



ACU Hand Surgeons' NEWSLETTER

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Western China Seminars and Workshop in 2024

From 19-23 June, 2024, Western China Seminars and Workshop were carried out in two provinces in western and middle parts of China, with about 100 attendees. Each of these seminars was held inside the host hospital, with relevant questions and answers, live demonstrations and patient consultations.

The hosts of these events regularly treat large numbers of patients at each hand surgery unit with 10-20 attending hand surgeons. They have greatly benefited from such an education format. Workshops were focused on tendon repair techniques, splint making and rehabilitation methods after flexor and extensor tendon repairs.

Among the faculties at the Western China Seminars and Workshop were Drs. Jin Bo Tang, Jing Chen, Qing Zhong Chen and Shu Guo Xing from The Affiliated Hospital of Nantong University, Nantong, Jiangsu, and Dr. Xiao Ju Zhen from Xian Fengcheng Hospital of Xian City. The project leaders were Drs. Jing Chen and Qian Qian Yang, and Zhen coordinated the hosts of these hospitals. IFSSH sponsored the transportation to these hospitals for this project. This project will be repeated in the future.



5TH ACU MEETING & 10TH JIXIA FORUM

HELD IN HANGZHOU, JUNE 8-9, 2024

June 2024 was a busy month for the colleagues of the Association of Chinese-speaking Hand Surgeons United (ACU). The 10th Jixia Forum and the 5th ACU Meeting were held on 8 and 9 June in the city of Hangzhou, attended by both on-site and online attendees. As a tradition of this Forum, ample time was reserved for discussion after each presentation. The format of the Forum of this year was expanded to include on-site journal clubs, presentations about senior influential hand surgeons (Drs. De Shi and Cheng Qi Wang), who contributed to hand surgery development a few decades ago. The Forum also included reviews and presentations of recent activities of ACU colleagues in international congresses and courses.

The night session was another highlight of this Forum, being from 7:30 to 10:30 pm, with presentations from 4 active hand surgeons followed by case discussion. Coffee, beer, and snacks were provided at the back of the conference hall to offer a more relaxing and enjoyable atmosphere of this night session. Microsurgical lymphatic surgery was a major topic in the evening session by our host, Dr. You Mao Zhen, an expert and active investigator on lymphatic surgery. The 5th ACU Congress was held the next day, with peripheral nerve compression, PIP joint fractures, and metacarpal fractures as main symposium topics, and free papers covering all aspects of hand surgery. Two major lectures were given by our Taiwanese colleague (Dr. Ren Tian Shi) of Taipei on wrist surgery and by an expert on pediatric hand surgery (Dr. Xiao Fei Tian).



ACU Association of Chinese-Speaking Hand Surgeons United

5th Meeting of
10th Jixia Forum of Hand Surgery

Hangzhou, China
An ancient capital city with superb scenery in eastern China

Meeting Program
<https://acu.handurgery.cn/page/future-meetings>

June 8-9, 2024

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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.

Fig.2

ACU Colleagues Attended FESSH Congress in Rotterdam

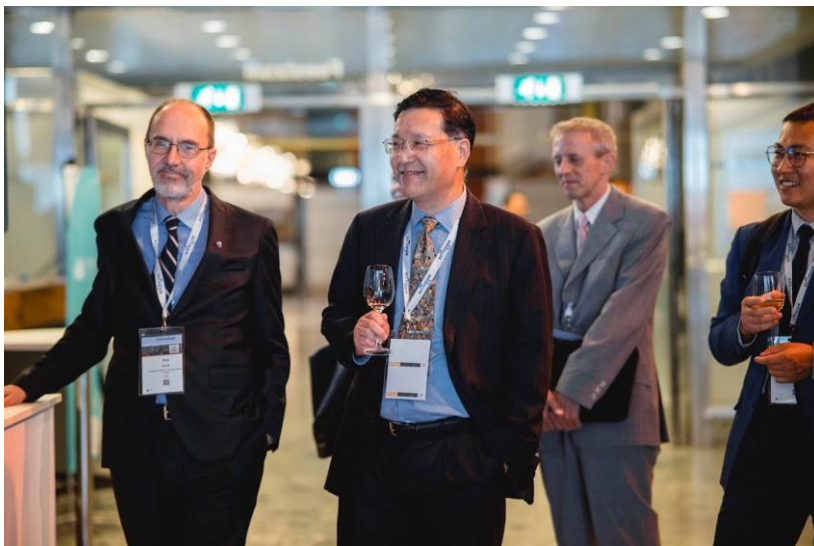


A team of ACU colleagues from Nantong, Jinan, Shaoxi and Beijing presented their work in the FESSH Congress held in Rotterdam this year. A total of 2900 colleagues from many countries attended the congress.

The topics covered by ACU members include academic writings, tendon repairs, soft tissue reconstruction and digital reconstruction. Dr Jing Chen attend IFSSH council meeting as a representative of the ACU. The ACU members also attended JHSE reviewers' reception (picture below).

