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Dr. Cristiano Menezes is a Brazilian orthopedic spine surgeon with extensive experience in treating various conditions affecting the spine. He specializes in spinal deformities and minimally invasive spine surgery, having completed his Spine Surgery Fellowship at the renowned Texas Back Institute in Dallas, USA.

He graduated in Medicine from the Federal University of Minas Gerais – UFMG (1999) and holds a PhD in Health Sciences Applied to the Musculoskeletal System from the Faculty of Medicine at USP/Ribeirão Preto. He is a substitute professor in the Department of Locomotor Apparatus (ALO) at the Federal University of Minas Gerais UFMG, in Belo Horizonte, Brazil.

Currently, he is the head of the Spine Surgery Service at Hospital Vila da Serra, a service accredited by the Brazilian Spine Society and an international training reference center AOSpine (Columna Institute/HVS/Biocor).

He is the Director of the Columna Institute.

Dr. Menezes served as the President of the Brazilian Spine Society (SBC) in 2021/22, was also the president of the Brazilian Society of Orthopedics and Traumatology, regional Minas Gerais (SBOT-MG) for the year 2018, and vice-president of the SBC Minimally Invasive Surgery Committee (2010-12).

He has been a board member of the Brazilian Spine Society (2013-22), a member of the Board of the Brazilian Chapter of AOSpine (2020-23), and has served as a delegate, Faculty, and Chairman of several AOSpine Latin America courses. He is the Education Officer of AOSpine Latam for the period 2023-26.

He was the Regional Director for Latin America of SOLAS (Society of Lateral Access Surgery). Dr. Menezes is part of the editorial boards of the journals Coluna/Columna, SciTechnol-Journal of Spine and Neurosurgery, Brazilian Journal of Orthopedics (RBO), International Journal of Spine Surgery, and SPINE. He chaired the III Brazilian Congress of Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery, held in 2012 in Salvador/BA.

He was the President of the XV Brazilian Spine Congress, held in Belo Horizonte/MG, in 2015. Chairman of SPINE20 Brazil - Rio de Janeiro in 2024. Dr. Menezes is also a member of the Scientific Committee of various International Societies' congresses, such as SMISS (Society for Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery), ISASS (International Society for the Advancement of Spine Surgery), AOSPINE, and NASS (North American Spine Society).

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