



INTRODUCING













SURGEON EDUCATION MISSION

Dedicated to surgeon education, the NuVasive® mission is to optimize patient outcomes, surgical reproducibility, and the procedural efficiency of minimally disruptive techniques by systematically imparting new technology and procedural best practices.

At NuVasive, we're engineering the future to maximize surgical approaches to spine surgery, and to provide hope and faster recovery for spine patients worldwide. With that purpose comes the obligation to offer abundant educational opportunities and ongoing support for our surgeon customers. Our unique Marquis Visit Program (MVP) and the other valuable programs detailed in this brochure are representative of our commitment to surgeon education.

MARQUIS VISIT PROGRAM (MVP)

"Not only does Surgeon Education give us the opportunity to expand our educational platform through valuable interactive training of top surgeons, but it allows us to demonstrate how our culture of Absolute Responsiveness* gives us a unique edge over competitors in assisting surgeons to meet their patients' needs."



Alexis V. Lukianov NuVasive, Inc. Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

"The MVP program provides surgeons the foundation necessary to become proficient and then to advance in procedures that couple conventional surgical approaches with minimally disruptive techniques. A series of educational methodologies is employed to explore minimally disruptive techniques to address various pathologies. The use of the NuVasive integrated technologies facilitates these less disruptive approaches, achieving reproducible results with minimal learning curve and outcomes comparable to conventional techniques."



Luiz Pimenta, M.D., Ph.D. SOLAS® Executive Chairman

"NuVasive leads the way in providing educational opportunity and material for all spine surgeons. From the MVP hands-on Cadaver Lab experience to the online XLIF discussion groups in SpineConnect™ (www.spineconnect.com), hosted by Syndicom, the breadth of material available to support surgeons is outstanding. Furthermore, once a surgeon has accomplished 10 XLIF cases, he becomes eligible to join the Society of Lateral Access Surgery (SOLAS), which provides access to more advanced training, education, research, and the annual SOLAS meetings."



Jim Youssef, M.D. SOLAS Surgeon Education Committee Co-Chairman

THE REPRODUCIBLE REVOLUTION STARTED IT ALL.

NuVasive® strives to provide world-class surgeon education and training in order to optimize procedural expertise and outstanding patient outcomes. The NuVasive world-class educational program was created and perfected during the evolution of the XLIF® (eXtreme Lateral Interbody Fusion) technique. XLIF, developed in collaboration with Luiz Pimenta, M.D., Ph.D., from São Paulo, Brazil, allows a safe, reproducible, lateral retroperitoneal approach to the thoracolumbar spine. The NuVasive proprietary XLIF technology has inspired a number of other life-changing procedures, such as XLIF Corpectomy, XL TDR® (eXtreme Lateral Total Disc Replacement), and other minimally disruptive surgical approaches, including ILIF™ (Interlaminar Lumbar Instrumented Fusion) and MAS® (Maximum Access Surgery) TLIF – innovations that are redefining spine surgery today.

The foundation of the teaching and adoption of all of these revolutionary procedures is a basis of conventional technique, coupled with minimal disruption of the surrounding soft tissues. The procedures are taught in a step-wise and reproducible process, using tools provided by NuVasive for appreciation of best practices, discussion of ideal applications, and continued opportunities for advanced learning.

CORPORATE MVP

The corporate MVP is the cornerstone education experience with NuVasive products and procedures in a simulated operating room setting. Visits include surgical instruction on the latest techniques by a highly trained surgeon proctor. Surgeons gain hands-on cadaveric experience in the NuVasive state-of-the-art, six-suite operative theatre, while working closely with peers and the event's surgeon proctors. Afternoon lab sessions can be customized to meet individual needs, such as further procedural training, application of additional/alternative levels, adjunctive procedures, and/or anatomical dissection. Surgeon participants will also have the opportunity for additional clinical and product training and related discussions.



VISITING SURGEON PROGRAM

Through proctor participation during a live operative case, the Visiting Surgeon Program (VSP) can help expand your familiarization with the XLIF® procedure, or serve as a refresher on the technology or technique. Opportunities include the ability to scrub-in with the proctor or have a proctor surgeon visit for assistance on a first case with a "Reverse" VSP.

PEER-TO-PEER EVENTS

NuVasive® facilitates proctored peercentered events, such as peer-to-peer meetings over a meal. A proctor surgeon is present to discuss a specific surgical technique or topic related to the NuVasive MAS® platform.

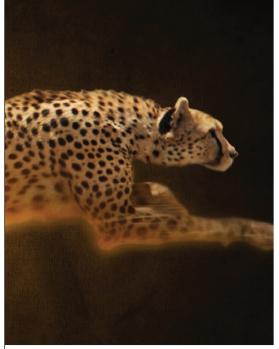
REMOTE MVP

To make training more convenient for those who cannot travel to San Diego, we occasionally hold cadaveric lab training in various other cities throughout the world. Surgeon proctors and a professional lab team lead remote labs with the goal of replicating the educational experience that is offered at our corporate headquarters in San Diego.

