SPINE CENTRE AT THE
SRH CLINIC KARLSBAD-LANGENSTEINBACH
WELCOME TO THE SRH CLINIC KARLSBAD-LANGENSTEINBACH!

More than 30 years’ experience in medicine and research have made our spine centre in Karlsbad-Langensteinbach one of the world’s leading centres of competence. The SRH Clinic is the academic teaching hospital of the Ruprecht Karls-University Heidelberg. More than 30,000 patients are treated here every year. In recent years, over 1000 international patients have undergone surgery in our spine centre. Our highly qualified, motivated staff look after our patients using the latest medical and treatment procedures. Our specialist and emergency hospital also offers orthopaedic and trauma treatments, internal medicine, neurology, vascular surgery, and psychiatry, providing medical care on the very highest level. The hospital is situated very close to Karlsruhe in the beautiful landscape on the northern edge of the Black Forest above the Rhine Valley. This location is perfect for a speedy recuperation. The clinic belongs to the SRH Holding, a leading provider of health-care and educational services with over 10,000 employees.
We specialise in the surgical treatment of all illnesses and injuries of the spinal column using a broad spectrum of advanced surgical measures (micro- and macroscopic techniques):

- Cervical spine surgery
  - Transoral surgery at the cranio-cervical transition
  - Replacement of vertebral bodies
  - Function-preserving replacement of intervertebral disks
  - Fusion operations

- Corrective surgery
  - Treatment of deformities of the spine

- Treatment of tumours, fractures and infections

- Treatment of all illnesses and injuries of the spinal column especially in infancy

- Microsurgical techniques in lumbar spine
TOBIAS PITZEN, MD, PROF.

Profession: Neurosurgeon, Head of Department.

Clinical and scientific interests and activities:
2011  Head of Department at the Department of Spine Surgery/ Neurotraumatology, SRH Klinikum Karlsbad-Langensteinbach, Germany
2008  Head of Department at the Department of Spine Surgery, SRH-Waldklinikum Gera, Germany
2000  Grant from the “Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft” to work with Prof. Dr. T.R. Oxland, Division of Orthopedic Engineering, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada.
1997  Started research into spinal biomechanics (finite element and human spinal in-vitro models)

Awards: 2006 – 2013: Dr. Pitzen is permanently listed in the FOCUS journal as one of the best spine surgeons in Germany.

GREGOR OSTROWSKI, MD

Profession: Spine surgeon, Head of Department.

Clinical and scientific interests and activities:
2011  Head of Department at the Department of Spine Surgery/ Neurotraumatology, SRH Klinikum Karlsbad-Langensteinbach, Germany
2004  Senior physician at the Department of Spine Surgery/ Neurotraumatology, SRH Klinikum Karlsbad-Langensteinbach, Germany
2001  Joined Prof. Dr. Harms at the SRH Klinikum in Karlsbad-Langensteinbach. Experience in transoral, transthoracic, transabdominal, retropleural and retroperitoneal approaches to the spine, combined anterior-posterior approaches to the spine, combined anterior-posterior spinal stabilization devices.
1997  Joined the Department for Orthopaedics, Spine Surgery and Spinal Cord Injuries of the Zentralklinik Bad-Berka, Germany

Extremly high specialized in: Deformity surgery, tumour spine surgery

MICHAEL RUF, MD, PD

Profession: Spine surgeon, Head of Department.

Clinical and scientific interests and activities:
2012  Head of Department at the Department of Spine Surgery / Traumatology, SRH Klinikum Karlsbad – Langensteinbach, Germany
2011  Designated president of the German Spine Society (Presidency 2012)
2006  Head of Department at the Center for Orthopedics and Traumatology, SRH - Zentralklinikum Suhl, Germany
2006  Consultant Spinal Surgeon at the Centre for Spinal Surgery - Orthopaedics, Traumatology and Paraplegiology, SRH Klinikum Karlsbad - Langensteinbach, Germany (Head of Department: Prof. Jürgen Harms)

Awards: 2008 – 2013: Dr. Ruf is permanently listed in the FOCUS journal as one of the best spine surgeons in Germany.
WE WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU!
**OUR SERVICES**

- International Office
- Interpreters for English, Arabic, Russian, French and Turkish
- Patient rooms with visitor accommodation
- Transfer service
- Individual menus
- Internet via wireless LAN
- International TV
- Selection of international magazines
- Prayer room
- Swimming pool
- Helipad
- And much more

**MEDICAL SPECIALITIES**

Our departments all work together on an interdisciplinary basis in order to provide our patients with the best possible treatment:

- Spine Centre
- Department of Orthopaedics
- Department of Internal Medicine
- Department of Neurology
- Department of Psychiatry
- Department of Vascular Surgery
- Diagnostic and Interventional Radiology
- Department of Anaesthesiology
- Pain Centre
- Emergency department with ambulance (EMS) and helipad

**HOSPITAL FACTS AND FIGURES**

- Experience gained from over 40,000 spine surgeries
- Over 30,000 patients every year
- Seven operating theatres
- Over 1000 employees
- Intensive Care Unit
- Stroke Unit

**INTERPRETERS**

Clear communication between medical staff and patients is essential in order to guarantee the best possible treatment and results. Furthermore, we can provide personal interpreters for our English, Arabic, French, Russian and Turkish patients if necessary. Please let us know in advance if you require this assistance.
HOW TO FIND US

**Highway Frankfurt (A5) or Baden-Baden (A5):**
highway junction Karlsruhe, direction to Stuttgart (A8), highway exit Karlsbad

**Highway from Stuttgart to Karlsruhe (A8):**
highway exit Karlsruhe

Please follow the clinic signs directed to Langensteinbach.

There are no parking fees for the first 30 minutes at our parking area next to the main entrance. In case of a longer parking duration, please pay your parking fees at our information desk or use our ticket machine.

If you need further information about a long-term parking, please do not hesitate to ask our friendly employees at the information desk.

There are more parking areas without parking fees in the area around Guttmannstraße.
The staff in our International Office will be pleased to provide you with any information you require concerning a stay in our clinic.

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