

#### WELLEX INTERSPINOUS TECHNOLOGY

PRESENTATION



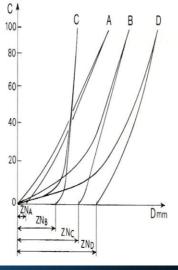


## THE BIOMECHANICAL CHALLENGE

Lumbar instability: the degenerative process can be described as follows:

- Degeneration
- Instability
  - Abnormal loading
  - Reduced disc height
  - Ligament laxity
  - Facet joint degeneration
- Re-stabilization





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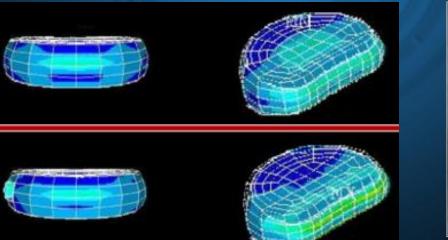
A: normal disc B to D: degenerative changes



# THE SURGICAL GOAL

Use a dynamic technology (Wellex) that will provide controlled segmental mobility while:

- Restoring the posterior tension band
- Reducing abnormal facet loading
- Restoring facets congruence
- Restoring foraminal height







Currently for International use only

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## Weller THE TECHNOLOGICAL GOAL

The Wellex has been designed to:

- Restore and maintain intervertebral dimensions:
  - It reduces abnormal posterior loading
  - It increases the segmental stiffness
  - It restores the facet congruence



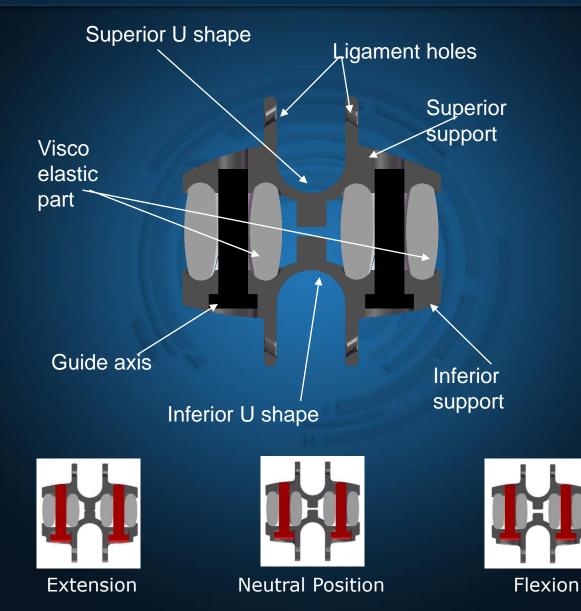
- Maintain physiologic kinematics of the FSU
  - It allows movement in :

Flexion Extension Lateral bending

- Control motion
- S P I N E
- ... especially in the neutral zone



**DESIGN FEATURES** 





# CLINICAL INDICATIONS



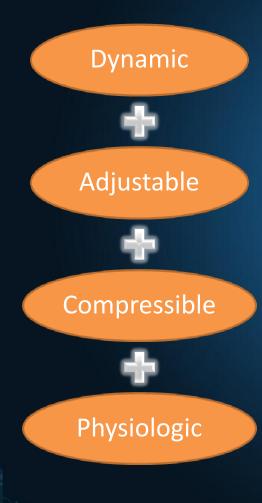
The WELLEX is specifically designed for the treatment of degenerative conditions of the spine:

- **1.** Herniated disc
- 2. Spinal canal and foraminal stenosis
- 3. Segmental instability
- 4. Attachment adjacent to an arthrodesis



# **4 KEY RIFFEBENTIATING FACTORS**

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# **DIFFEBENTIATING FACTOR #1**





"Controls movement dynamically in all planes and all directions Does not block extension, maintaining the Neutral Zone for better long term results"



Wellex

Flexion – Extension - Axial Rotation - Lateral Bending Compression

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# Wellex **DIFFERENTIATING FACTOR #2** Dynamic Adjustable compressible Compressible Physiologic **Compressed Position Open Position**

Interspinous Dynami lization

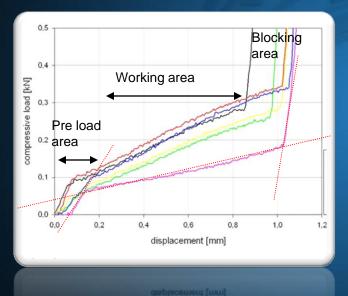
"Inserted compressed in a minimally invasive fashion. No need to remove bony elements of the spinous process, avoiding the risk of implant migration."

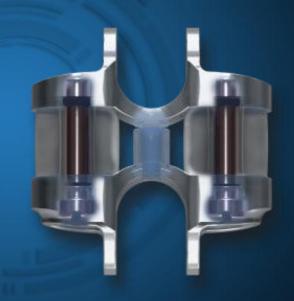


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## **DIFFERENTIATING FACTOR #3**







"Viscoelastic material allows for physiological nonlinear motion"



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## **DIFFERENTIATING FACTOR #4**





Personalized to patient physical characteristics Surgeon has 2 stiffness options intra-operatively



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Interspinous Dynamic ---lization



### SURGICAL TECHNIQUE

Option 1:

#### Top Loading Insertion with optional ligament



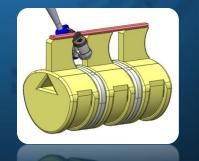




Option 2:

#### Lateral Insertion (2011)





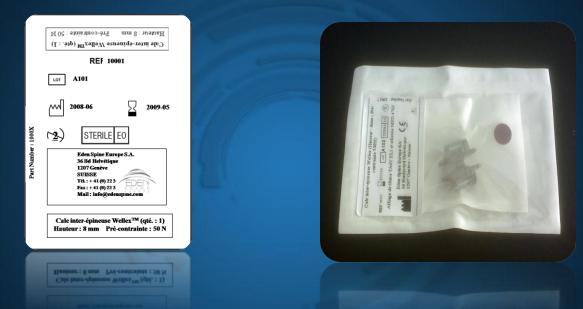




Interspinous Dynamic ilization



#### STERILE PACKAGING



All WELLEX implants are delivered in sterile packages, under double blister pack, with sterilization control stickers, maximizing patient safety.



Interspinous Dynamic Ă abilization





The WELLEX<sup>™</sup> is the result of Dr. Fuentes' 17 years of clinical experience with posterior non-fusion technologies.



The ability to dynamically control extension while protecting and maintaining the neutral zone is unique



and addresses an unfulfilled need in the market place.

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