



## MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY GRAND ROUNDS

## Addisu Mesfin, MD

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"Ossification of the Posterior Longitudinal Ligament (OPLL) in North American Patients: Diagnosis and Management"



Thursday, February 23, 2023 6:30am -7:30am EST

Massachusetts General Hospital Trustees Room (Bulfinch 2-222) (HYBRID, In-person & on Zoom)



Addisu Mesfin, MD is a Vice Chair of Research and Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at Medstar Orthopaedic Institute/Georgetown University School of Medicine. He recently served as Chief of Spine Surgery and Professor of Orthopaedics at the University of Rochester. He completed his Orthopaedic residency at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Spine Surgery Fellowship at Washington University in St. Louis and additional training in Spine Oncology at Kanazawa University in Japan and Rizzoli Orthopaedic Institute in Italy.

Dr Mesfin is passionate about the delivery of excellent clinical care as well as teaching and mentoring medical students, residents, and fellows. His clinical interests include spine tumors, OPLL, spinal deformity and spine trauma. He has pioneered methods to decrease wound complications in spine tumor surgery.

He has travelled to his country of birth, Ethiopia, on several occasions to work with local faculty and to operate on patients with spine trauma and spinal deformity. He also served in the U.S Army Reserves as an Orthopaedic surgeon and deployed to Afghanistan as a member of a forward surgical team.

Dr Mesfin also conducts grant funded clinical and translational research resulting in 189 peer reviewed publications and more than 300 regional/national/international presentations. He is the only surgeon, to date, to have been honored as a travelling fellow of the Cervical Spine Research Society (Europe), Scoliosis Research Society (Ghana, India, Israel, Turkey), American-Orthopaedic-Association North American Travelling Fellowship (NATF) (US & Canada) and American-Orthopaedic-Association American-British-Canada (ABC) Travelling fellowship (United Kingdom & South Africa).

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6:30am *Welcome* Stuart Hershman, MD

Acting Chief Orthopaedic Spine

Service

MGH Spine Fellowship Site Director Director, Adult Spinal Deformity &

Spinal Reconstruction

Department of Orthopaedic Surgery Massachusetts General Hospital Assistant Professor, Harvard

Medical School

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7:30am *Wrap-up / Adjourn* Stuart Hershman, MD