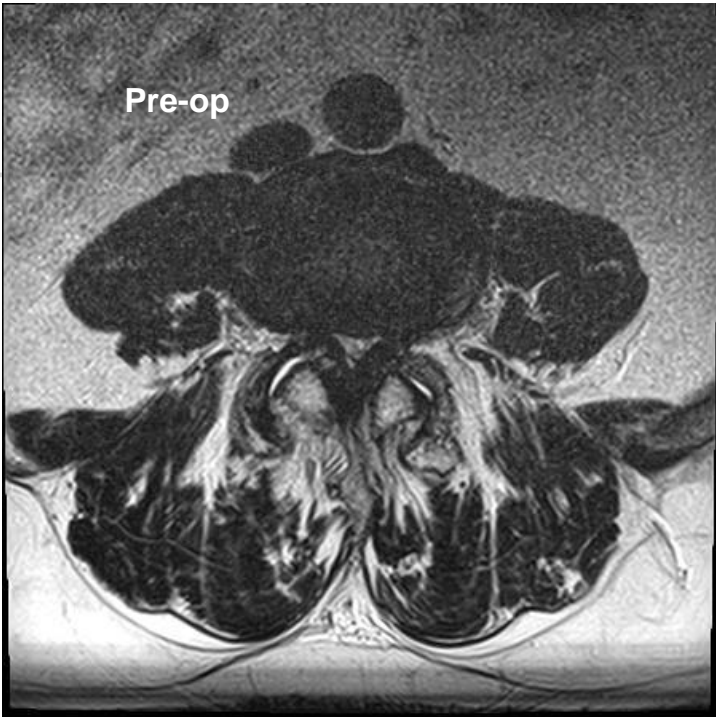
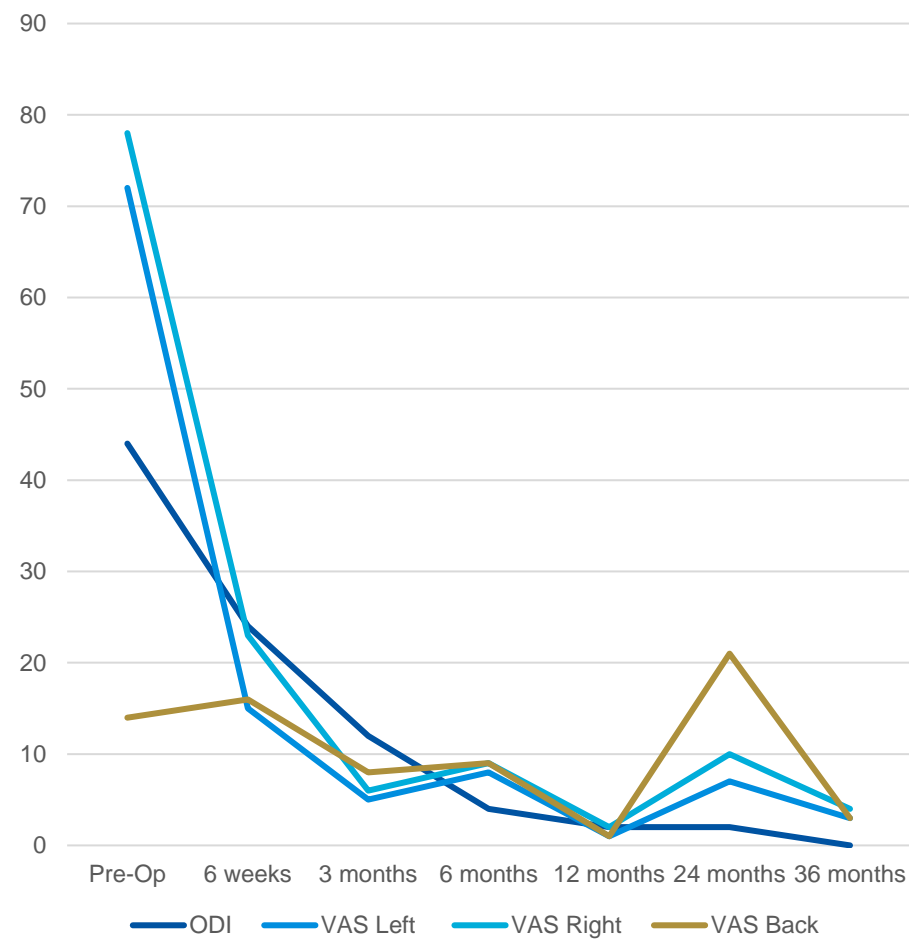
Methods: In this randomized, controlled, Food and Drug Administration Investigational Device Exemption trial, we assigned patients who had single-level lumbar spinal stenosis and grade-I degenerative spondylolisthesis to undergo decompression plus lumbar facet arthroplasty (arthroplasty group) or decompression plus fusion (fusion group). The primary outcome was a predetermined composite clinical success score. Secondary outcomes included the Oswestry Disability Index (ODI), visual analog scale (VAS) back and leg pain, Zurich Claudication Questionnaire (ZCQ), Short Form (SF)-12, radiographic parameters, surgical variables, and complications.

Results: A total of 321 adult patients were randomized in a 2:1 fashion, with 219 patients assigned to undergo facet arthroplasty and 102 patients assigned to undergo fusion. Of these, 113 patients (51.6%) in the arthroplasty group and 47 (46.1%) in the fusion group who had either reached 24 months of postoperative follow-up or were deemed early clinical failures were included in the primary outcome analysis. The arthroplasty group had a higher proportion of patients who achieved composite clinical success than did the fusion group (73.5% versus 25.5%; $p < 0.001$), equating to a between-group difference of 47.9% (95% confidence interval, 33.0% to 62.8%). The arthroplasty group outperformed the fusion group in most patient-reported outcome measures (including the ODI, VAS back pain, and all ZCQ component scores) at 24 months postoperatively. There were no significant differences between groups in surgical variables or complications, except that the fusion group had a higher rate of developing symptomatic adjacent segment degeneration.

Case Study from IDE

- 74 y/o male (BMI 31.5)
- Single level mod/sev stenosis at L4/5 with Grade I spondylolisthesis
- Complete L4 laminectomy with complete L4/5 bilateral facetectomies

Patient Reported Outcomes

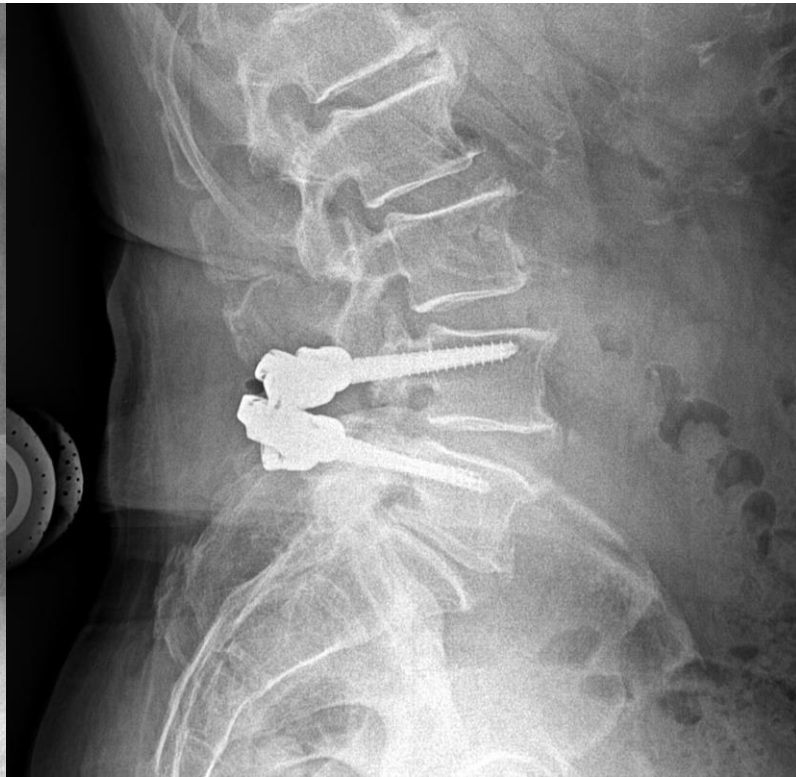


Case Study from IDE

AP



Neutral



Flexion



Extension

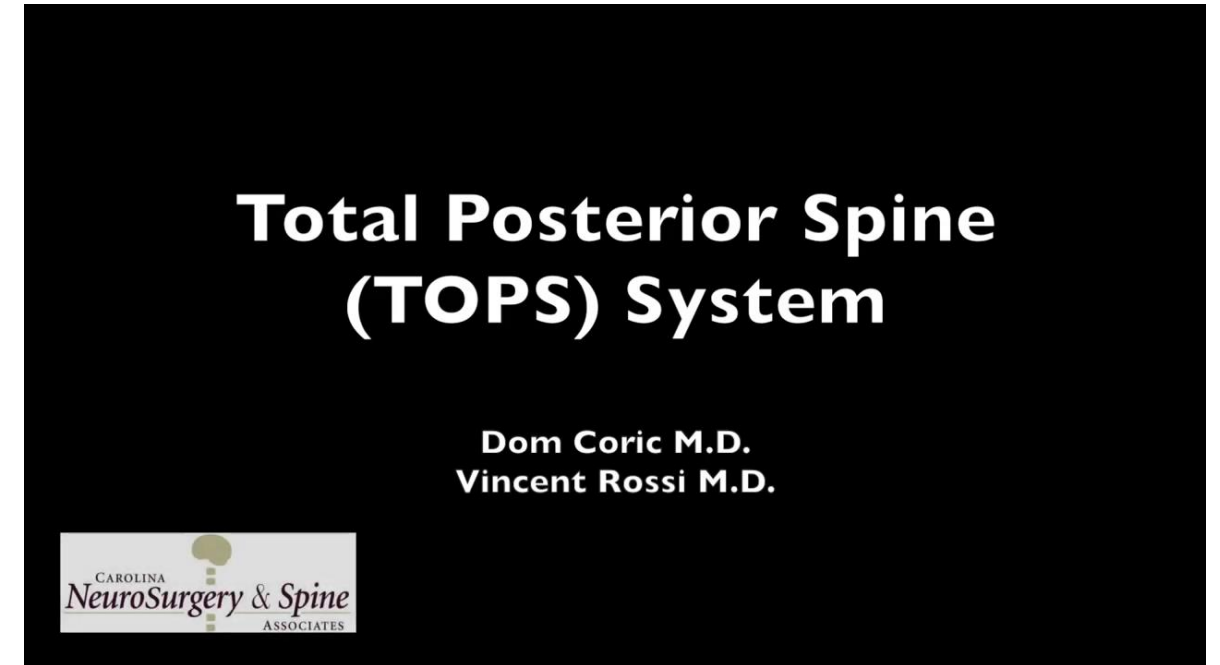
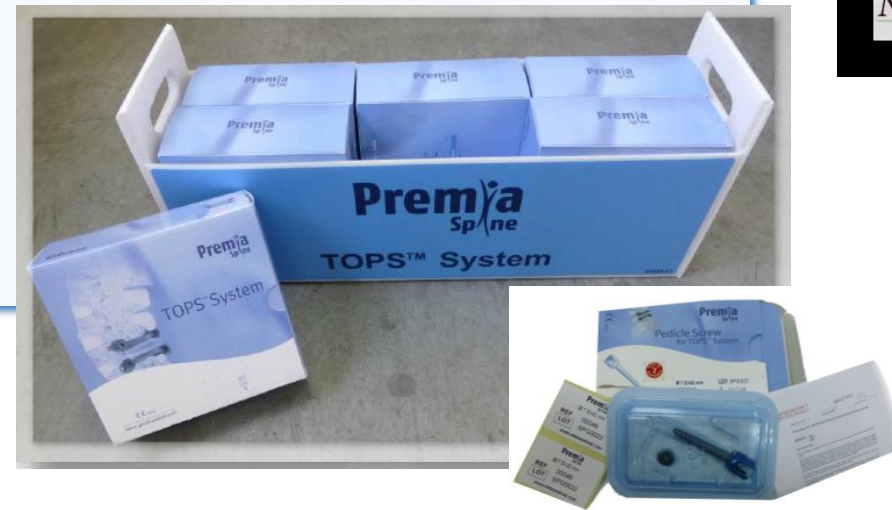


Radiographic Measurements – Treated Level

	Angular Motion (FlexEx)	Translational Motion (FlexEx)	Angular Motion (Lateral Bend)	Average Disc Height
Pre-Op	3.0	0.4	9.5	11.3
12 months	5.1	0.8	7.8	N/A
24 months	5.4	0.8	2.6	12.0

TOPS is a compelling & simple add-on procedure for surgeons

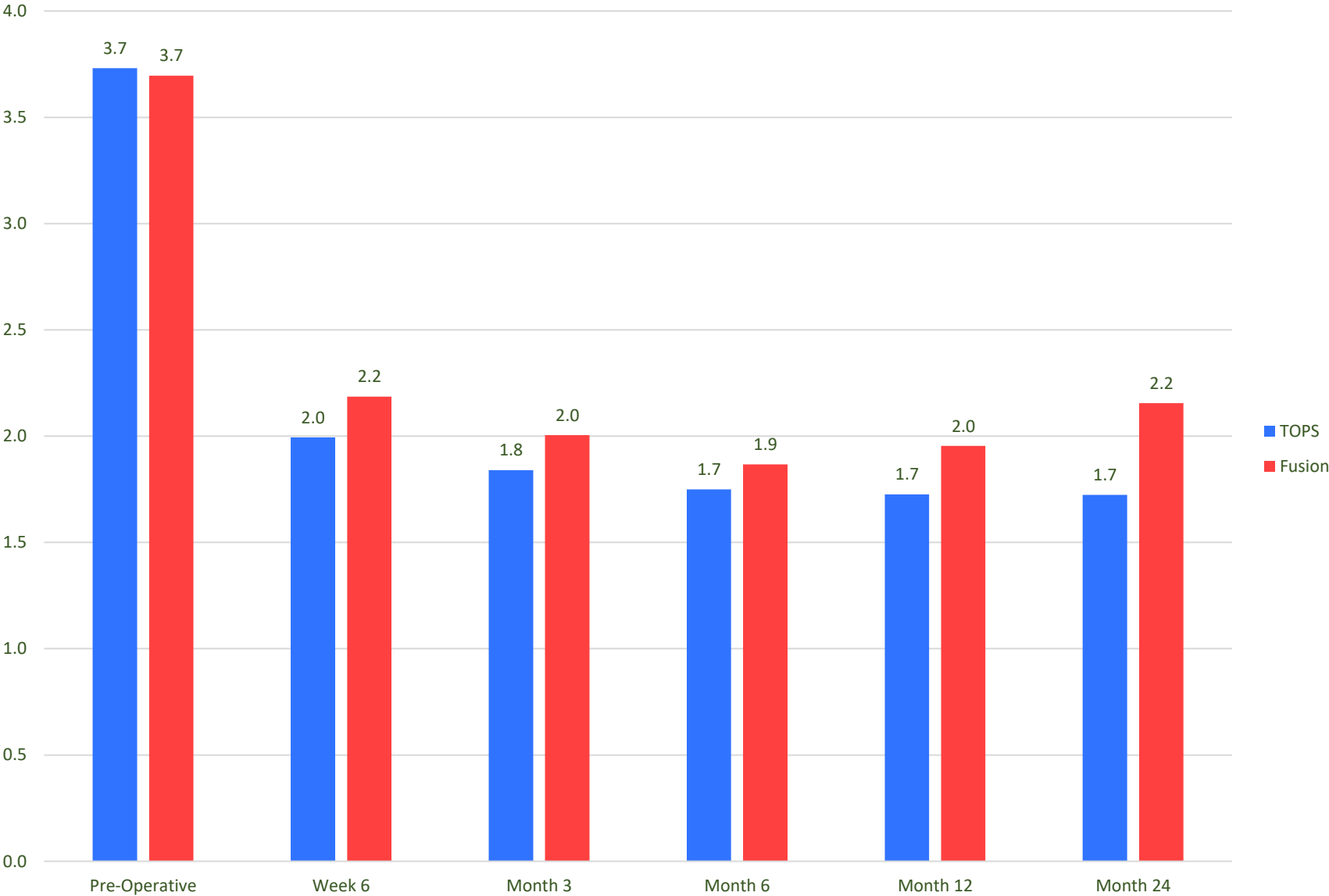
- ✓ Clinically effective, reliable, and innovative procedure
- ✓ **No learning curve – same technique as TLIF but without the cage**
- ✓ **On-label, navigation compatible**
- ✓ Single-pan instrumentation
- ✓ **All sterile implants**
- ✓ Easy to revise



