

AOA ACCREDITED FELLOWSHIP WEBSITE SUMMARY

TITLE OF FELLOWSHIP	Clinical and Research Fellowship in Spinal Surgery	
Chief supervisor	Mr Gerald M.Y. Quan MBBS, PhD, FRACS, FAOrthA	
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Length	12 months	
Stipend	\$80,000	
Institutions	Austin Health University of Melbourne Spinal Surgery Unit Warringal Private Hospital Orthopaedic Research Centre at Austin	
Educational goals and characteristics	<p>This 12-month fellowship is based at the Austin Hospital in Melbourne. The Austin is one of the largest tertiary adult teaching hospitals in Melbourne and runs the statewide Victorian Spinal Cord Injuries Service as well as the Olivia Newton John Cancer Centre that serves the northern and eastern corridors of Melbourne. The Orthopaedic department is one of the largest and busiest in Melbourne, with four accredited orthopaedic registrars and four surgical residents including the Fellow and one dedicated accredited registrar and resident in the Spinal Surgery Unit.</p> <p>The Fellow will be gain considerable experience in the full gamut of Spinal Surgery from the occiput to the sacrum including degenerative disorders, primary and secondary tumours, major adolescent and adult deformity, infection and trauma. All acute spinal cord injuries throughout Victoria and Tasmania managed at the Austin through the Victorian Spinal Cord Injuries Service. The Orthopaedic Spinal Surgery Unit receives primary to tertiary referrals from across Victoria and Tasmania. Surgeons of the Spinal Surgery Unit work in close collaboration with spinal rehabilitation physicians towards optimal patient outcomes, as well as with oncologists at the Cancer Centre in the management of primary and metastatic disease of the spine.</p> <p>There is a dedicated spinal research nurse prospectively collecting Patient Reported Outcome Measures in all patients undergoing spinal surgery and as such there is ample opportunity to perform high impact and relevant clinical research. The Fellow is expected to prepare at least two papers for publication within twelve months and present one of these at a national or international spinal meeting.</p>	

Requirements/ criteria	All candidates must be eligible for registration by the Australian Medical Practitioners' Board. An Orthopaedic or Neurosurgical postgraduate fellowship (FRACS) or equivalent is a prerequisite.
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