



# ACU Hand Surgeons' NEWSLETTER

May 2024, Issue 1

## To start

The Jixia Forum will enter its 10<sup>th</sup> year in coming June. I have been thinking about what may be new in the coming years after the 10<sup>th</sup> forum. Consequently, I decided to hand over the organization and entire program related matters to Dr Jing Chen. He will primarily responsible for the details of programs each year in the coming 5 years. He will be in this role for at least 5 years. He may decide to extend his role beyond that. He will invite a co-chair for each of these coming forums, and train any future potential program chairs.

I realize very little has been known outside about Chinese-speaking hand surgeons despite tremendous patient volume and other activities. I decided to start a newsletter in English that can be read in English-speaking world widely. This newsletter may have a Chinese-version for Chinese-speaking colleagues. The newsletter will be twice a year (May and November), each of 4 pages in the start. Among the 4 pages, the first page and half of page 2 will be about news, the other half of the page 2 "Joy and Relaxation", the page 3 "Stories about colleagues" and page 4 posters or announcements of "Future Events".

All colleagues are welcome to contribute to these 4 sections. I will write all for this inaugural issue. I expect I will hand this newsletter to somebody after 2 years, who then will carry on for at least 5 years. He or she may decide to maintain these sections or expand the contents.

I wish the best for this newsletter. Bon Voyage!

Jin Bo Tang  
May 11, 2024

## SIX COLLEAGUES ATTENDED THE FIRST IFSSH MID-TERM COURSE

Six colleagues from Xian and Shandong Provinces traveled across the globe to 1<sup>st</sup> IFSSH Mid-term Course held January 31 - February 3, 2024 organized by Ecuadorian Society of Hand Surgery (ECUMANO) in Quito, Ecuador. A total of 493 colleagues from 25 countries.

The new Quito Metropolitan Convention Centre was a perfect venue, set 2850 meters above sea level in a valley surrounded by the Andes. The IFSSH-sponsored keynote speakers Don Lalonde, Amy Moore, Andrea Atzei, Marc Garcia Elias, and Chaitanya Mudgal, provided masterclass lectures on 5 major fields: Biomechanics and basic Sciences, Arthroscopy, Nerve and Microsurgery, Fractures and Osteosynthesis, and WALANT.

The course party was held in Mitad del Mundo on equator, with great food and splendid dance with local people. Dr Xiaoju Zheng from Xian and Dr Chao Chen from Jinan served as invited speakers.

The Mid-term Course is a major event of IFSSH. The second will be held 3 years later in Europe.



## Colleagues Attended The 67<sup>th</sup> JSSH Congress in Nara

A large team of colleagues from Yangzhou, Xian, Nantong and Shandong Provinces traveled to Nara to attend the 67<sup>th</sup> Congress of Japanese Society for Surgery of the Hand (JSSH) held April 25 - 26, 2024. A total of 1900 colleagues from Japan and other countries attended the congress.

The congress chair is Professor Sheohei Omokawa of Nara Medical University. The team of Yangzhou led by Dr Jiaxian Gu, that of Xian led by Dr Xiaojun Zhen and that of Jinan led by Dr Zeng Tao Wang made 10 oral presentations. Dr Zeng Tao Wang delivered 60 minutes lunch session lecture on microsurgical digital reconstruction. Dr Kevin Chung delivered invited lecture (60 min) on clinical research methods and Dr Jin Bo Tang delivered invited lecture (60 min) on 10 hypotheses in hand surgery.

The presidential dinner was held in historic Nara Hotel and welcome party was a buffet dinner in the congress venue. This is the first time that a large team of colleagues from mainland China attended JSSH congress.

Before the JSSH, Dr Zhen Tao Wang and other colleagues visited Kono Company in Tokyo city and Chiba Prefecture.



**NEWS IN BRIEF:**  
ACU (with principle recipients: Jing Chen and Qianqian Yang) obtained an IFSSH grant in May 2024 under the title of "Regional workshops in Western China" for traveling to 3 cities to organize seminars and workshops for one week.

