

MR FRANCIS BROOKS MB CHB. MSC. FRCSED (TR & ORTH)

CONSULTANT **ORTHOPAEDIC SPINAL SURGEON**

EXPERT INFORMATION

GMC No: 6129519

Claimant age: 4+

Report turnaround 2-4 weeks

Face to face assessments

Remote assessments

Home visits

REPORT RATIO



50% Claimant 50% Defendant



50% Cling Neg 50% Personal Injury

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CURRENT ROLE:

Consultant Orthopaedic Spinal Surgeon Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (January 2020 - Present)

CASES RELATING TO:

Adult degenerative disorders:

- Disc prolapse/herniation
- Face joint degeneration
- Degenerative lumbar spine disease
- Osteoporosis
- Osteoporotic fracture(s)

All adult spinal conditions including:

- Trauma / tumour / infection / deformity
- RTA/Whiplash/Soft tissue injury
- Spinal fracture(s)
- Sciatica
- Cauda Equina Syndrome (CES)
- Failed Back Surgery (FBS)
- Wedge compression fractures
- Spondylolisthesis
- Cervical discectomy

Traumatic paediatric spinal injuries:

- Scheuermann's disease
- Trauma/tumour/infection/deformity

Occupational injuries:

- Back pain
- Repetitive strain injury
- Transforaminal lumbar interbody fusion (TLIF)
- Misplacement of metalwork/screws
- Septic arthritis
- Spinal epidural lipomatosis (SEL)
- Dural tear(s)
- Cervical Spinal Fluid (CSF leak)

MEDICO LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

Mr Brooks is an established Expert Witness, and has been providing medico legal assessments since 2017.

He has undertaken specialist training with Bond Solon; he has completed the **Excellence in Report Writing and holds** the Cardiff University Bond Solon Certificate.





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He is instructed by both Claimants and Defendants on personal

injury and clinical negligence cases.

Mr Brooks has completed over 500 reports with a balanced ratio of PI and Clinical Negligence cases. He is able to opine on a variety of paediatric and adult cases. with a special interest in adult degenerative spinal conditions. He currently prepares approx. 10 reports pcm with half of this caseload relating to clinical negligence claims.

Mr Books has received a number of witness summons for Court attendance but is yet to attend trial. He currently has a number of trial dates pending for 2024/2025.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

Mr Brooks is a Consultant Spinal Surgeon with two international respected fellowships. He is experienced in the treatment of all degenerative adult spinal conditions as well as trauma, tumour and infection. He provides on-call cover for traumatic paediatric spinal injuries and is one of a few surgeons in the UK who is trained in Endoscopic spinal surgery.

Mr Brooks has presented research at numerous international meetings and has been awarded the prestigious Rob Johnston Award for his research. Mr Brooks has a broad range of experience as well as an interest in clinical leadership and quality improvement.

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