



Our policy for spinal surgery

Surgery of the spine requires special setup including a knowledgeable team, specialised equipment and quality postoperative care. Hence it is our policy that we would undertake spinal surgery in selected locations that can offer these conditions for the patients.

In regards to advanced imaging versus myelography: although myelography is a relatively safe method to visualise the spinal cord, there is no doubt that MRI and CT are much better techniques. MRI and CT are less invasive and they offer better identification of the CNS pathology than a myelography. Probably the biggest downside of a myelography is the risks of seizures and death. Although this risk is low, somewhere around 1 in 200 myelographies, we strongly recommend MRI and/or CT to any patient in need of spinal surgery. Should this not be an option, a myelography would be considered appropriate.

