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Learning curves of robot-assisted pedicle screw fixations based on the cumulative sum test

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#### Abstract:

### Background:

This study aimed to analyze the learning curve of robot-assisted (RA) pedicle screw fixation (PSF) through fitting the operation time curve based on the cumulative summation method.

#### Methods:

RA PSFs that were initially completed by two surgeons at the Beijing Jishuitan Hospital from July 2016 to March 2019 were analyzed retrospectively. Based on the cumulative sum of the operation time, the learning curves of the two surgeons were drawn and fit to polynomial curves. The learning curve was divided into the early and late stages according to the shape of the fitted curve. The operation time and screw accuracy were compared between the stages. Results:

The turning point of the learning curves from Surgeons A and B appeared in the 18th and 17th cases, respectively. The operation time [150 (128, 188) minutes vs. 120 (105, 150) minutes, P=0.002] and the screw accuracy...

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