

The Lawrence D. Dorr Surgical Techniques & Technologies Award: "Running two rooms" does not compromise outcomes or patient safety in joint arthroplasty.

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The practice of scheduling concurrent surgeries—separate procedures performed at overlapping times in different operating rooms by the same surgeon—has been [identified](#) as a potential safety risk. This single-institution study found no difference in short- and long-term complication rates for concurrent joint replacement procedures compared to nonconcurrent procedures. Analysis of data from the [National Surgical Quality Improvement Program](#) also found no elevated risk to patients from concurrent surgeries.