An attractive, differentiated solution for your surgeons

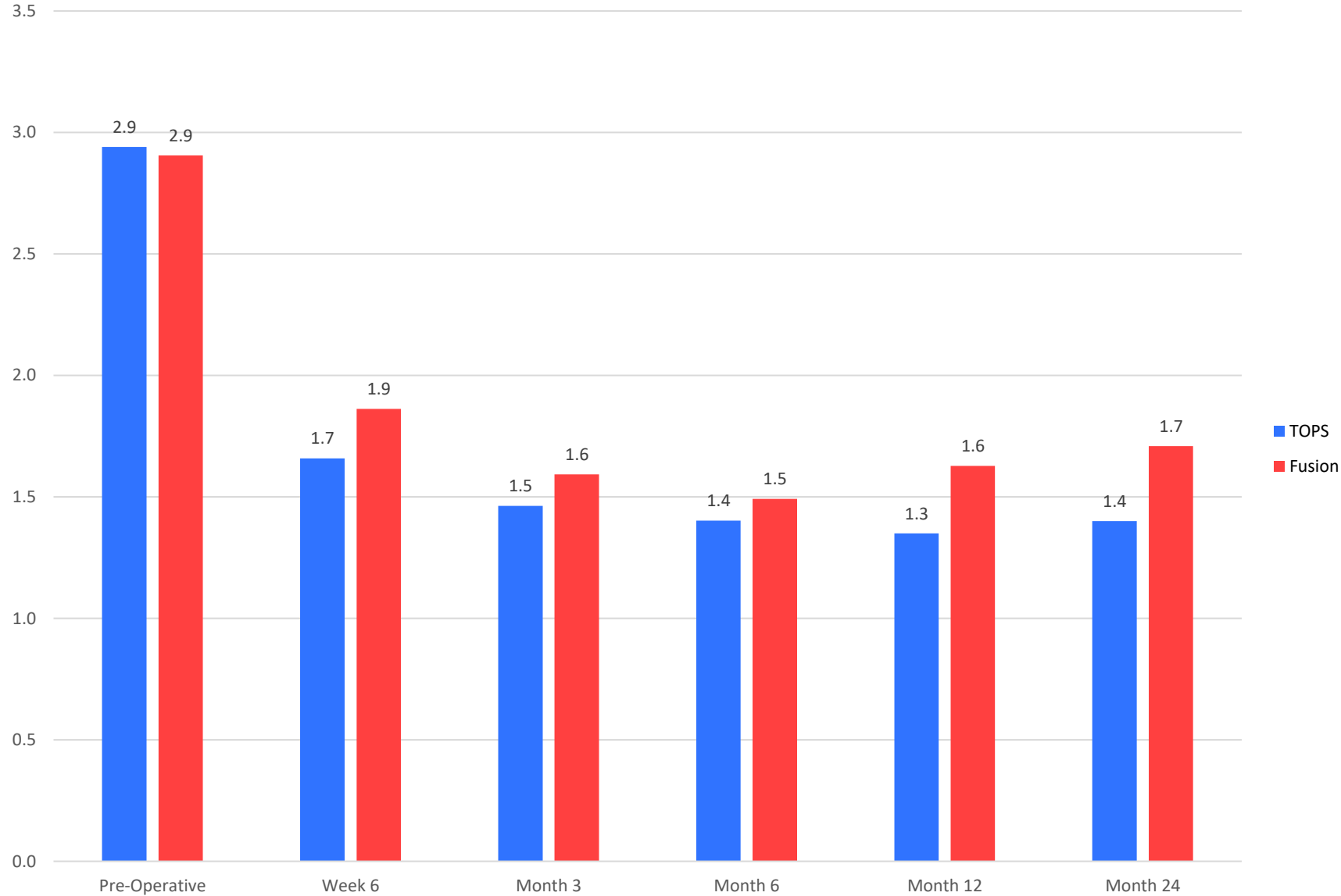
Zurich Claudication Questionnaire – Symptom Severity

Patient
Reported
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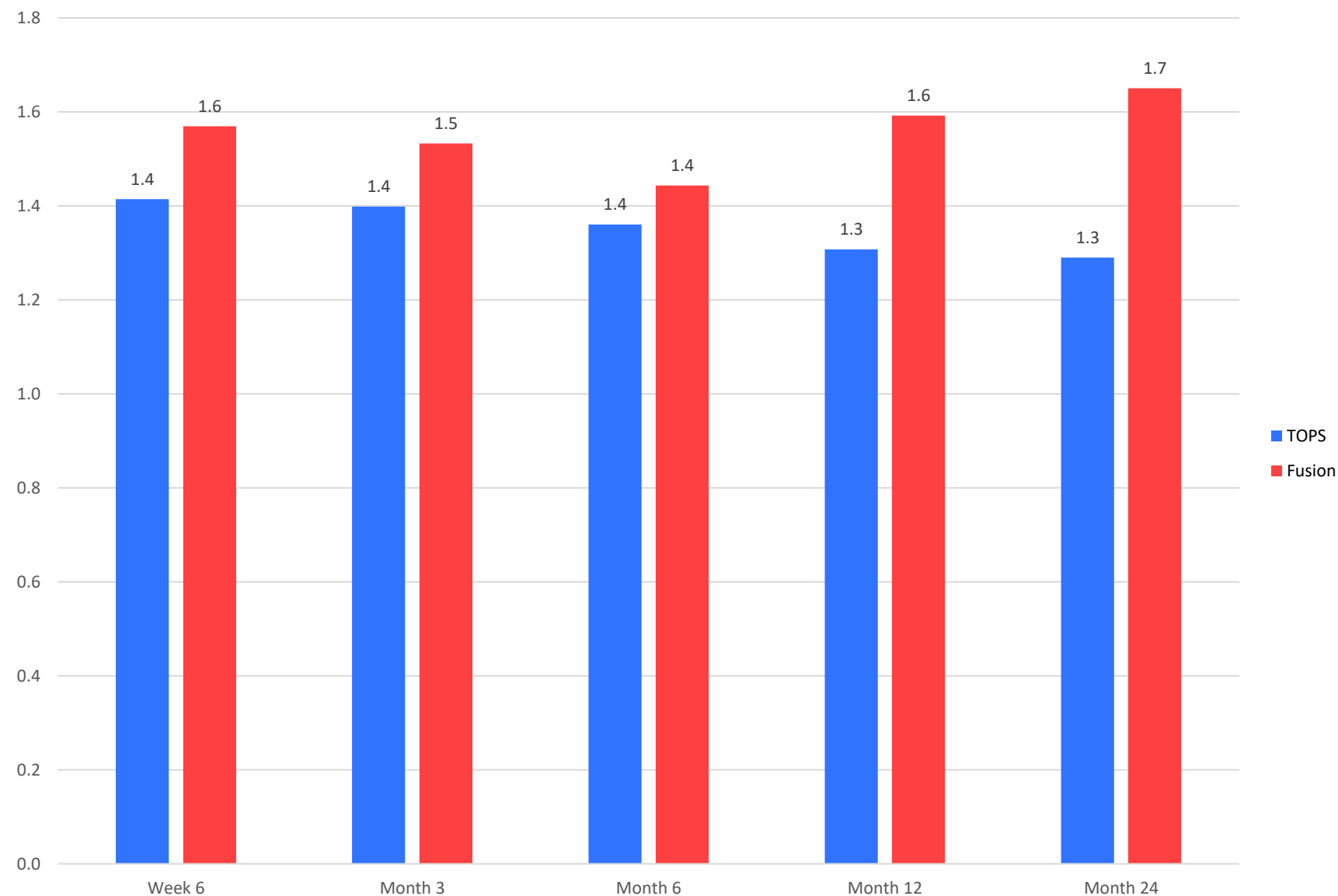
Zurich Claudication Questionnaire – Physical Function

Patient Reported Outcomes



Patient Reported Outcomes

Zurich Claudication Questionnaire – Patient Satisfaction

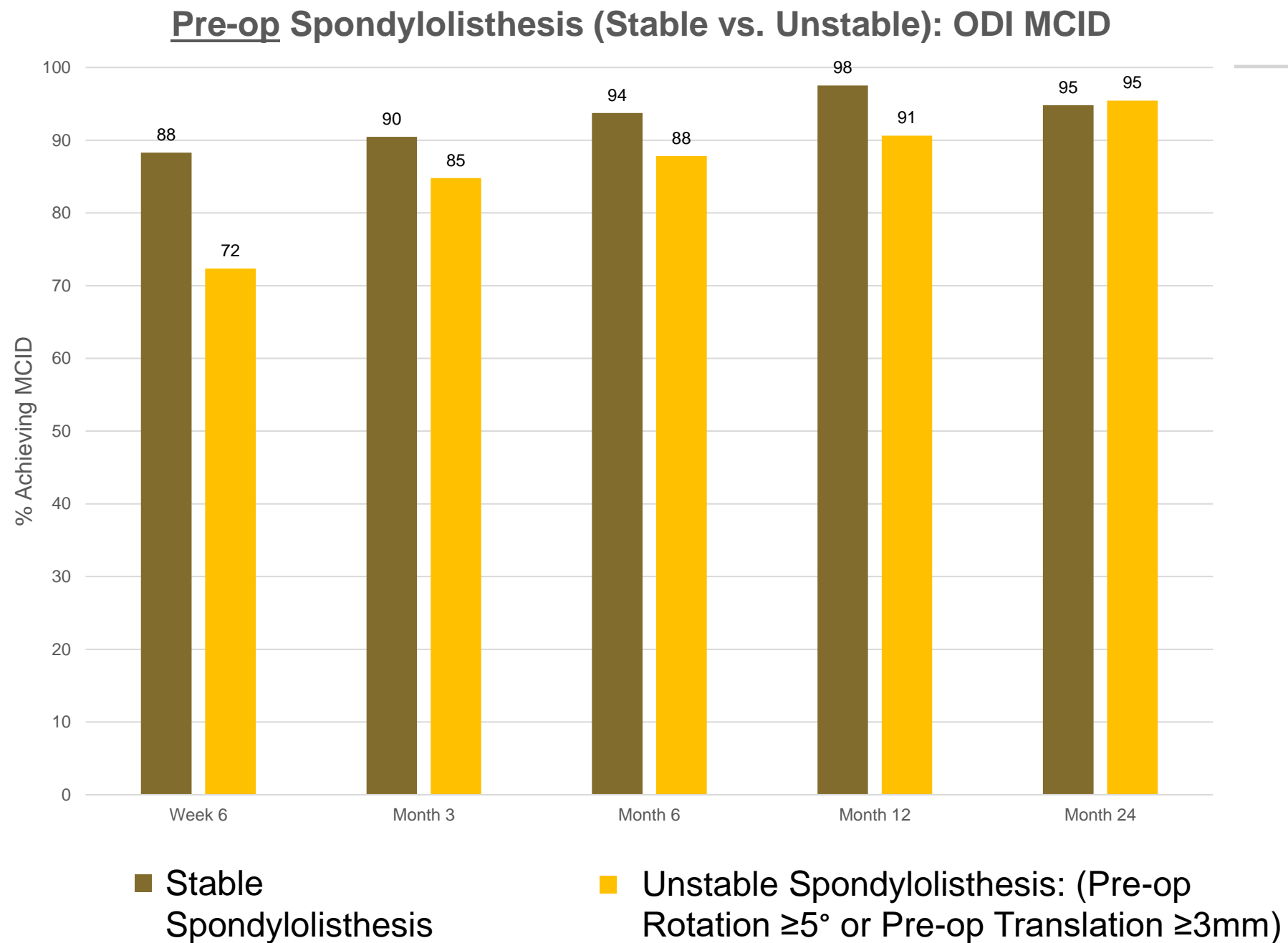


1st TOPS Case vs. All Subsequent TOPS Cases *Learning Curve Analysis*

Month 24 Composite Clinical Success Among TOPS Treated Subjects Comparing the 1st TOPS Case (by site) vs Subsequent TOPS cases

