

Mark James Wang, MD
Board Certified Orthopaedic Surgery
Curriculum Vitae

PERSONAL DATA

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EDUCATION

2007-2008	Fellowship in Spinal Surgery: Southern California Orthopedic Institute
2003-2007	Orthopaedic Surgery Residency: Stanford University Hospital and Clinics
2002-2003	General Surgery Internship: Stanford University Hospital and Clinics
1998-2002	Medical School, UCLA School of Medicine
1994-1998	BS, Biological Sciences; Minor, Economics: Stanford University

CLINICAL RESEARCH

2006	Department of Orthopedic Surgery, Stanford University, Division of Spine Surgery: Minimum Acceptable Outcomes and Expectations after Fusion for Degenerative Disc Disease
2005	Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Stanford University, Palo Alto Veterans Hospital Contact Stress in the Knee Following Partial and Full Thickness Meniscectomy for the Treatment of Horizontal Meniscus Tears
2004	Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Division of Spine Surgery, Stanford University Assessment of Patient Expectation and Satisfaction in Lumbar Decompression Surgery
2000	Department of Interventional Radiology, UCLA Embolotherapy of Pelvic Arteriovenous Malformations using Ethylene Vinyl Alcohol Copolymer
1999	Department of Reconstructive Surgery and Orthopaedics, UCLA Short Term Training Project (STTP) and Poster Presentation entitled "Characterization of Stromal Vascular Fraction Cells with Osteogenic Potential from Liposuctioned Fat Aspirate"
1996-1998	Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Stanford University Honors Thesis and Poster Presentation entitled "Periprosthetic Tissue Reaction to Wear Debris from Metal on Metal on Polyethylene Total Hip Replacements—A Preliminary Study
1996	Orthopaedic Hospital, Los Angeles, CA Summer Research Assistant: Analysis of Ultra High Molecular Weight Polyethylene particles in wear serum from hip simulators using a Coulter Multisizer

HONORS

2026	‘100 Best Doctors In Arizona’ by AZ Business Magazine, 2026 & 2027
2025	Castle Connolly Top Doctors in America
2024	Castle Connolly Top Doctors in America
2023	Castle Connolly Top Doctors in America
2022	Castle Connolly Top Doctors in America
2022	Visiting Spine Surgeon University of Munich Hospital, Munich Germany 2022
2017	Phoenix Top Doctors Orthopaedic Spinal Surgeons
2014	Phoenix Top Doctors Orthopaedic Spinal Surgeons
2013	Phoenix Top Doctors Orthopaedic Spinal Surgeons
2007	1 st Place: Best Resident Research Paper Award, Stanford Dept of Orthopaedic Surgery
2006	Operation Rainbow Surgeon Overseas Orthopaedic Humanitarian Aid, Nicaragua
1999	STTP Research Grant, UCLA School of Medicine
1998	Departmental Honors, Biological Sciences, Stanford University
1996-1998	Kappa Sigma Scholar for Academic Achievement, Stanford University
1994	Valedictorian San Marino High School
1994	CIF Male Scholar Athlete of the Year, San Marino High School

WORK EXPERIENCE

2021-	Orthopaedic Spine Surgeon: Desert Institute for Spine Care, Phoenix, AZ
2012-2020	Spinal Disorders Specialist: Spine Institute of Arizona, Scottsdale, AZ
2012-	Assistant Clinical Faculty, Midwestern School of Medicine, Glendale, AZ
2008-2012	Spinal Disorders Specialist: South Bay Orthopaedic Specialists Medical Center, Torrance, CA
2007-2008	Fellow in Spine Surgery, Southern California Orthopedic Institute, Van Nuys, CA
2002-2007	Resident Physician in the Departments of General Surgery/Orthopaedic Surgery Stanford University Hospital, Stanford, CA
1999	Medical Scholars Program Clinical Instructor in Gross Anatomy, UCLA

1988-1999 Teaching Assistant Stanford University Molecular Biology

PUBLICATIONS

“Treatment of Pelvic Arteriovenous Malformations with Ethylene Vinyl Alcohol Copolymer (Onyx),”
Castaneda F, Goodwin SC, Swischuk JL, Wong G, Bonilla SM, Wang MJ, Abdel-Sayed PS.
Journal of Vascular and Interventional Radiology 2002; 13:5:513-516.

“Positive Cytokine Production in Failed Metal-on-Metal Total Hip Replacements,”
Patricia A Campbell, Mark Wang, Harlan C Amstutz, Stuart B Goodman. Acta Orthopaedica
Scandinavica; Volume 73, Number 5 / October 01, 2002, 506 – 512.

“Minimum Acceptable Outcomes and Expectations after Fusion for Degenerative Disc Disease”
Eugene Carragee MD, Ivan Cheng MD, Brian JC Freeman MD FRCS, Mark J Wang MD, Todd F
Alamin MD, Erica Van Den Haak, BS. Supplement to the Spine Journal, Proceedings of the North
American Spine Society 21st Annual Meeting, September/October 2006; Volume 6, Number 5S,
31S.

“Benefit of Single-Leaf Resection for Horizontal Meniscus Tear,” Joseph M Haemer MS, Mark J Wang MD,
MD, Dennis R Carter PhD, Nicholas J Giori MD, PhD. Clinical Orthopaedics and Related Research;
April 2007.