## Joy and Relaxation

I wish to show a few of the dishes enjoyed in the visit in Tokyo and Nara. The upper two are dishes in a Japanese restaurant in Tokyo and lower two are a dish and a desert in the presidential dinner in Nara Hotel. These are not traditional Japanese food, but artistic presentation of the dishes with Japanese food, which are impressive and enjoyable.



## Stories of colleagues



Only when I was sitting in the train from Tokyo to Nara, Japan, with Dr Zeng Tao Wang, I learnt more details how Dr Wang managed to maintain the website “[handsurgery.cn](http://handsurgery.cn)” for 25 years.

With the increasingly important roles and unparalleled efficiency of online education and information exchange in the recent decade, the website has been the largest and most comprehensive in Chinese language in this profession and plays an important role in educating many colleagues across the mainland China. Many colleagues perhaps consider it a website made and own by a big team, but, in fact it is majorly out of personal efforts which aim to establish a platform for many colleagues, especially those who seek different opinions of treating difficult or particular cases, sharing experience of surgical techniques, and exchanging information about academic conferences and courses.

The efforts of Dr Wang are extraordinary, as this is a website largely funded by himself for helping those who need education. This website has served as an important tool and platform of education and professional development, and has regularly attracted thousands of viewers and visitors. Some of currently active and prominent hand surgeons grew up with the help of this website. The website houses a large number of online posts of cases and related discussion, technical communications, and notice of professional events, such as international and domestic congresses, courses, cadaveric dissection and journal clubs.

It is hard to imagine Dr Wang has maintained this website through his own momentary contribution, time, and the continuing efforts of assembling a team to maintain quality of this website (likely he need to pay webmaster’s salary). Without external research fund for the website, as a true lover of surgery and with a big heart of helping patients, Dr Wang and his team managed to maintain this website since 1998 with themselves’ money and time.

I include a picture of Dr Wang taken in the train on April 24, 2024 from Kyoto to Nara to congratulate on his 25<sup>th</sup> year of running the [handsurgery.cn](http://handsurgery.cn) out of his own love of the profession, passion of professional education and his devotion to many colleagues’ growing-up in a quarter of century!

## Future events

# ACU

5<sup>th</sup> Meeting of  
Association of Chinese-Speaking Hand Surgeons United

10<sup>th</sup>  
Jixia Forum of Hand Surgery

Meeting Program

<https://acu.handsurgery.cn/page/future-meetings>

June 8-9, 2024

Hangzhou, China

An ancient capital city with  
superb scenery in eastern China

Program chairs:

Dr Jing Chen

[moshengren1013@163.com](mailto:moshengren1013@163.com)

Dr You Mao Zheng

[12209411@qq.com](mailto:12209411@qq.com)

Host:

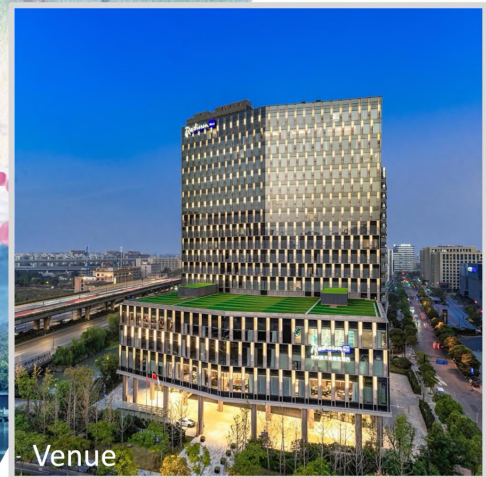
Dr You Mao Zheng

Venue: Radisson Blu Xintiandi, Hangzhou

Tel: +86 571 28058888

<https://www.radissonhotels.com/en-us/hotels/radisson-blu-hangzhou-xintiandi>

Major features: Hybrid on-site and online since 2016 (>6,000 free-access online attendees).  
Ample on-site discussion, debates, and online posts of questions.



Venue

Post-publication peer discussion, comment and  
review on articles in

HAND  
SURGERY

直播时间: 2024年5月15日 20:00-21:30

# Journal Club

会议主持

南通大学附属医院 邢树国

山东省立医院 陈超

讨论嘉宾 邢树国 陈超 王立 张航 方杰 陈延荣