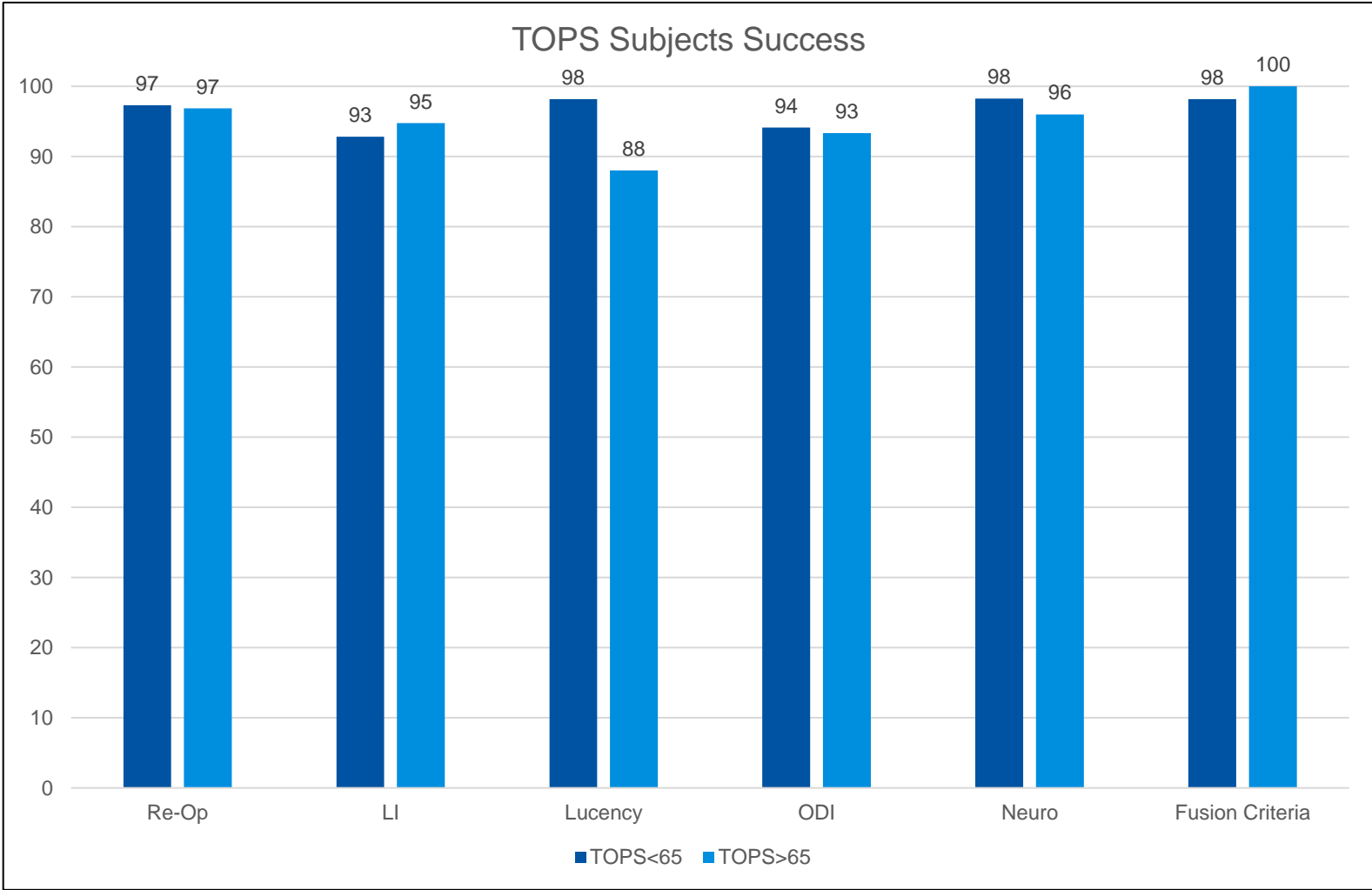
Success Variable	1st TOPS Case % Success	2nd+ TOPS Case % Success	Δ	p-value
No SSI or LI	89	93		
No Major Device Adverse Event	94	93		
ODI Reduction of ≥ 15 Points	96	93		
No New or Worsening Neurological Deficit	94	99		
No Fusion Status Failure	100	99		
Overall Composite Clinical Success	70	75	-5	1.00

ODI MCID: Stable pre-op spondy vs. unstable pre-op spondy



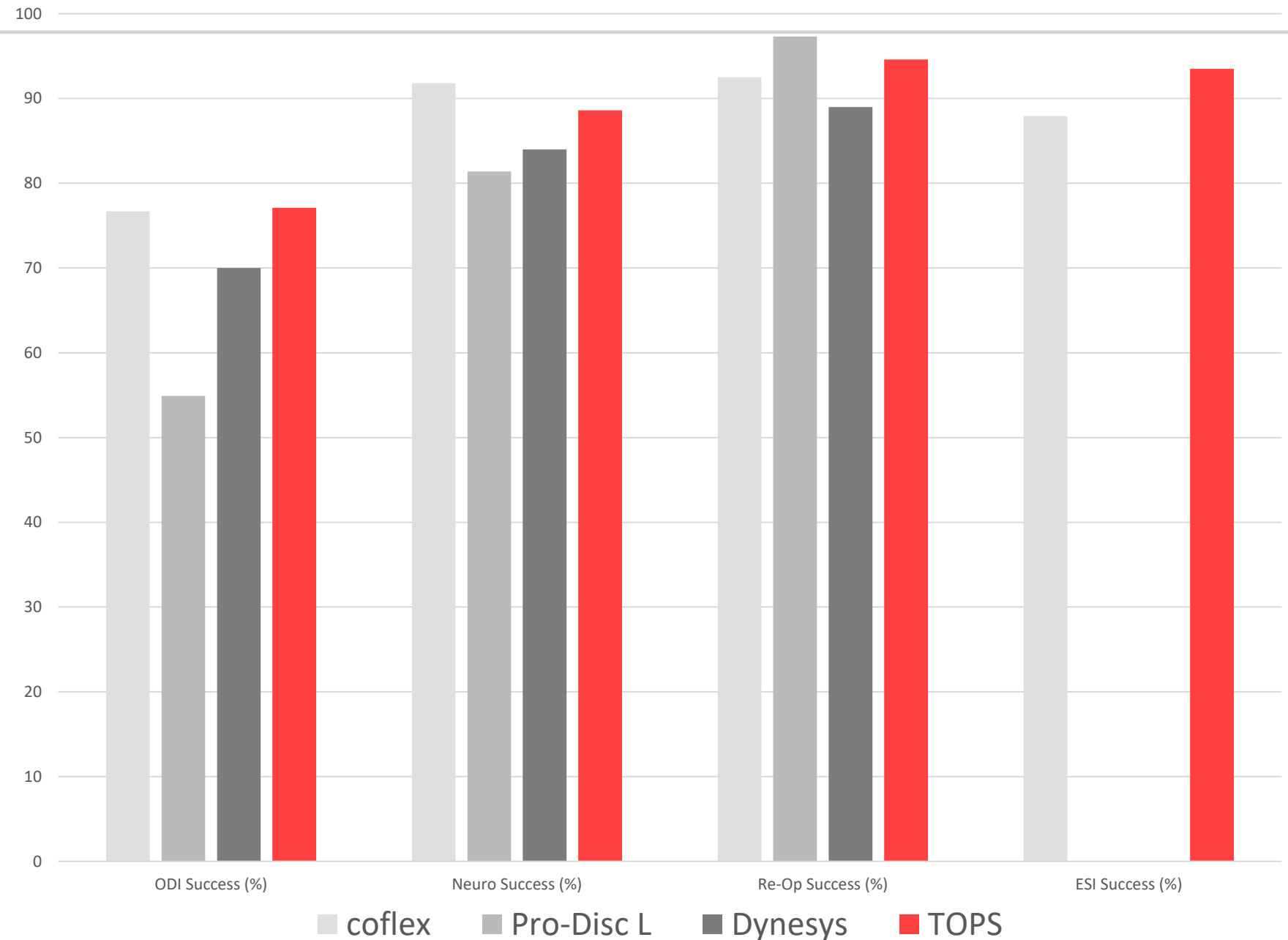
Age-stratified Outcomes

Primary Endpoint Outcomes: Percent Success at Two-Years Post-Op



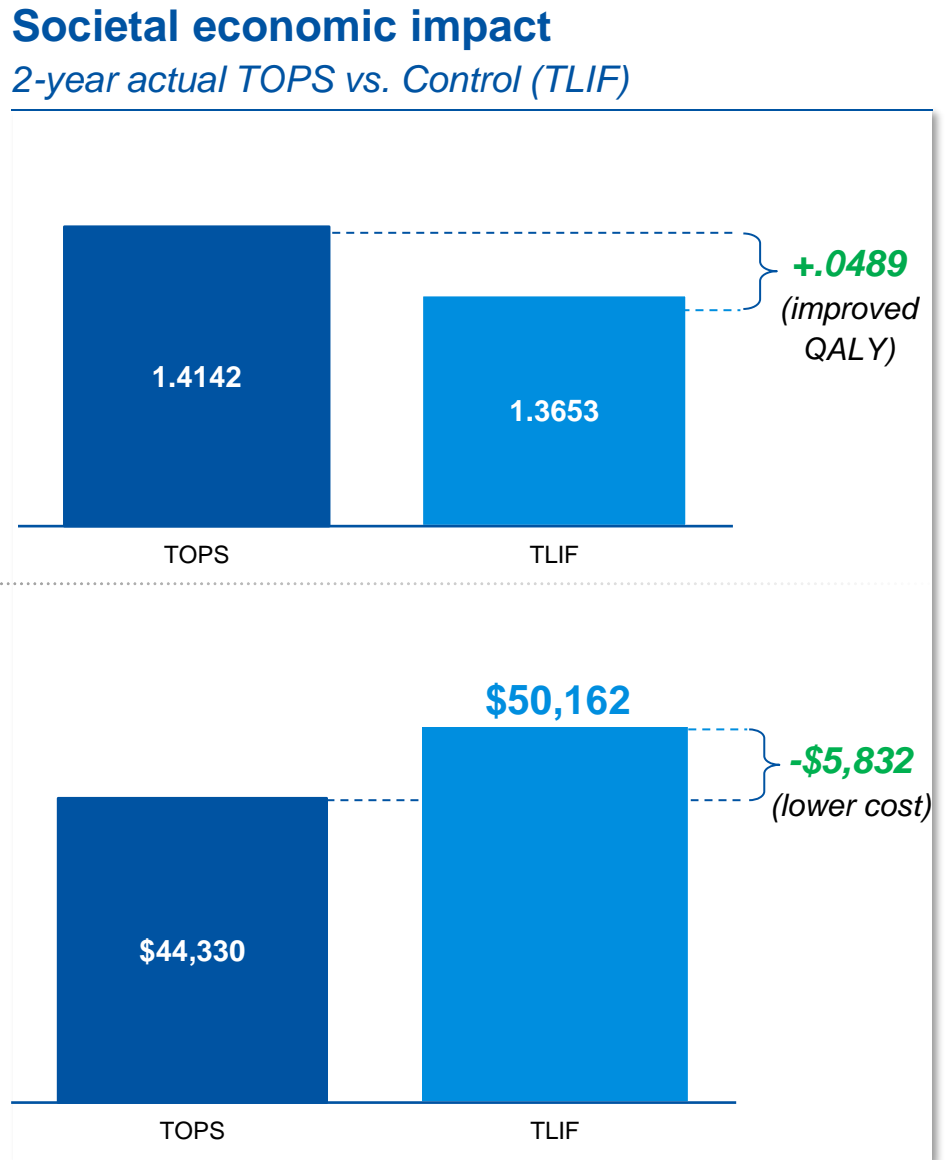
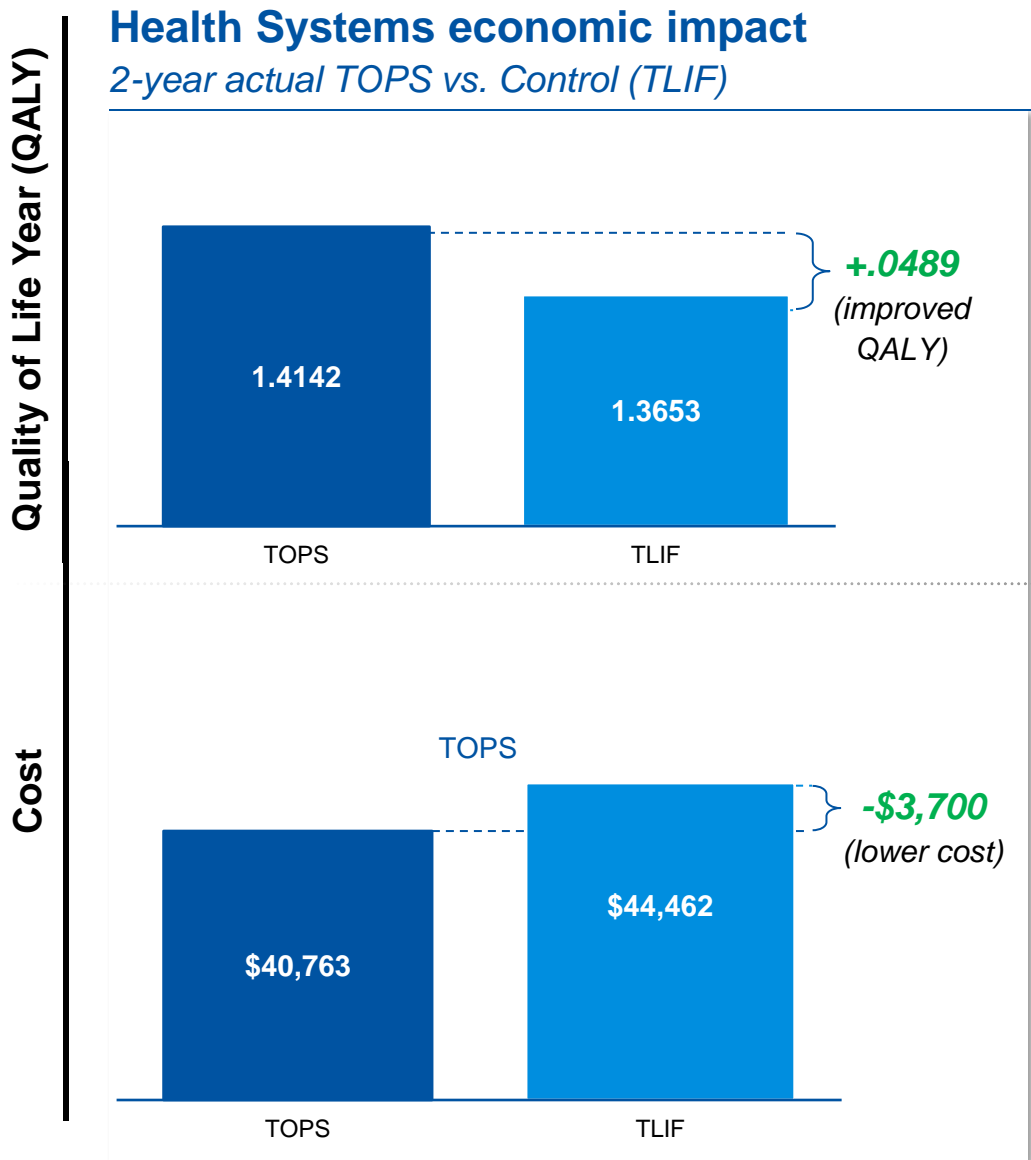
Fusion Control in TOPS study versus other IDE fusion controls

Fusion Controls in Each Study (% Success @ 24 Months)



TOPS save payors \$3,700 within 2 years. Gap grows bigger thereafter

TOPS data shows 2-year economic benefit to health systems and significant value to society vs. fusion

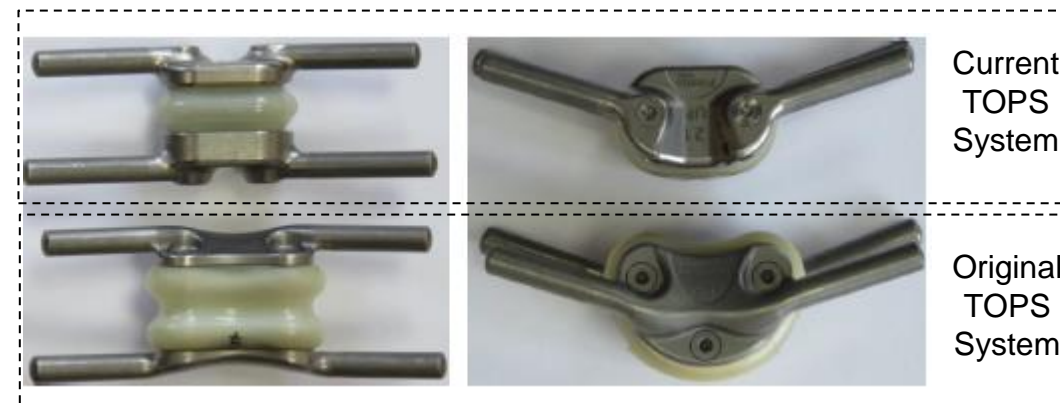


✓ **Dominant outcome for health systems, society and payers with improved quality of life at lower economic cost**

