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Dr. Lin specializes in the care of athletes and shoulder conditions, and has extensive experience with shoulder arthroscopy, shoulder arthroplasty, and complex reconstructive and open surgery of the shoulder. Dr. Lin is an active committee member of American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgery (AAOS), American Orthopaedics Society for Sports Medicine (AOSSM), American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons (ASES), International Society Arthroscopy for Knee Trauma and Orthopaedic Sports Medicine (ISAKOS), American Orthopaedic Association (AOA), and was recently inducted to the prestigious Herodicus Society and ASES Neer Circle in 2022. He is a founding board member of the international Rotator Cuff Study Group and is a regular invited faculty member for AAOS, ASES, AOSSM, AANA, ISAKOS, and Mid Atlantic Shoulder and Elbow Surgery. He was the co-chair of the ASES Fellows' Day 2021 and 2022, and has been a co-chair of the shoulder and elbow program of the OSET Summit Meeting since 2022. In addition, he is an associate editor for JBJS Case Connector and currently serves as an editor-in-chief of Annals in Joint and on the editorial boards of KSSTA and Arthroscopy. He is a regular reviewer for AJSM, Arthroscopy, JAAOS, JSES, KSSTA, JBJS, JOR, and several other journals. Dr. Lin has currently published over 150 peer-reviewed papers and over 400 abstracts and book chapters related to clinical and basic science research on shoulder instability, rotator cuff pathology, shoulder arthroplasty, and complex shoulder conditions, and regularly presents his research as invited faculty and visiting professor at international, national, and local conferences. His papers have received numerous awards from ASES, AOSSM, and AANA. He recently completed two federally-funded NIH (R03, R21) grants as a Principal Investigator related to shoulder biomechanics research in addition to two additional current federally funded grants with the NIH (R01) and DoD as a Co-Investigator related to shoulder instability research. He is actively involved in medical school, residency, and fellowship education and currently serves as the Program Director of the Orthopaedic Residency and was prior Associate Program Director of the UPMC Sports Medicine Fellowship. He has won multiple awards related to education and mentorship of medical students at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. He is also the head orthopaedic team physician for Duquesne University and Pittsburgh Central Catholic High School.