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### SMISS Prospective Data Registry – Society for Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery

While not a specific implant, the role of data in improving patient selection, surgical plans and overall treatment protocols is as important—potentially even more so—than hardware or technique. The Society of MIS Surgery (SMISS) (as well as NASS and AAOS) has committed to developing a registry program to collect data from surgeries, organize it and then provide it back to the surgical community. SMISS is conducting a multi-center prospective study of minimally invasive spinal surgery data for the treatment of degenerative lumbar spondylolisthesis, degenerative disc disease, spinal stenosis, disc herniation and degenerative scoliosis. This registry is the first large-scale, multi-center study of spinal fusion and endoscopic surgical method outcomes with minimally invasive spine surgery. For more information, please contact Kevin Liang Ph.D. at [kliang@milestonecro.com](mailto:kliang@milestonecro.com). ♦ more >>