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"I have been a part of the OTA mentoring program for several years now. I initially applied for the program in my first year of post-fellowship practice, seeking guidance on beginning my path as a surgeon with aspirations of accomplishing meaningful clinical and translational research. I was paired with Dr. Miclau who has been an extremely helpful mentor through the initial phases of my career growth. Coming from a position of vast experience and success, he has advised on many aspects of laboratory startup, hiring a research technician, study collaboration and funding options. He identified colleagues whom it would benefit me to discuss my research with and helped me connect with them. Furthermore, he pushed me to think critically about my goals and how specifically to achieve them. I would highly recommend the OTA mentoring program to any research minded surgeon embarking on their career."