

What was the reason you to become a member of AOSpine and why would you recommend others to become an AOSpine member?

AOSpine is the highly respected academic non-profit organization among the many spine societies. Being engaged with AOSpine, spine surgeons may well-balanced knowledge which could be shared with international colleagues.

What does being a member of AOSpine mean to you and how has AOSpine influenced your career?

The membership of AOSpine is the final edge of surgeons' academic career. Since I have been a member of AOSpine, my career has been totally changed from the regional to international & from the deviated to the well-balanced like ideal alignment of the spine.

What was the reason you applied for the Member Representative Position?

- AOSpine is the most powerful international meeting among all societies I am engaged with.
- To fulfill the unmet needs from spine surgeons in Asia-Pacific and to conduct my international bridge role between Asia and non-Asia (USA/Europe).
- As a minimally invasive spine surgeon and teacher, I'd like to organize the global standard education program focused on MISS and encourage the EBM.

Why should the AOSpine Voting members vote for you?

- During the last 3 years, I have traveled in Asia, USA, Europe, and Saudi Arabia as an invited speaker more than 50 times, I have met so many spine surgeons and good friendship with them. The named title, 'International' is the best way to describe my activities.
- During the recent 10 years, I have published more than 65 SCI(E) papers as a first or corresponding author and 20 textbook chapters and 1 Editor-in-Chief. I am not only ready to devote but contribute the scientific and academic job of AOSpine.
- I have a strong network especially in Asia, USA, India etc. Especially, in terms of 'Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery', I am enjoying my 'International' scientific jobs in most of MISS-related societies in the world such as 'International Director of SMISS (USA), Delegate of AOSpine MISS Task Force, International Cooperation director of KOMISS (KOREA), International Scientific Program Chair of WCMISST (Int'l), International Scientific Program Chair of ACMISST (Asia), Co-Chair of GSC/NASS PELD (Int'l), Int'l Faculty of ISASS 2017 & MISS Navigation Course of Weil-Cornell Univ 2016, Board Member of ISESS (Int'l Society of Endoscopic Spine Surgery).
- I am the best one who not only knows the unmet needs of MISS from AOSpine members but fulfills the goals of AOSpine using my knowledge of MISS and int'l network.