CONNECT WITH PEERS ONLINE THROUGH SPINECONNECT.™

Every day, over 1,400 spine surgeons from around the world log on to **www.spineconnect.com**. Its purpose is to share knowledge, develop novel approaches to treatment, address the top challenges in spine healthcare, and create technological solutions that address voids in the current marketplace, with the underlying goal of improving patient outcomes. Syndicom SpineConnect is the leading knowledge network for spine surgeons to collaborate on difficult and unusual cases. NuVasive supports a group on the SpineConnect network, which allows MVP-trained surgeons access to other XLIF-trained peers and proctors. The goal of the network is to foster continuation of peer-to-peer educational interaction beyond the MVP training event.







ABSOLUTE RESPONSIVENESS® DELIVERS.

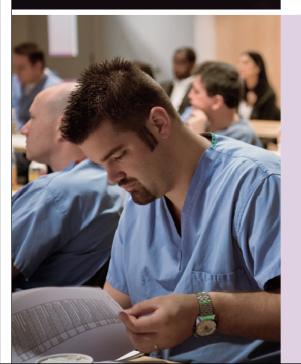
Exemplifying the NuVasive® culture of Absolute Responsiveness and dedication to development, the corporate facilities also include a private, state-of-the-art Development Lab available anytime – day or night. There, immediate design feedback can be provided and changes implemented at our onsite Machine Shop.

OUR DEDICATED TEAM IS READY WHEN YOU ARE.

To maximize the educational experience at NuVasive, the Surgeon Education team stands ready with around-the-clock service to make sure each visit is nothing short of perfect. Weeks before a training event occurs, a team member contacts each attendee to ensure that all travel logistics and educational needs are met. We coordinate travel and lodging to accommodate individual schedules, and provide expert assistance in the lab.

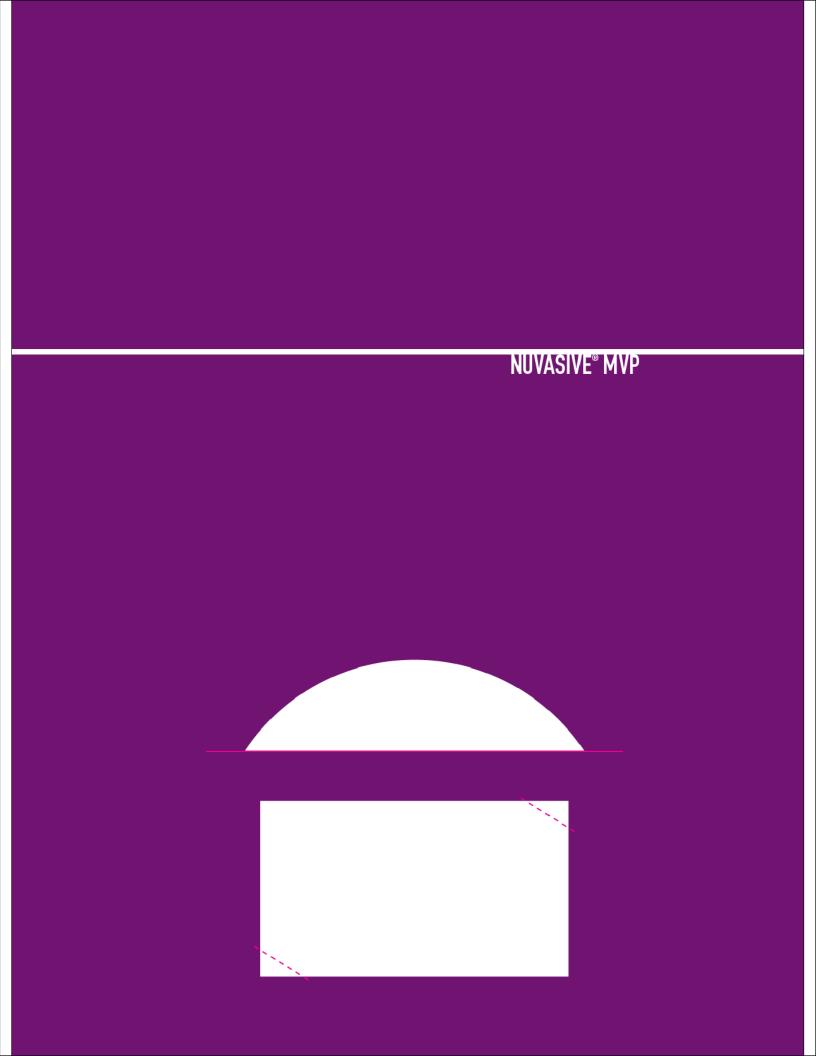
SOLAS® IS SHAPING THE FUTURE OF LATERAL ACCESS SURGERY.

NuVasive, Inc. created and provides continued funding for the Society of Lateral Access Surgery (SOLAS). The intent of SOLAS is to foster research, training initiatives, and peer-to-peer communication that help define and advance the science and art of lateral access surgery, particularly the XLIF® procedure. SOLAS provides collaborative opportunities among its members, as well as the sharing of ideas and new techniques that benefit patient, physician, and hospital. All XLIF-related courses and other training opportunities are proctored by SOLAS faculty.



EXPERIENCE WORLD-CLASS TRAINING FROM NUVASIVE.

For more information about the NuVasive Marquis Visit Program and other educational programs, please visit **www.nuvasive.com**. You may also contact us directly by sending an e-mail to mvp@nuvasive.com. Include your name, city, state, and other contact information so that we may respond quickly to your request.





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