FESSH congress party has always been a highlight, in which Dr Chao Chen, Jing Chen and Jin Bo Tang attended. This time the venue of the party is close to a harbor area, a great site to explore the culture of the largest harbor in the Europe. Rotterdam provides an ideal site to explore culture of this vibrant city and country.

Each year, the FESSH congress contains free papers and lectures from ACU members and this year's FESSH congress is a coming back to the pre-Covid time, with new and young attendees from ACU.



NEWS IN BRIEF:

Four sessions of the Hand Surgery Journal Clubs were organized by ACU in 2024 with Dr Shu Guo Xing as organizer.

Dr Jin Bo Tang gave Moberg lecture in Denmark in Aug 21-23, 2024, and lectured in Big Hand Event on September 27, 2024 in Utrecht, The Netherlands.

Drs Jing Chen and Jin Bo Tang edited 2 chapters of Handthology, an online book in ASSH website.

Joy and Relaxation

Rotterdam is a modern city, because most of the old buildings were bombed in World War II. The city was mostly rebuilt with modern architecture. Here below I show a few pictures. The first is called "Bowel". This is a big bowel, but it is actually a museum inside. The lower two pictures are boats on the rivers; many of them are hotels, so quite a lot of visitors or congress attendees stay in these hotels inside boats.



Stories of colleagues

The IFSSH Patrons of Hand Surgery

We acknowledge the generous donations to date and thank the donors for their commitment to furthering the work of the IFSSH:

Super Platinum	Dr S. Raja Sabapathy - India
Platinum	Dr Francisco del Pinal - Spain Dr Qing Zhong Chen - China Prof David Warwick - United Kingdom Dr Daniel Nagle - USA Prof Gregory Bain - Australia
Gold	Dr Praveen Bhardwaj - India
Silver	-
Bronze	Name withheld – New Zealand



Renji Hospital, Zhengzhou, Henan Province, June 19, 2024

Dr Qing Zhong Chen from our association became one of the first “Patron of Hand Surgery of IFSSH”. He joined the list of senior hand surgeons in at the Platinum level Patron in the current IFSSH website.

Dr Chen is a speaker and faculty in the Western China Course in June this year and witnessed how IFSSH teaching course benefited the hand surgeons in the region. It thus is his wish to donate to help similar programs and courses, not only in China, but also internationally.

Dr Chen has strong interest in soft tissue repair and extensor tendon, tendon transfers, and wish to determine to increase the clinical standard of these disorders. He is also currently a PhD student on soft tissue repair and tendon injuries. He has published on soft tissue repair of the hand and is working on projects clinically and experimentally.

IFSSH recently launched the Patron Program. Dr Chen, a young and mid-career surgeon, set a brilliant example for those surgeons who wish to promote education and training of hand surgery.

Dr Chen also wish to continue to teach in training courses in different regions and help those hand surgery colleagues working in very needed regions to improve patient care.

Future events

ACU

11th
Jixia Forum of Hand Surgery

1st ACU Workshop of
Association of Chinese-Speaking Hand Surgeons United

Meeting Program

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

June 14, 2025

Yixing, China

A paradise with bamboo forests, lakes,
 and karst caves in eastern China

ACU Members' presentations in Symposiums and Courses of IFSSH Congress, March 24-29, 2025, Washington, DC

Zengtao Wang			
Session	Presentation Title	Presentation Start Date/Time	Presentation End Date/Time
Surgeon SYM02: Orthoplastic Reconstruction	Thumb and Finger Reconstructions	03-25-2025 7:24 AM	03-25-2025 7:36 AM
Jun Tan			
Surgeon SYM73: Forearm	Forearm Nonunions: Use of Vascularized Bone Grafts	03-28-2025 10:10 AM	03-28-2025 10:20 AM
Shu Guo Xing			
Surgeon SYM22: Nerve Compression	Pathophysiology of Compression Neuropathy	03-26-2025 7:05 AM	03-26-2025 7:15 AM
Jing Chen			
Surgeon SYM13: Soft Tissue Reconstruction	Fancy with the Fingers (Arterialized Venous Flaps, Free Lateral Great Toe, SUBRA)	03-25-2025 9:41 AM	03-25-2025 9:50 AM
Jin Bo Tang			
Surgeon IC07: Update on Tendon Injuries of the Hand and Wrist	Small Incisions, Pulley Venting, Strong Core Suture With Fewer Epitenon Sutures for Tendon Repairs	03-25-2025 5:01 PM	03-25-2025 5:15 PM
Surgeon PRE03: WALANT	How and Why to Start WALANT Minor Procedure Room Surgery in the Hospital	03-24-2025 8:32 AM	03-24-2025 8:40 AM
Surgeon SYM03: Flexor Tendon Reconstruction	Current Variants in Flexor Tendon Reconstruction	03-25-2025 7:41 AM	03-25-2025 7:50 AM
Surgeon SYM17: Tendon	Tendon-Bone Junction Repair	03-25-2025 1:40 PM	03-25-2025 1:50 PM
Surgeon SYM65: Hand in Art	Hands in Patagonian Art	03-28-2025 7:20 AM	03-28-2025 7:28 AM