

MC.002—Orthopaedic Surgical Procedures

Scientific Merit for Achievement:

The cadaveric specimens provide an opportunity for learners to have hands-on practice and testing with human anatomy. The learners may receive training via three or more ways such as simulation, live animal and NAM. Each of these training modalities provides a different perspective to the overall procedure. Overall, the NAM portion of the training is pivotal for the completeness of the learning process.

Objective:

To perform, teach, and/or perfect various types of Orthopaedic procedures that will translate to live patient surgeries utilizing as minimal of an access of incisions as possible to still allow for the execution of proper techniques.

Methodology to Achieve Objective:

By utilizing fresh-frozen cadaver specimens, the sponsor will perform, teach, and/or perfect varying degrees and types of Orthopaedic surgery by following as closely as possible the methodology utilized in live patient surgery. The utmost care will be taken to make the most minimal incision possible to preserve any future potential for research and education, and to maintain the aforementioned consistency with live patient surgery. The procedures include, but are not limited to hip or knee replacement or revision, femoral or tibia trauma surgery, foot or ankle procedures, humeral shoulder trauma, forearm and/or wrist trauma, and arthroscopy procedures.

Equipment, Supplies, and/or Instrumentation Potentially Required for Methodology:

- General Surgical Instrumentation
- Surgical Instrumentation and Implants Provided by Sponsor
- Surgical power such as sag saw, drill and reamer
- C-arm Fluoroscopic Unit with Technician if Requested
- Lead Aprons and Thyroid Shields
- Electrosurgical Unit (Bovie)
- Suction Source
- Positioning equipment such as peg boards
- PPEs (Gloves, Gowns, Masks with Shields, Caps, and Shoe Covers)
- Other specialty items specified by sponsor.

Qualified Learners/Participants:

These individuals shall include board certified physicians, resident physicians, physician assistants, nurses, and other medical and non-medical learners/participants. Typically, the students are of the same specialties and of the same position in the medical/surgical field, field of study or the medical device industry.



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1) Client Sponsored Event:

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- 2) MERI Sponsored Event
 - a) None at this time.

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