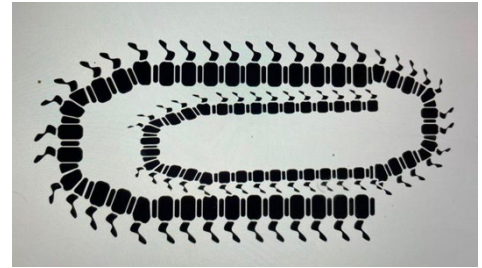




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## THE RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

1. The TRAINEE lead from each unit shall be responsible for gathering data for all spinal procedures in their unit for the data collection period (neurosurgical and orthopaedic)
2. All successful contributors shall be recognised with collaborator status on any presentations or publications. Ideally this shall result in Pubmed author status, however this cannot be guaranteed as different journals have different models by which collaborative projects are published.
3. Collaborators who fail to submit data by the six month deadline will not be deemed as having successfully participated in the project and will not be included as and recognised as collaborators.
4. The project does not require ethical approval as it is a service evaluation.
5. All collaborators will be sent information from the analysis of the data collected (locally, regionally, and nationally) so that they may be able to present it to their local trust if they wish (this is encouraged).