

## TRUE/LOK Regional Training Courses

Learn the fundamental principles, techniques and application of circular fixation from Dr. Mikhail Samchukov and Dr. Alex Cherkashin. These two accomplished surgeons have a combined experience of over 40 years on circular fixation. They will be joined by other experienced circular fixation surgeons to provide you with an intimate learning experience. These courses are designed for surgeons and residents who want to explore how circular fixation can benefit their practice and patients.

### Mikhail Samchukov, M.D.

Dr. Samchukov is co-director of the Center for Excellence in Limb Lengthening and Reconstruction at TSRHC. He is an associate clinical professor in the department of orthopedics at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center and an associate clinical professor in the department of biomedical sciences at the Texas A&M University System Health Science Center. Dr. Samchukov is a graduate of Khabarovsk Medical Institute in Russia and began his career at the Ilizarov Scientific Center in Kurgan, Russia in 1982. Dr. Samchukov was recognized as a superior surgeon and scientist, and served as the Center's Deputy General Director under Professor Gavriil Ilizarov. Dr. Samchukov was recruited to the TSRHC staff in 1990. His primary research interests are in new bone formation and soft tissue adaptation under the influence of tension stress, as well as adaptation of external fixation techniques and computer-assisted preoperative planning for fracture healing, limb lengthening, deformity correction and bone transport.

### Alexander M. Cherkashin, M.D.

Dr. Cherkashin is the director of the division of clinical implementation and data management in TSRHC's Center for Excellence in Limb Lengthening and Reconstruction. He is an assistant clinical professor in the department of orthopedics at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center. Dr. Cherkashin graduated from Novosibirsk State Medical University in Russia in 1983 and began his career at the Ilizarov Scientific Center of "Restorative Traumatology and Orthopedics" in Kurgan, Russia. After being appointed head of the center's department of hip pathology in 1989, his research has been dedicated to computerized outcome studies and complications related to distraction osteogenesis. Dr. Cherkashin joined the TSRHC staff in 1995. Throughout the past 20 years, Dr. Cherkashin has been an investigator on 19 research projects related to distraction osteogenesis, computerized patient records and outcome studies.

### TRUE/LOK Regional Training Courses Dates and Locations:

#### MARCH 28-29, 2009

Denver, CO  
Adult & Pediatric Deformity Correction

#### APRIL 26-27, 2009

Houston, TX  
Adult & Pediatric Deformity Correction

#### JULY 25-26, 2009

Cleveland, OH  
Foot & Ankle

#### AUGUST 22-23, 2009

Washington, DC  
Foot & Ankle

#### OCTOBER 3-4, 2009

Los Angeles, CA  
Pediatric Deformity Correction

#### OCTOBER 25-26, 2009

Miami, FL  
Pediatric Deformity Correction

### Please visit us at any of these 2009 events...

<p><b>February</b> 11 – 14      GAPMA (Atlanta, GA) 21              Wake Forest Upper Extremity Course                     (Winston-Salem, NC) 25 – 28        AAOS (Las Vegas, NV) 26 – 1          TANS Annual Meeting (Austin, TX)</p> <p><b>March</b> 3 – 7            ACFAS (Washington, DC)</p> <p><b>April</b> 6 – 8            Society of Air Force Clinical Surgeons                     (Denver, CO) 29 – 2          POSNA (Boston, MA)</p> <p><b>May</b> 14 – 17        California Orthopedic Association's                     Annual Meeting (Santa Barbara, CA) 15 – 16        OKPMA (Tulsa, OK)</p>	<p><b>June</b> 12 – 14        Orthofix National Pediatric Course                     (Dallas, TX) 26 – 28        UCSD Limb Salvage Course (Del Mar, CA)</p> <p><b>July</b> 10 – 12        LLRS/ASAMI NA (Louisville, KY) 15 – 16        AOFAS (Vancouver, British Columbia)</p> <p><b>September</b> 1 – 5            Baltimore Limb Deformity Course 3 – 5            ASSH (San Francisco, CA) 14 – 16        CLESS – Chicago Lower Extremity                     Surgical Symposium (Chicago, IL)</p> <p><b>October</b> 8 – 10          OTA (San Diego, CA)</p> <p><b>December</b> 2 – 6            IPOS (Lake Buena Vista, FL) 9 – 13          IEFS – International External Fixation                     Symposium (San Antonio, TX)</p>
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