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Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Internship in General Surgery

Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Residency in Orthopaedic Surgery

Emory University Hospital, Fellowship in Spine Surgery

## Biosketch

Dr. Ludwig is the head of the Division of Spine Surgery in the Department of Orthopaedics. He is a Professor of Orthopedics at the School of Medicine and oversees spinal surgery at the University of Maryland Medical Center, the R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center, the Baltimore VA Medical Center, and the University of Maryland Rehabilitation & Orthopaedic Institute.

Dr. Ludwig is a nationally and internationally distinguished academic orthopaedic surgeon whose specific areas of interest and clinical expertise include disorders of the cervical spine, minimally invasive spinal techniques, motion-preservation surgery, reconstruction of the traumatically injured spine, and tumor reconstruction.

He is an active member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, the North American Spine Society, the Cervical Spine Research Society, AO North American Spine, the Society for Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery, the American Orthopaedic Association, and the Orthopaedic Trauma Association. He was named a "Top Doctor" in the specialty of "Orthopaedic Surgery: Spine" by Baltimore magazine in 2016 and 2017.

## Highlighted Publications

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