

Doc accused of spinal fusion fraud surrenders medical license

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An Oregon neurosurgeon accused of performing unnecessary spinal fusion surgeries surrenders his medical license.



Former Oregon neurosurgeon Vishal James Makker surrendered his medical license this week following a state investigation into accusations that he performed unnecessary spinal fusion surgeries.

Between 2008 and 2009 Makker performed nearly 10 times more multiple spinal-fusion procedures than the average surgeon, according to a *Wall Street Journal* report.

Makker denied any wrongdoing, but surrendered his Oregon medical license, according to a [report](#) [1] from the state medical board, which characterized the surgeon's conduct as "unprofessional or dishonorable."

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