“Validation of a ‘Minimum Acceptable Outcomes’ Model for Outcomes Assessment in Spinal Surgery,”
Eugene Carragee, MD, Ivan Cheng, MD, Mark Wang, MD Supplement to the Spine Journal,
Proceedings of the North American Spine Society 22nd Annual Meeting, September/October 2007;
Volume 7, Number 5S.

PRESENTATIONS

Presenter: Mark J Wang MD, “Benefit of Single-Leaf Resection for Horizontal Meniscus Tear,”
Podium Presentation @ American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons Annual Meeting (AAOS),
Chicago, Illinois, March 23, 2006

Presenter: Mark J Wang MD, “Minimum Acceptable Outcomes and Expectations after Fusion for
Degenerative Disc Disease,” Podium Presentation at the North American Spine Society Annual
Meeting (NASS), Seattle, Washington, September 28, 2006.

Presenter: Mark J Wang MD, “Disc Arthroplasty in a Worker’s Compensation Setting,”
Bi-annual Industrial Injuries Symposium, Southern California Orthopedic Institute,
Van Nuys, California, November 14, 2007.

Presenter: Mark J Wang MD, “Off Label Use of BMP-2” Podium Presentation @ Western Orthopaedic
Association Annual Meeting (WOA), Coeur d’Alene ID August 1, 2015.

Presenter: Mark J Wang MD, “Interesting Case Studies” Podium Presentation @ Stanford Spine Symposium,
Las Vegas NV October 20, 2017,

Presenter: Mark J Wang MD, "MIS TLIF vs PLIF" 9th M.O.R.E. SYMPOSIUM Lugano, Switzerland, April 11-13, 2019

ABREVIATED LIST OF PRESENTATIONS/FACULTY TEACHING APPOINTMENTS:

Faculty Presenter: Banner University Tuscon AZ "Minimally Invasive TLIF"
Faculty Presenter: HonorHealth OrthoCM "Lateral Interbody Surgery"
Faculty Presenter: HonorHealth TPK "Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery"
Faculty Presenter: Xtant Donor Celebration
Faculty Presenter: Xtant "3Demin Case Study"
Faculty Presenter: Globus Merc "Methods of Sagittal Correction"
Faculty Presenter: Globus Merc "Tricks of the Trade Cadaveric Training Program"
Faculty Presenter: Globus Merc "Lateral Access L2-5"
Faculty Presenter: Globus Merc "Surgical Decision Making"
Faculty Presenter: Globus Merc "Advanced MIS Solutions"
Faculty Presenter: Globus Merc "Advanced Lateral Applications"
Faculty Presenter: Globus Merc: "Lateral Transpsoas vs Anterior to Psoas"
Faculty Presenter: Globus Merc: "Latest in Posterior MIS Solutions"
Faculty Presenter: Nuvasive CPD: "Residents and Fellows"
Faculty Presenter: Stryker : Stanford Spine Alumni Course
Faculty Presenter: Nuvasive CDP: "Transforming Spine Surgery and Beyond"
Faculty Presenter: Nuvasive CDP: "Advanced Biomaterial Debate"
Faculty Presenter: Nuvasive CDP: "XLIF Corpectomy"
Faculty Presenter: Nuvasive CDP: "IGA"
Faculty Presenter: Nuvasive CDP: "SoCal Spine Course"

VOLUNTEER WORK

Operation Rainbow Surgeon Volunteer

BOARD CERTIFICATION

Certified Diplomate of the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Spinal Surgeon Fellowship Faculty, Spine Institute of Arizona 2012-2021
Assistant Clinical Faculty, Midwestern School of Medicine, Glendale, AZ

MEMBERSHIPS

North American Spine Society
American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
SOLAS

MEDICAL LICENSE

Arizona (Active)
California (Active)

CLINICAL COURSE FACULTY

Nuvasive
Globus
Medacta
Xtant

INTERESTS

Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery
Outpatient ASC Spinal Surgery

CONSULTING/ROYALTIES

Integrity Spine Toro L project Design Team Member
Globus Spine Altera 2 project Design Team Member
Globus Spine MIS Lateral anchor project Design Team Member
Globus Spine ADIRA Lateral Plate project Design Team Member
Nuvasive Modulus XLIF Design Team Member
Nuvasive Less Ray consulting Team Member
Medacta MectALIF consulting member
Medacta MustLT consulting member
Medacta NextAR consulting member
Accelus Flarehawk Design Team Member
Accelus Modular Screw Design Team Member
Xtant Biologics
Spinewave Salvo XT system Consultant
Spinewave Exceed Interbody system Consultant

SPINE INSTITUTE OF ARIZONA FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM (FELLOWS TRAINED)

Samer Shamieh, MD 2012
Bobby Getter, MD 2012
Kris West, MD 2013
Eric Deal, MD 2013
Joseph Blythe, DO 2014
Jeremy James, MD 2014
Dale Landry, MD 2015
Trevor McIver, MD 2015
John Faryna, MD 2016
Paul Miller, DO 2016
John McElroy, MD 2017
Nicholas Scarcella, MD 2017
Carson Fairbanks, MD 2018
Ryan Godinsky, MD 2018
Kevin Burns, MD 2019
Samuel Rosenbaum, MD 2019
Peter McCunniff, MD 2020
Chris Battista, MD 2020
Ryan Martin, MD 2021
Drew Henderson MD 2021

COMMITTEE

AZSH Co-management board member
Honor Health Ortho Co-management Member
Xtant Medical Medical Advisory Board Member

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