Swiss-Korean
Spinal Exchange Program
The Swiss Society of Neurosurgery is proud to announce its new fellowship exchange program in collaboration with the Neurosurgical Spine Society of South Korea. A travel grant is generously sponsored by Medtronic for the Swiss participants.

The purpose of the program is to improve the quality of education in spine surgery. Therefore, each year two neurosurgical senior residents will be hosted by a dedicated spine centre in South Korea. Vice-versa, the Neurosurgical Spine Society of South Korea will send two residents to Switzerland.

South Korea is known for its very highly developed medical system, combined with high-tech products and a careful teaching system. The fellowship of 4 to 6 weeks’ duration will allow the participants to be involved surgical activities, to learn new approaches to spine diseases, learn new surgical techniques, and last but not least establish relationships with a new country. South Korea offers a unique culture, characterized by an astonishing ancient history and modern lifestyle.

Medtronic will sponsor a travel grant of CHF 5’000.- for two neurosurgical residents in 2017. In exchange, the candidate will be at disposal for a lecture organised by the sponsoring company. Applicants should have a commitment to the neurosurgical aspects of spine surgery in Switzerland. A minimum of 4 years training in neurosurgery is required. Participants of the sponsored fellowship will present their experience at the upcoming annual meeting of our Swiss Society of Neurosurgery.

Key facts
- Fellowship in spine surgery of 4 to 6 weeks’ duration in South Korea
- Travel grant sponsored by Medtronic
- Participants will be hosted in a dedicated South Korean neurosurgical spine centre
- At least 4 years training in neurosurgery is required for application
- Candidates will be chosen by the board of the Swiss Society of Neurosurgery
- Application letter (shortly describing the motivation) to PD Dr. Oliver Hausmann / IMK, until November 30th 2016

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