TOPS System

History

- Original device conceived (2003)
- First implantations: Brazil, 2005; Israel, 2006; USA, 2007
- Re-designed the implant after acquisition (2011)
 - 30% smaller than the original device
 - Simplified surgical technique
- Launched the device commercially in Europe (2012)
- Initiated new FDA study (2017)
- FDA approval (2023)



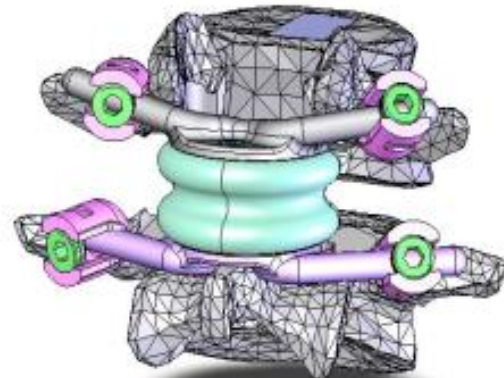
TOPS Screw-to-Bone Interface

- TOPS = worldwide screw loosening rate < 1% with 18 years of clinical usage (n>7,000 screws)
- TOPS = benefits from unique surface treated screw and crossbar design
- Screw threads undergo patented surface treatment which includes blasting with calcium phosphate particles to roughen screw's surface
 - Screw pull out force is 2.32 times greater than standard polished screws
- Device's two crossbars connect two pedicle screws of the same vertebra
 - Prevents screw micro-motions
 - Minimizes risk of screw loosening

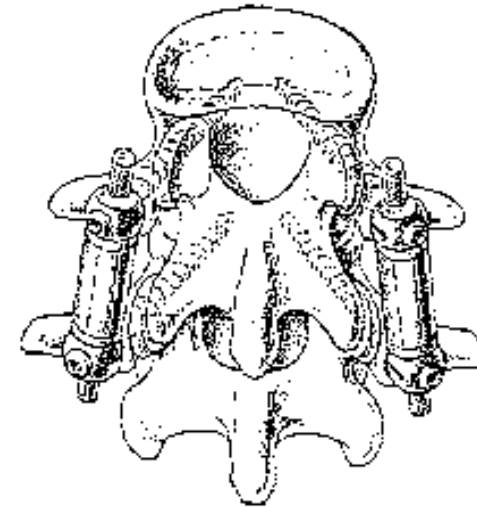


TOPS Screw-to-Bone Interface

TOPS™ connects to pedicle screws of the **SAME** vertebra



DYNESYS™ connects to pedicle screws of two **DIFFERENT** vertebra

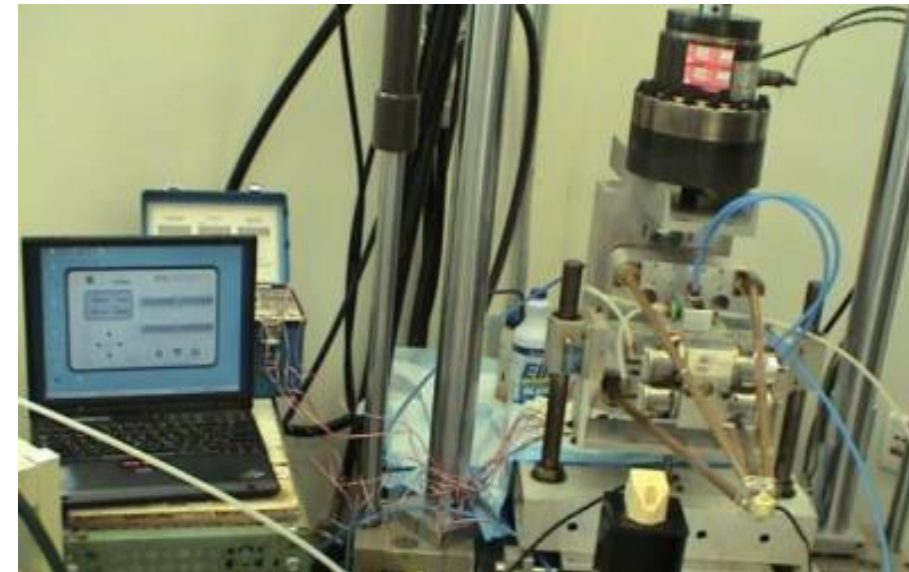


- Rotational torque load at the screw-bone interface is much less with the TOPS cross- bar concept
- The most problematic load, in terms of screw loosening, is rotation of the screw. This is prevented by TOPS design

TOPS Screw-to-Bone Interface

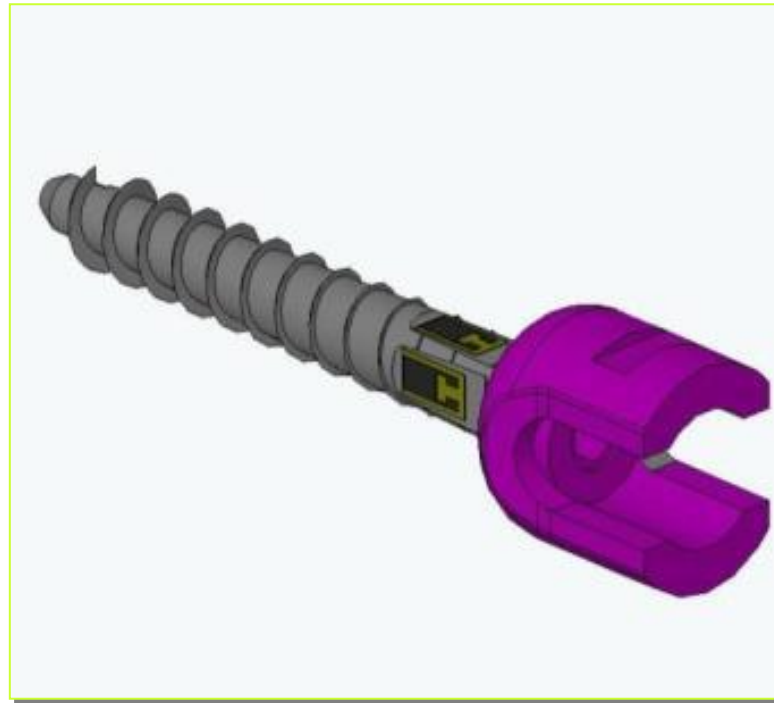
What are the comparative loads on the pedicle screws between the TOPS™ System and the Dynesys™?

Does the TOPS™ System design lend itself to load sharing among all four screws?



TOPS Screw-to-Bone Interface

Pedicle screw and strain gauge assembly

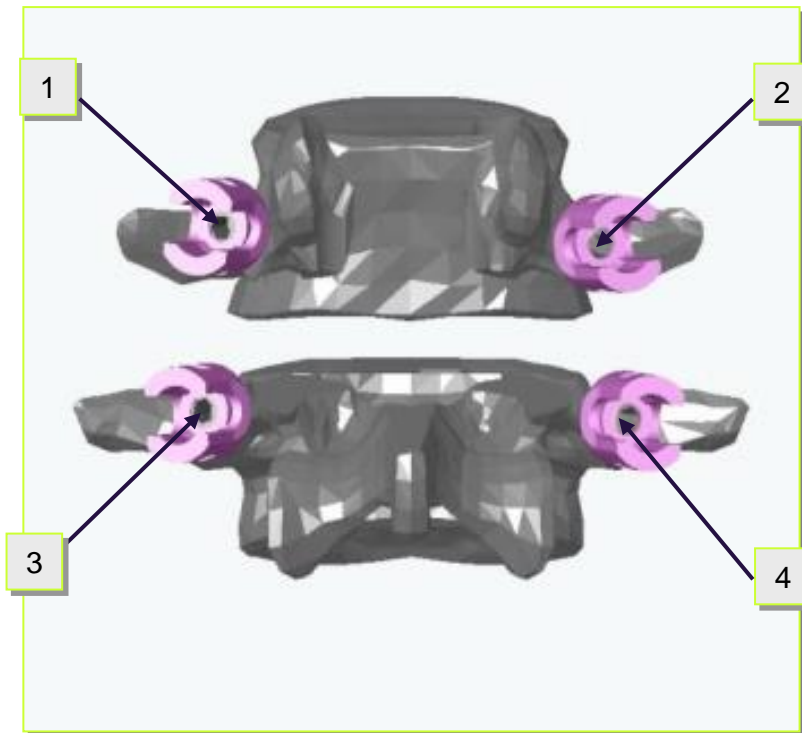


Pedicle screw: Ø6.5x45 mm, with four grinded surfaces for strain gauge bonding.

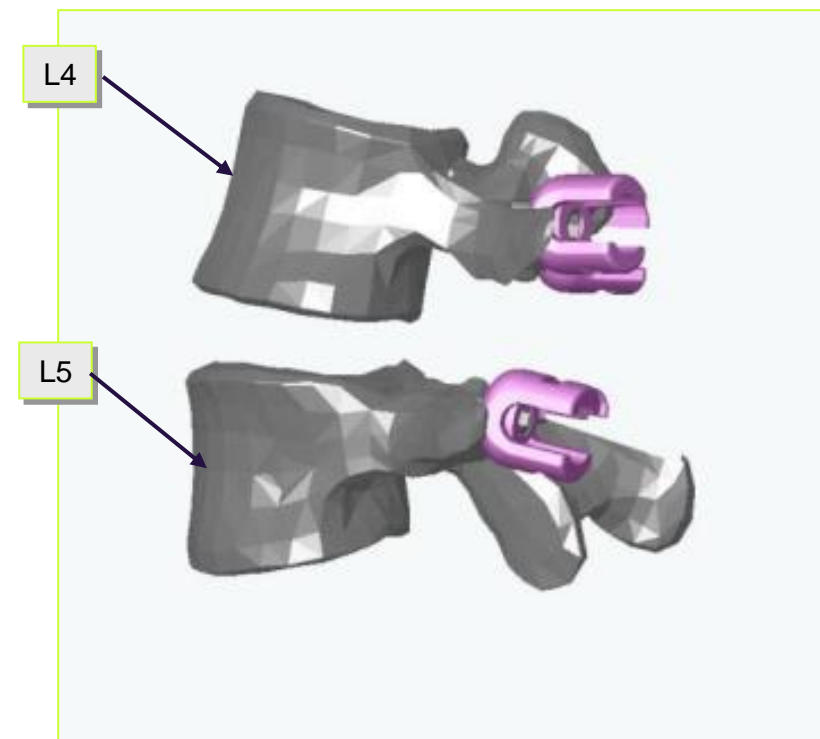
Strain gauge: Vishay 125BZ

TOPS Screw-to-Bone Interface

System Layout



Posterior view

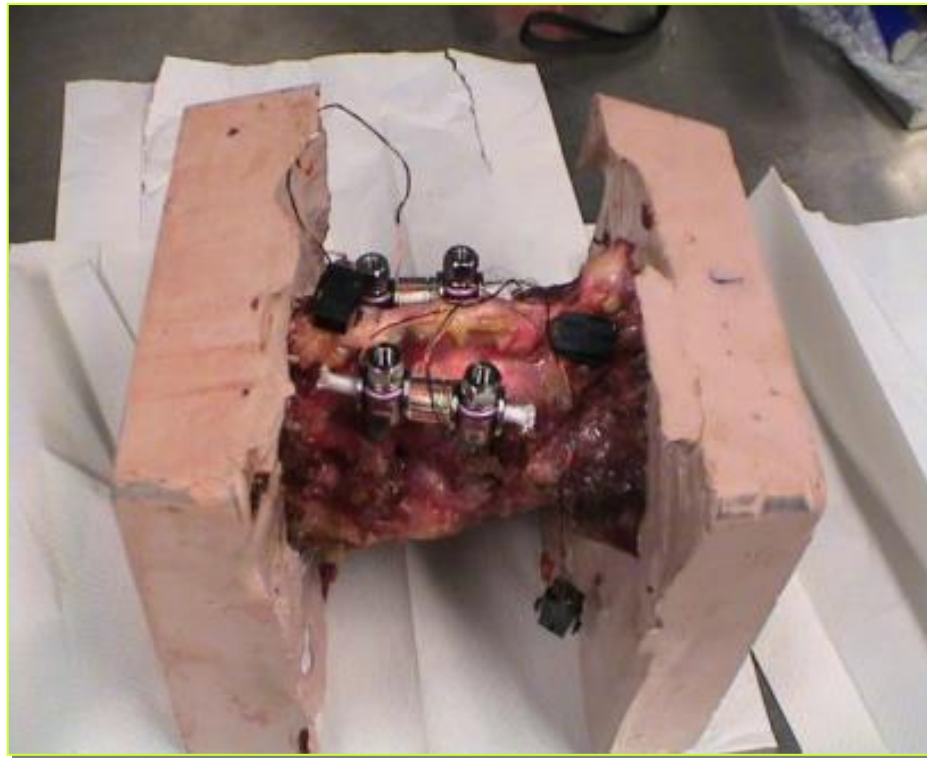


Lateral view

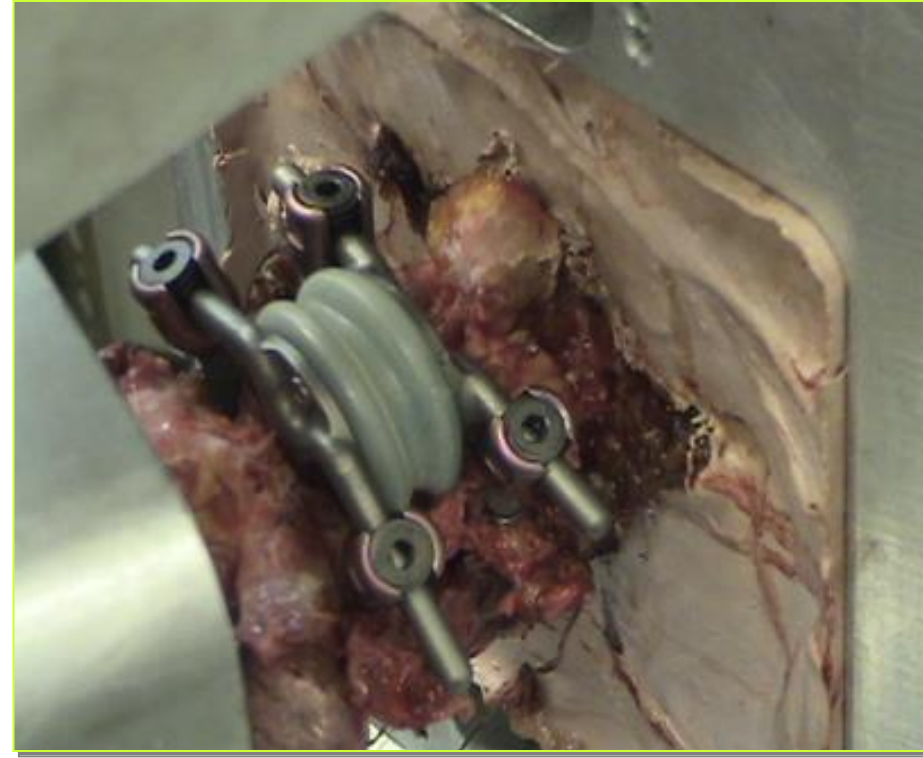
Source: Professor Tim Wright, Hospital for Special Surgery, Biomechanical Laboratory. Pure moments applied ($\pm 10\text{Nm}$) with preload (630 N) for flexion, extension, and right and left lateral bending. Insertion of pedicle screws. Placement of Dynesys according to its IFU and measurements. Laminectomy and facetectomy and then insertion of TOPS System and measurements.

