As a neuroscience researcher and neurosurgeon for over twenty years, I have encountered many challenging ethical choices. For this presentation I will focus on three specific instances demonstrating ethical lessons I have learned in leadership within the neurosciences. Specifically, these fall along the themes of knowing your limits of what you can achieve as a neurosurgeon, giving credit to and respecting the team with which you work in the operating room, and acknowledging your own fallibility. By reflecting on these instances, I will discuss leadership techniques that help to address these ethical issues. Moving forward, leadership in neurosciences must address the ethical issue of coping with unforeseen circumstances as they affect our patients.

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