



### **Fellowship Report**

I have been obliged to be a part of an institution like ISKSAA, that promotes and encourages the members to learn more and progress.

My skill development venture at Missouri Orthopaedic Institute, Columbia was a great learning feast. Having a regular contact with the guide, participating in the surgeries and also an attachment with other supervising physicians made this fellowship an overall success.

I participated in 28 Hip revisions, 12 primary hip replacements, 1 pelvi-acetabular osteotomy, 14 primary knee replacements, 24 knee revisions and 11 hip arthroscopies as a part of joint preservation surgeries with Dr Ajay Aggarwal. I also had a chance to observe few sports surgeries and shoulder revisions with Dr Sherman and Dr Smith respectively who discussed all the surgical decision-making alongside.

I observed 2 partial knee replacements, 2 anterior hip (primary replacements) with Dr Kaeny and Dr Nettrour respectively.

Some of the interesting pointers of the surgical experience were nano-passers for acetabular labrum repair, many 3D printing and customized implants, efficiency of the overall system, revisions into triple bearing hip, allografts for quadriceps mechanism and ligaments as well as menisci.

The huge campus and multiple library+student complexes that provide a good ambience and positive environment for all the learning, research and rejuvenation at one place.

Dr Ajay had a well organized system for a learning experience, including saw model workshop, multiple library access, research endeavours and a dinner outing as well. Columbia is a nice small city with one of the largest University campuses and college based settlements around.

Many thanks to ISKSAA for creating such platforms and especially to Dr Ajay, for encouraging, educating and skill development from Hip preservation surgery, arthroscopy to complex revisions.

Hoping for an ever growing ISKSAA ,

Regards

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