TOPS Screw-to-Bone Interface

Cadaver setup

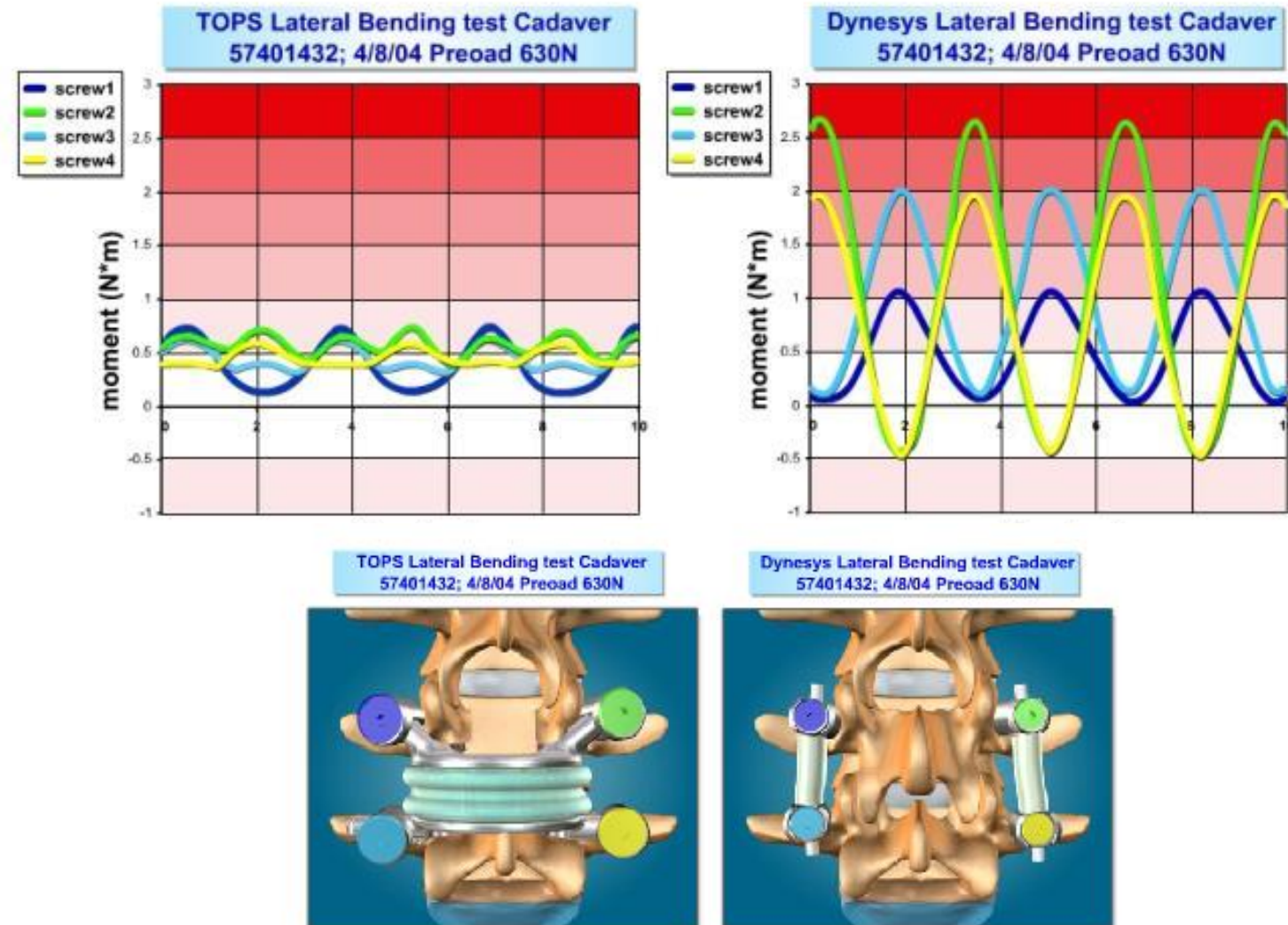


Dynesys™ System



TOPS™ System

TOPS Screw-to-Bone Interface



HSS Study Conclusions

Moment on the screw heads is significantly lower with the TOPS™ System than with the Dynesys™ System

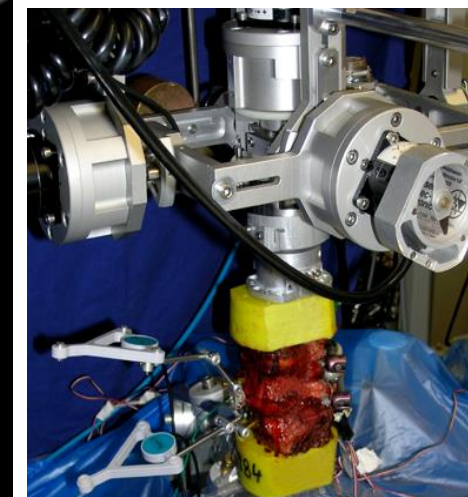
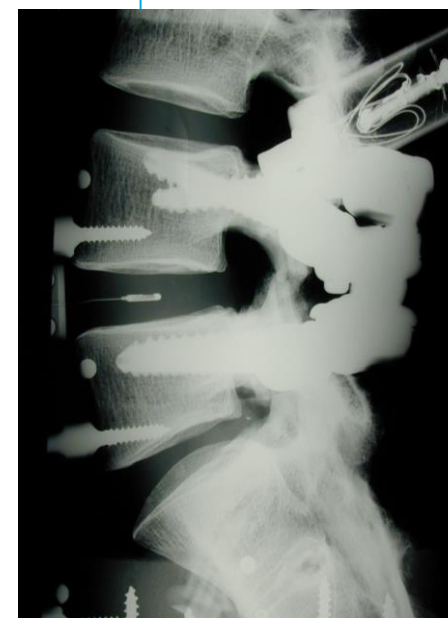
- **36% lower in flexion-extension**
- **46% lower in lateral bending**

TOPS™ System demonstrates better ROM than the Dynesys™ System

K. Meyers, T. Wright et al Spine Journal 8 pp. 926-932
2008

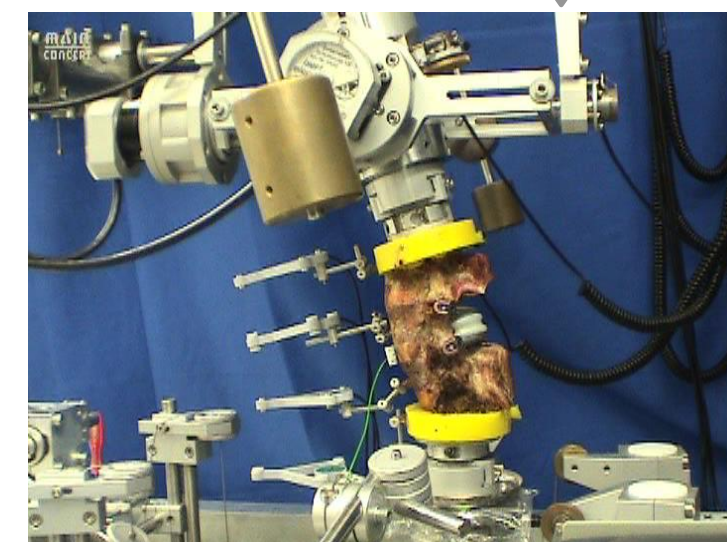
TOPS—ROM TESTS

- Pure moments ± 7.5 Nm
 - Flexion / extension
 - Lateral bending right / left
 - Axial rotation left / right
- ROM, NZ from 3rd cycle
- Without preload
 - Measurement of the intradiscal pressure
 - ROM in axial rotation as a function in different flexion/extension postures: 2° / NP / -1° / -2° / -3° / -4°

