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Knee joint	23-27%
Multiple Sites	5-9%
Complications following surgical procedures	3-6%
Arthritis/rheumatologic disease	0.5-1%
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Benign	1-3%
Malignant	0.5-2%

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- Interpretation of Epidemiologic Information
- Study Design and Interpretation
- Hypothesis Testing and Statistical Interference
- Biology
- Biomechanics

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Spine	0.5-1%
Lumbar	0.5-1%

- Fracture/dislocation/instability
- Spinal Cord Injury Syndromes
- Herniated Nucleus Pulposus
- Arthritis, inflammatory (Rheumatoid)
- Arthritis, degenerative

Upper Extremities	1-5%
Shoulder joint	1-5%

- Dislocations/Instability
- Fracture
- Arthritis, inflammatory
- Arthritis, degenerative
- Osteonecrosis

Lower Extremities	75-79%
Pelvis	1-4%
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fractures• Tendon/muscle• Neuropathy/nerve injury	
Hip joint	43-47%
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dislocations/Instability• Fractures• Arthritis, inflammatory• Arthritis, degenerative• Tendon/tear• Cartilage• Osteonecrosis• Nerve injury/compression• Infection• Heterotopic ossification• Synovitis• Mechanical failure	
Femur	3-6%
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fractures (subtrochanteric)	
Knee joint	10-13%
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dislocations/Instability• Fracture• Arthritis, inflammatory• Arthritis, degenerative• Tendon/muscle• Cartilage meniscal• Osteonecrosis• Patellofemoral dislocation/instability	

Multiple Sites	5-9%
Complications following surgical procedures	3-6%
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thromboembolus• Deep venous thrombosis• Coagulopathy	
Arthritis/rheumatologic disease	0.5-1%
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rheumatoid• Septic	
Other	1-4%

Neoplasms (including staging)	1-5%
Benign	1-3%
Malignant	0.5-2%