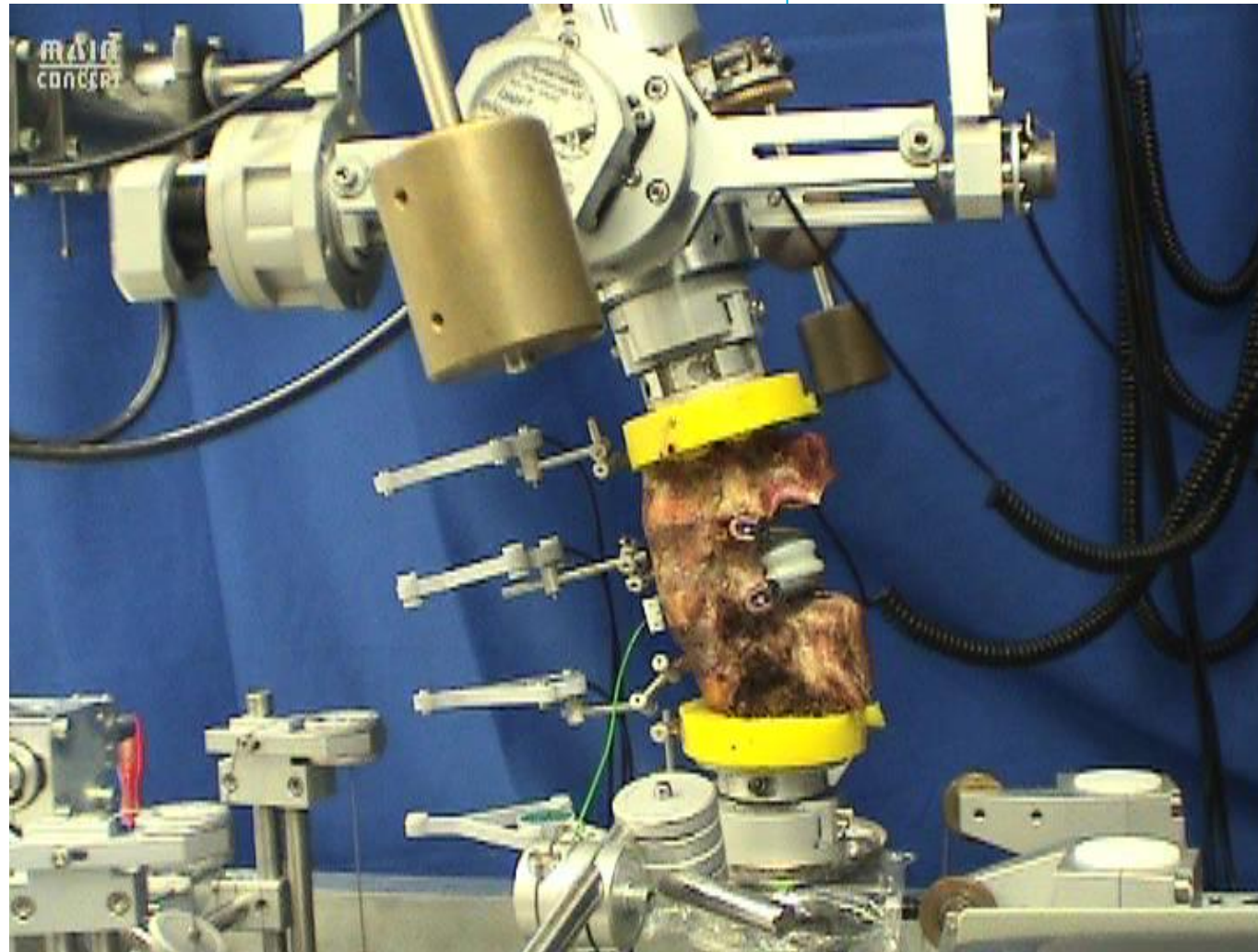


Intradiscal Pressure Sensor

Zebris Motion Analysis System

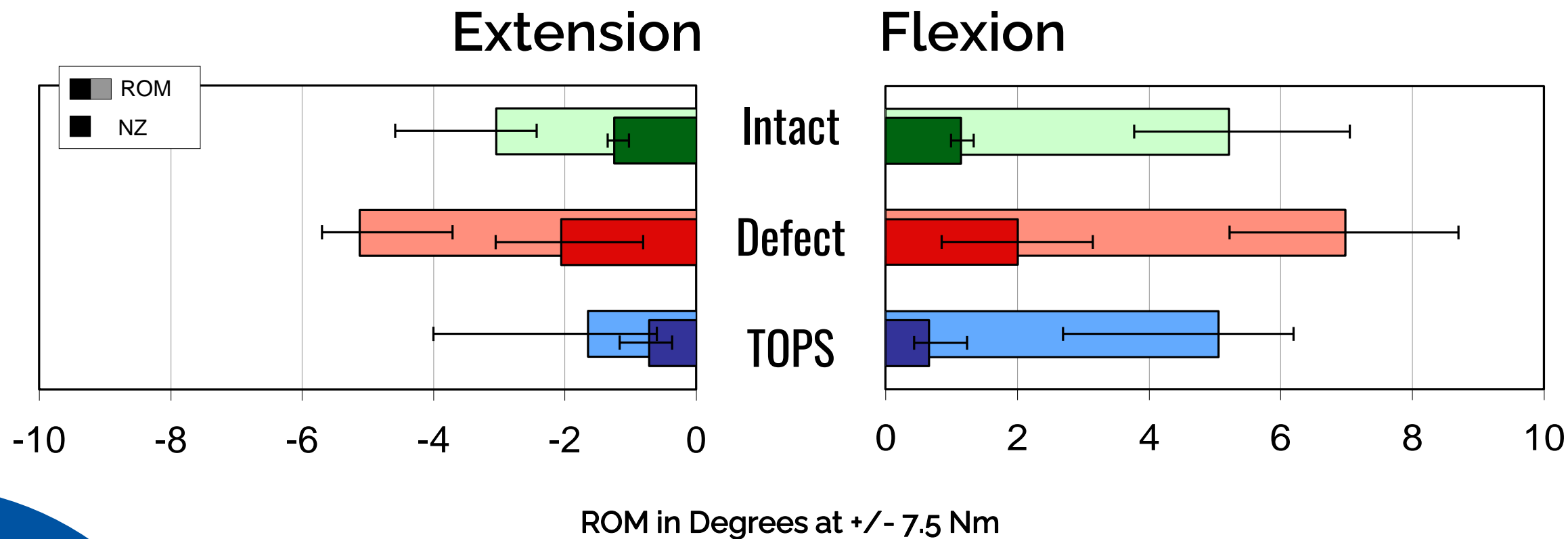


TOPS—ROM TESTS



TOPS—ROM RESULTS

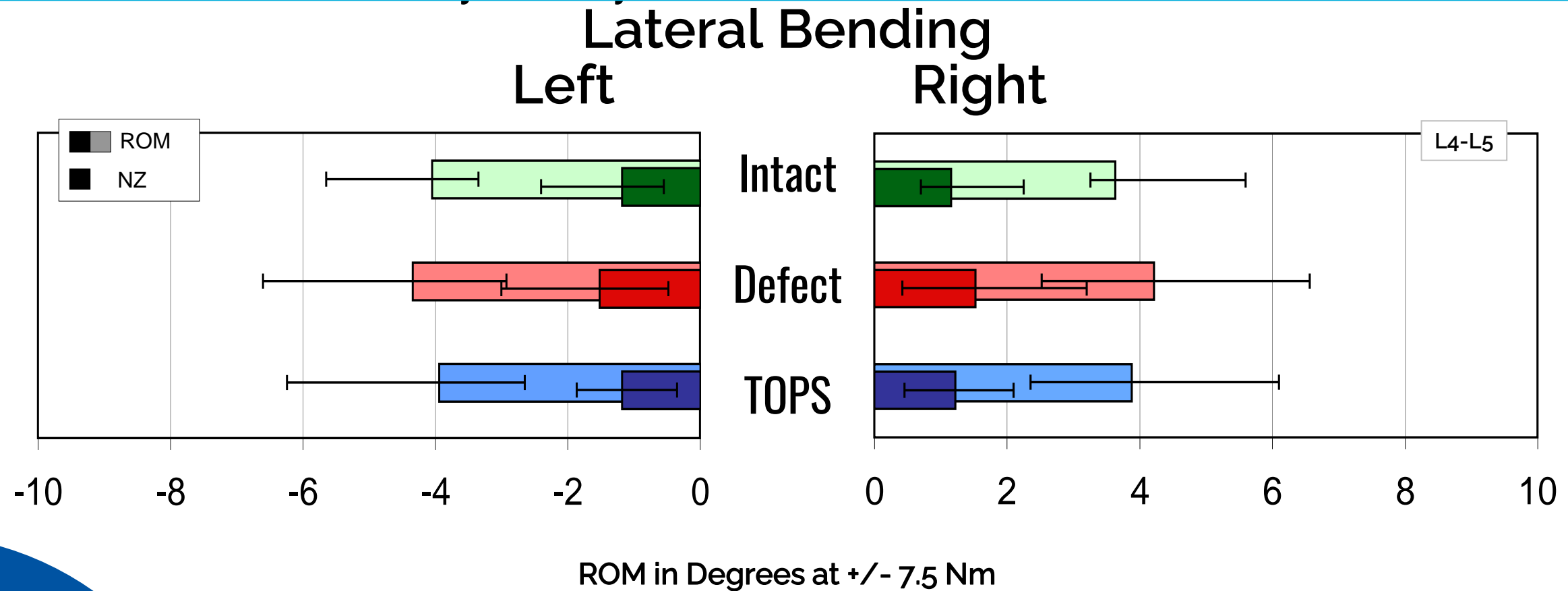
ROM – Primary Stability



* : $p < 0.05$, Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test

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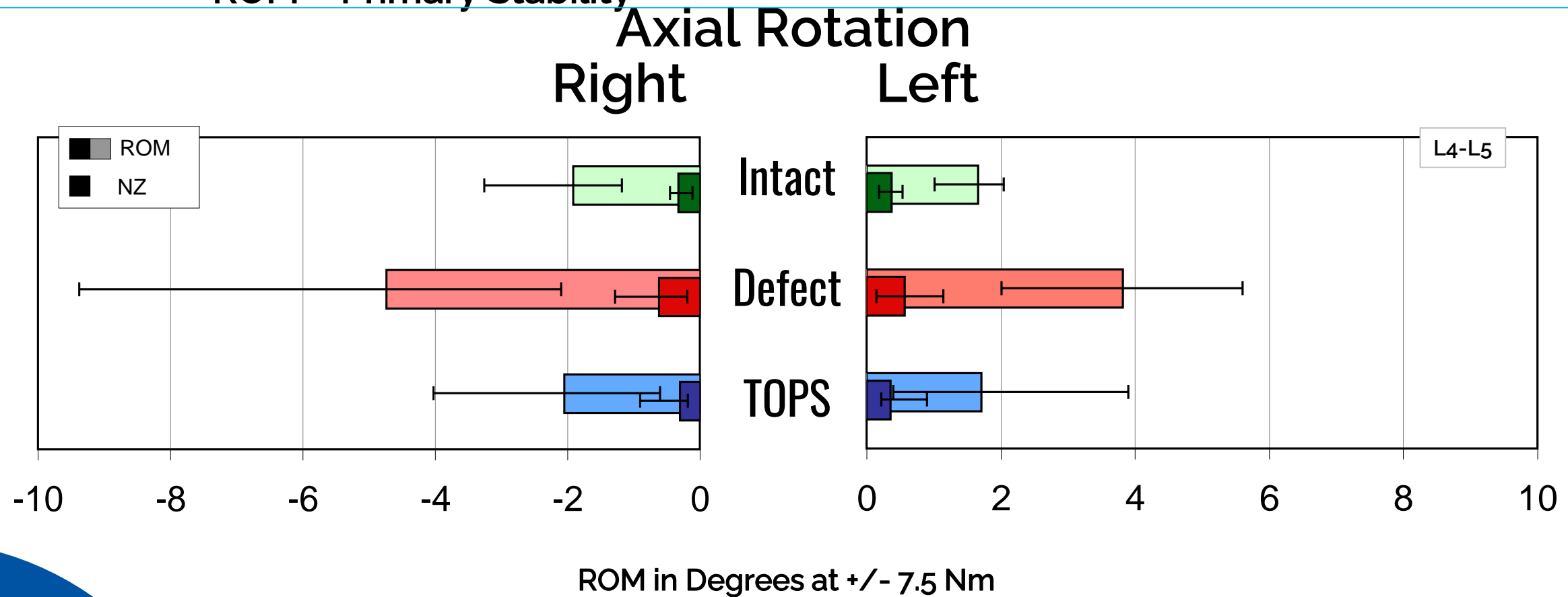
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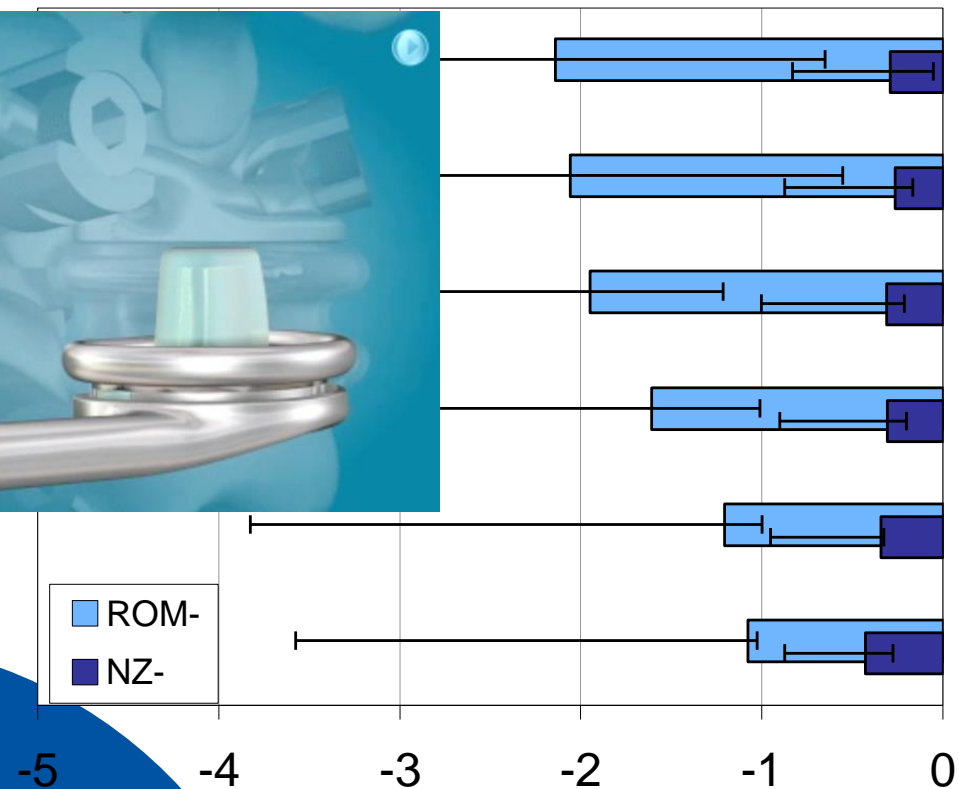
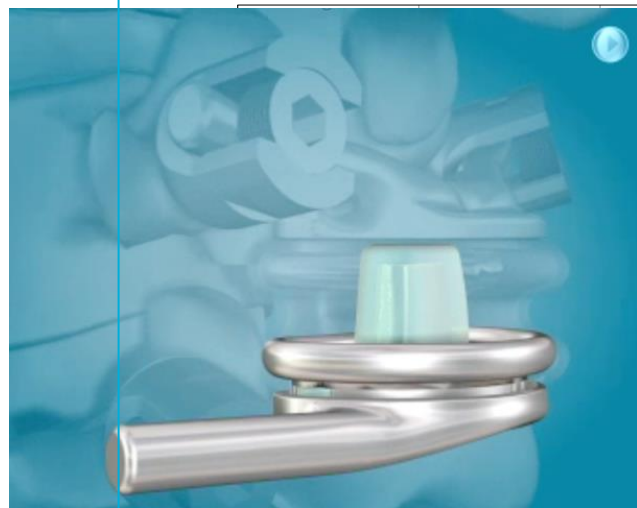
TOPS—ROM RESULTS

ROM – as a function of different flexion/extension postures

Axial Rotation

Right

Left



Flexion 2
n=6

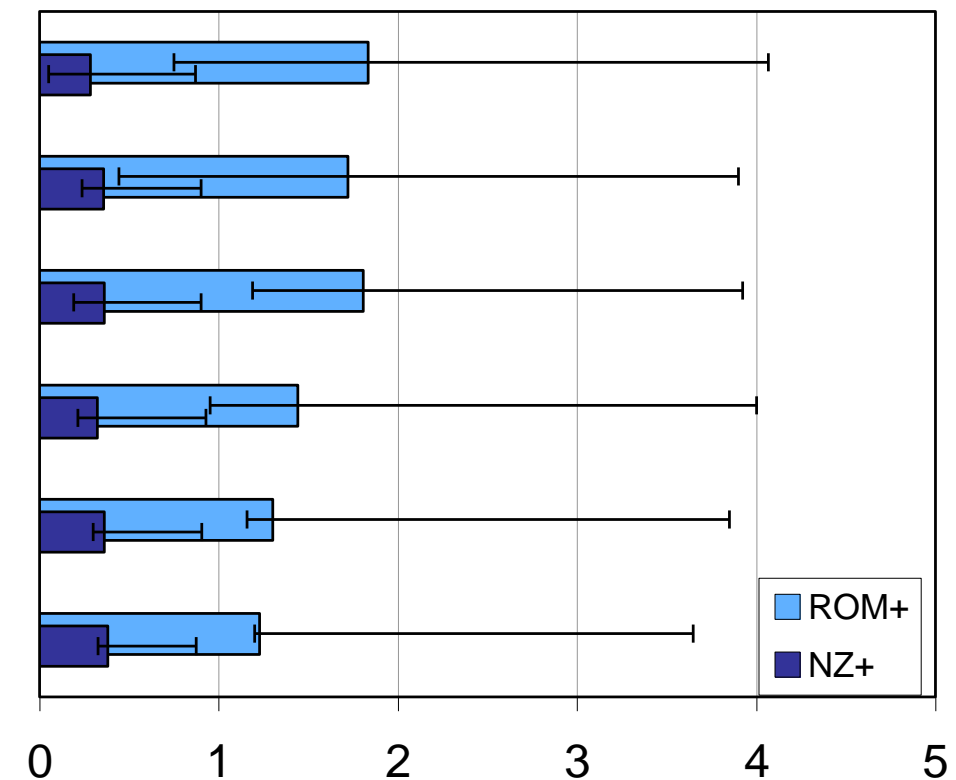
Neutral position
n=6

Extension 1°
n=4

Extension 2°
n=6

Extension 3°
n=3

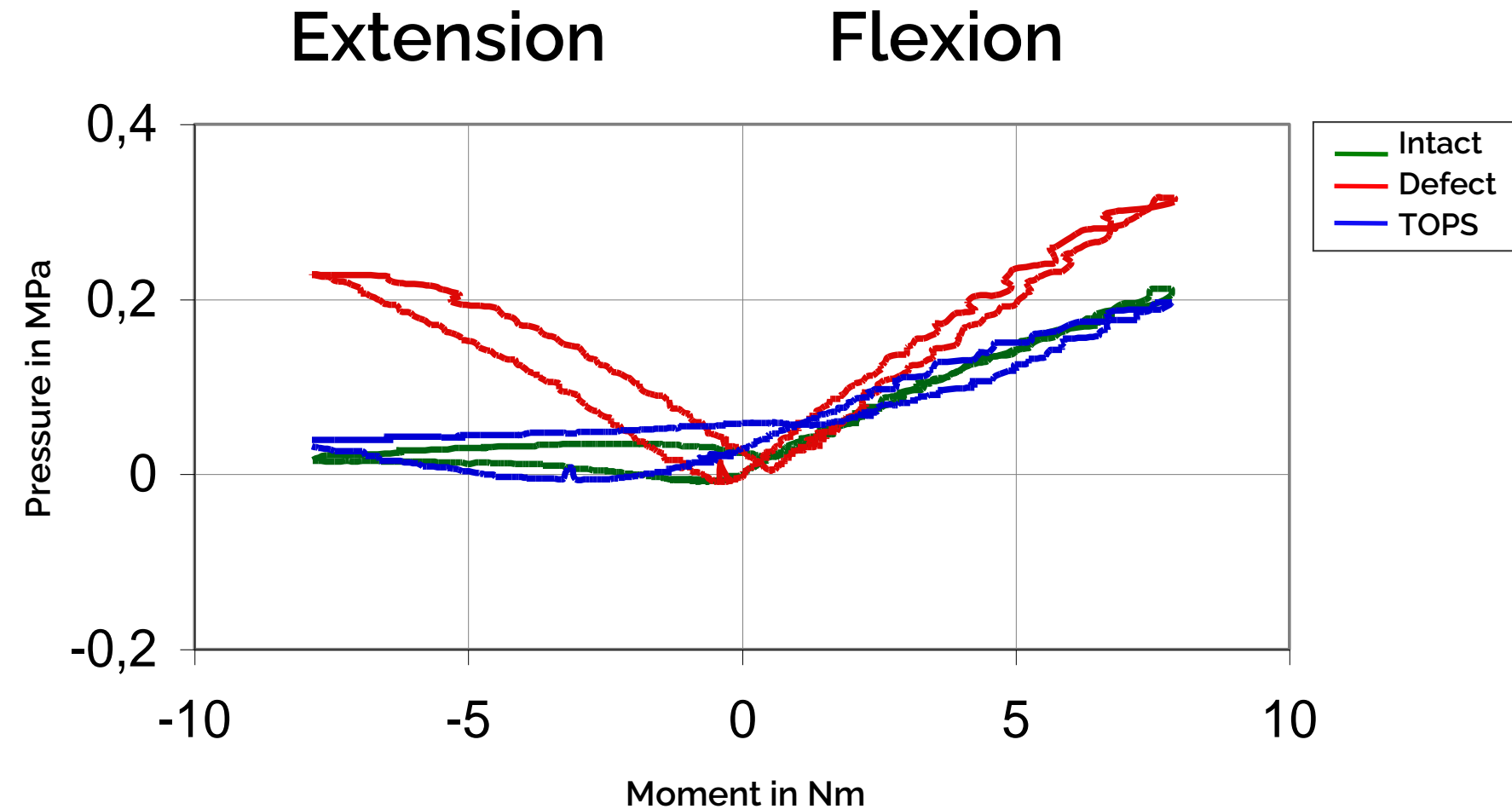
Extension 4°
n=3



Range of Motion in ° at +/- 7.5 Nm

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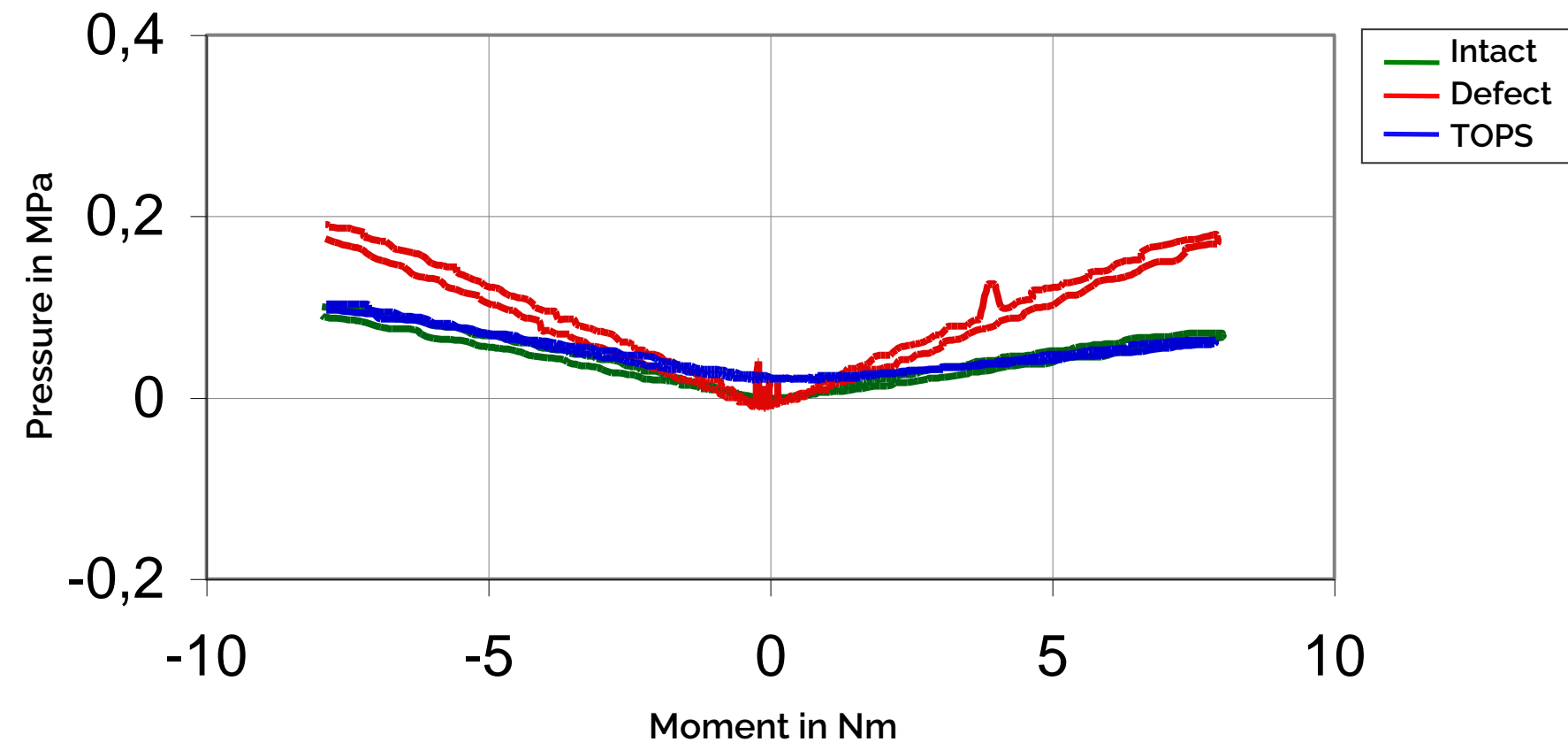
Intradiscal Pressure



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Intradiscal Pressure

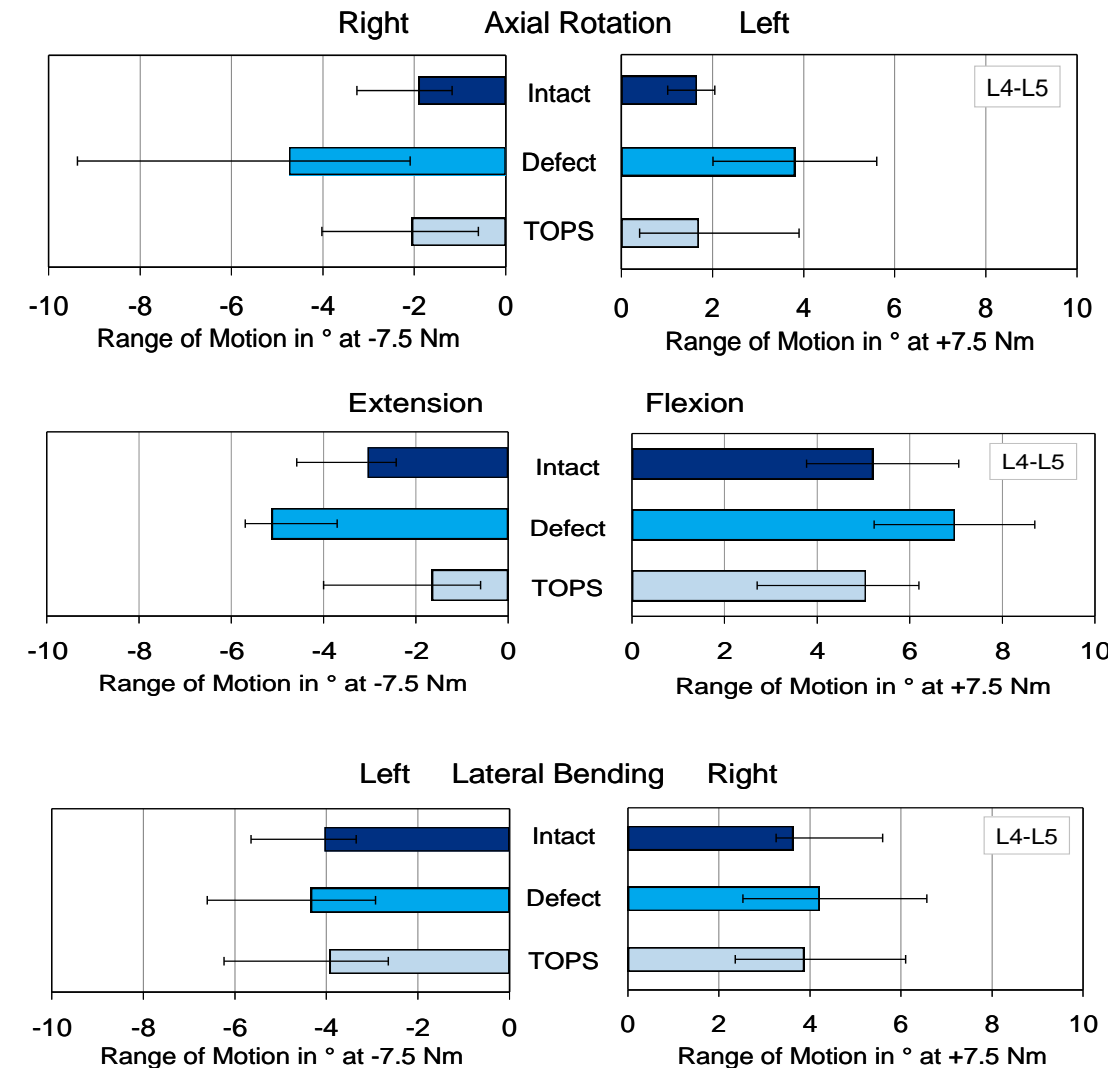
Axial Rotation



Range of Motion

TOPS provides normal range of motion after destabilization of the spine segment

- Restabilizes motion in flexion, extension, lateral bending, axial rotation, and sagittal translation
- Preserves the level of motion patients had prior to surgery



Quality of Motion

TOPS also recreates physiologic quality of motion after decompression

- The quality motion with TOPS is similar to the native segment in transition across all directions of movement

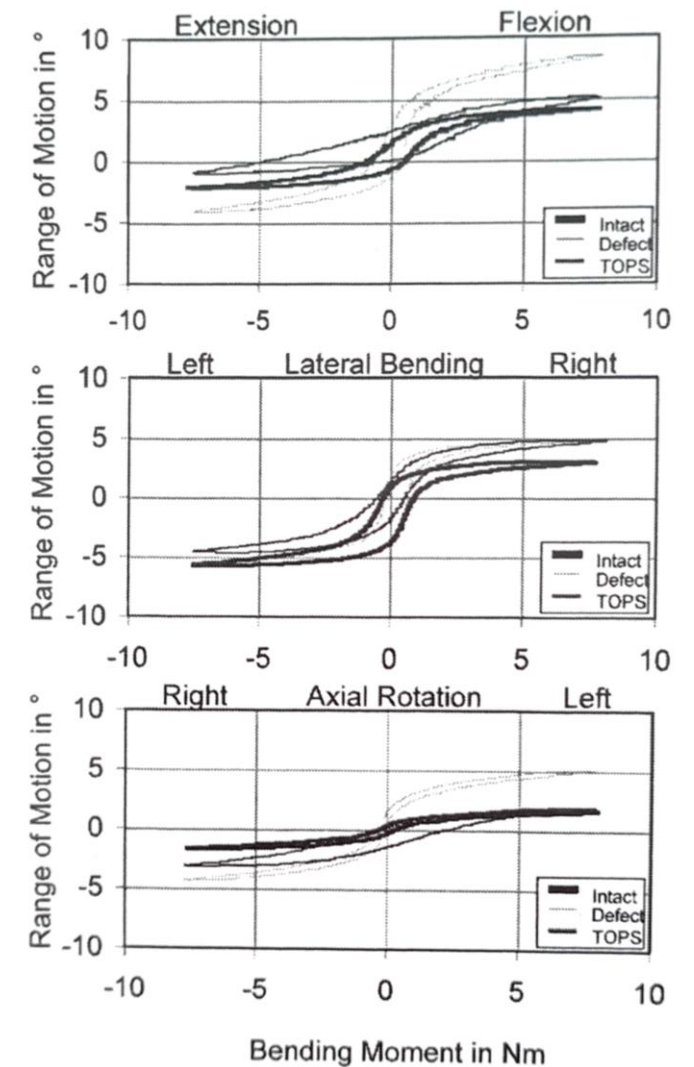
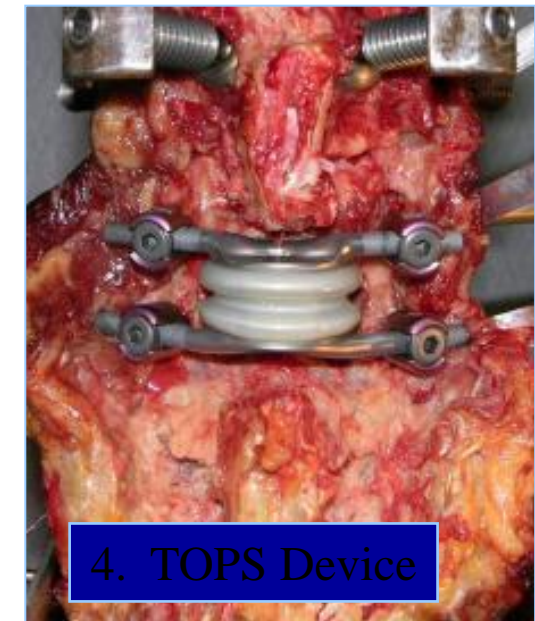
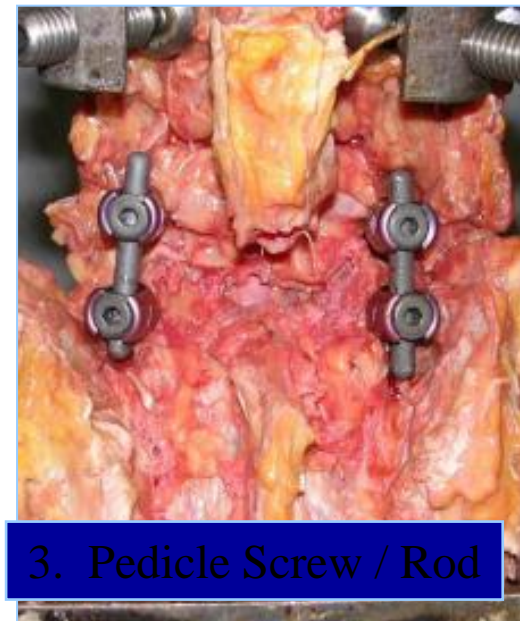
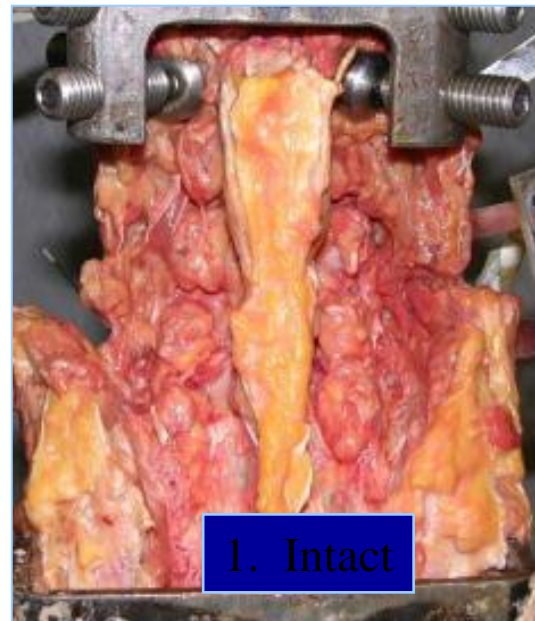


Figure 3. Exemplary load-displacement hysteresis curves in the 3 motion planes. The conditions intact, defect, and with TOPS implant were tested.

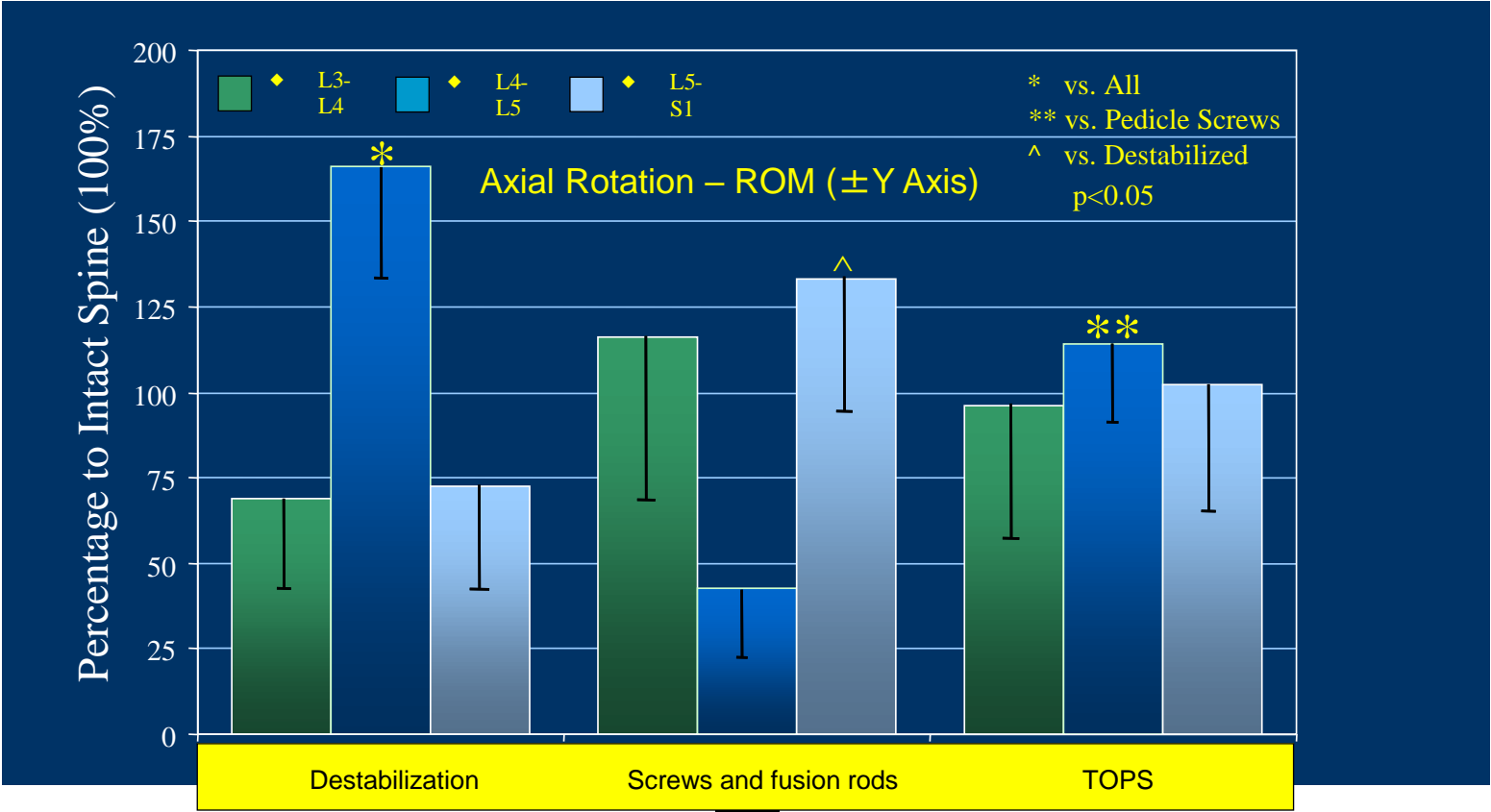
Why is Motion Important

- Measurement of both global and segmental range of motion at baseline, after decompression, after fixation, and after TOPS
- Intact measurements serve as baseline (100%) for other measurements



TOPS Protects Adjacent Levels

Normal motion protects the adjacent levels



Source: BW Cunningham, MSc, Orthopaedic Spinal Research Laboratory, Towson, MD

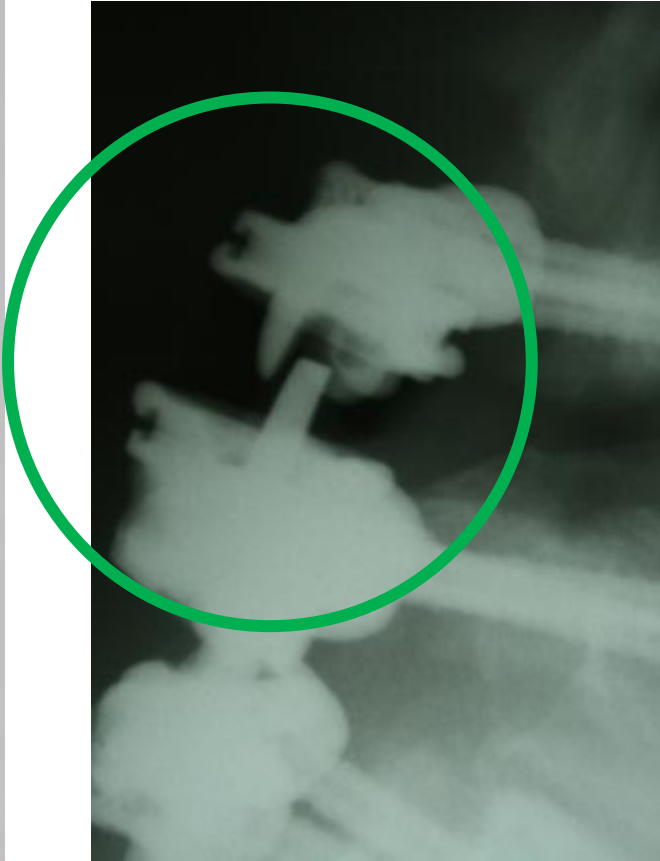
Only Device of Its Kind

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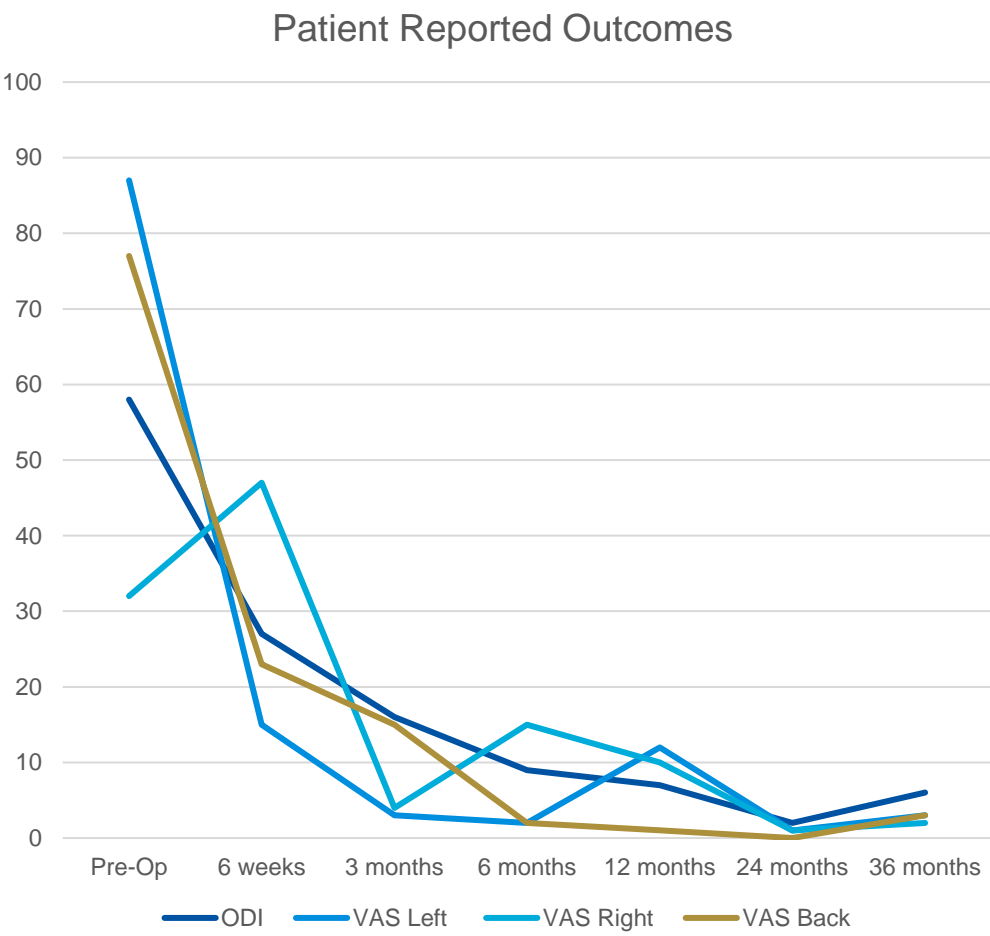
Versalink in Europe

TOPS System with an adjacent level fusion



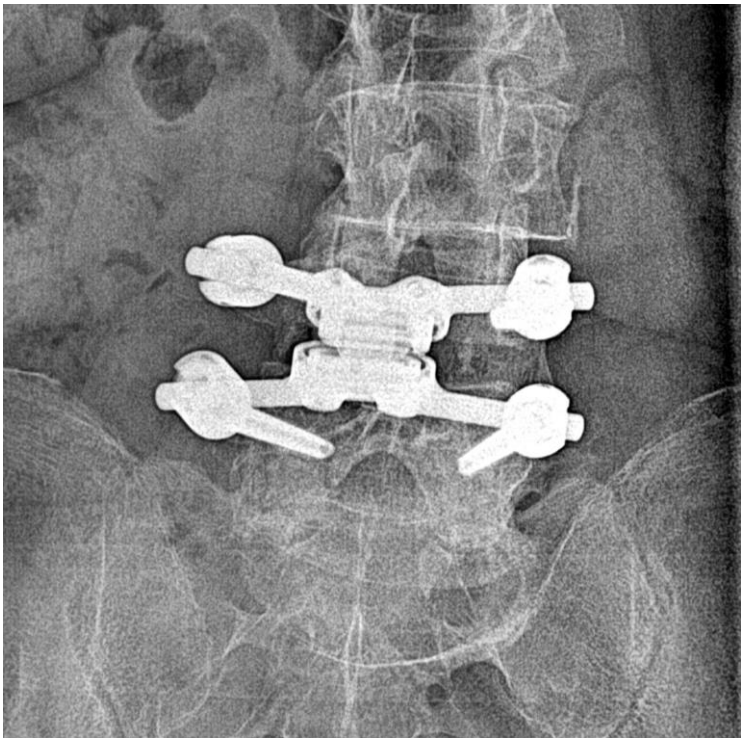
Case Study from IDE

- 71 y/o male (BMI 31.3)
- Single level severe stenosis at L4/5 with Grade I spondylolisthesis, moderate stenosis L3/4
- Complete L4 laminectomy with complete L4/5 bilateral facetectomies

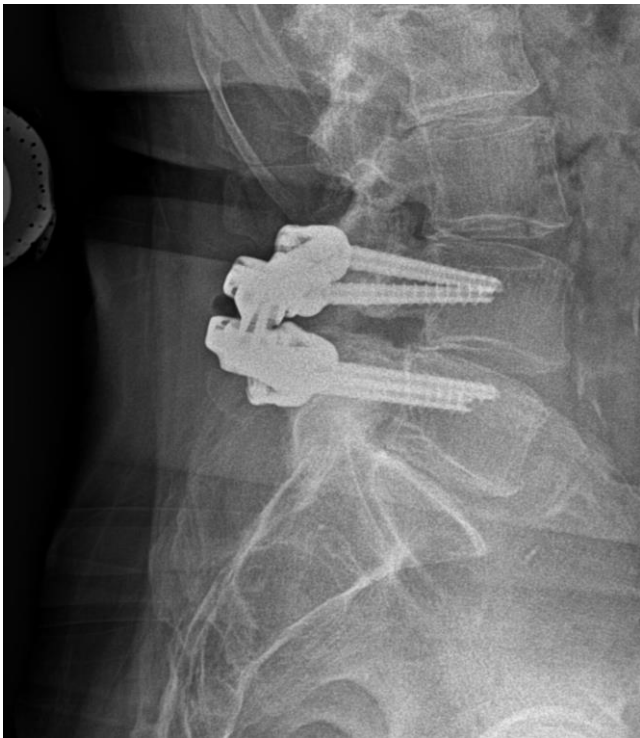


Case Study from IDE – 24 Months

AP



Neutral



Flexion



Extension



Radiographic Measurements – Treated Level

	Angular Motion (FlexEx)	Translational Motion (FlexEx)	Angular Motion (Lateral Bend)	Average Disc Height
Pre-Op	1.6	0.6	0.4	8.1
12 months	8.6	2.1	5.2	N/A
24 months	8.1	2.1	10.7	7.1

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total
Alquiza/Rumler	0	0	3	4	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
Bang	0	0	0	0	1	0	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	13
Bierstedt/Illerhaus/Roberg	18	24	38	22	34	33	30	32	26	52	63	6	4	382
Boettcher	0	0	0	0	0	11	24	21	29	14	14	1	1	115
Boluki	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Danne/Meier/PD DrLemcke	0	0	6	5	4	6	6	2	6	7	7	16	3	68
Dienel/Kiriyanthan	0	0	0	7	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
Dorre	0	0	0	0	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
Glocker	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Grimm	0	0	3	7	6	5	2	3	3	1	3	2	1	36
Haritz/(Adelt)	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
Igressa/Bulmus/Sadowy/El Khatib/(Weber)	0	0	10	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Laupichler	0	0	12	21	23	18	8	9	9	8	12	6	8	134
Müller-Broich	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Paschalidis	0	0	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24
Pippan/Reith	0	32	33	34	10	3	7	0	5	4	3	6	3	140
Reuland	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Ropers/Adelt	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Salger	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Schneider	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Schul/Krammer/Tomassino/Lumenta	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Stosberg/Meisel/Bone	0	0	0	7	3	0	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	16
Vosberg	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Lay/Woltering	0	0	7	5	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	3	0	23
Wonke/Makki/Assaf/Schuster	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Youssef/Gruber/Soos/Al-	0	0	0	20	14	11	16	25	3	0	0	0	23	112
Prof.Bertagnoli/ Sramek	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Dr.Hejazi	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Prof. Boszczyk /Bengel	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	9	3	0	0	0	0	13
Dr.U.Knappe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	3
Dr.Amir Zolal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Tim Rumler von Rüden	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Dr.Schreiber	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	8	14
Dr.Schnake	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Dr.Eif	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	7
Dr.Bludau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
Dr.Kaminski	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	21	28
Dr. Tschan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Total	21	58	113	193	132	97	106	111	86	93	108	56	83	1257