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**The World Society For Reconstructive Microsurgery**

Central Office

20 North Michigan Avenue

Chicago, IL 60602, USA

**Dear Chairman and Secretary- General of WSRM,**

Modern microsurgery has developed rapidly in the last 50 years, especially in the 1970s and 1980s. China, being one of the birthplace of modern microsurgery, has produced several world- renowned microsurgeons, a prime example being Professor Chen Zhongwei who performed the first successful limb replantation in history. Chinese microsurgeons have pioneered some of the most widely used and versatile flaps in the field of microsurgery, including Second toe- to- hand transfer, the so- called “Chinese” flap or Radial forearm flap and the Anterolateral thigh flap. We have also made huge contributions in the fields of brachial plexus injury and microvascular lymphatic reconstruction.

We have always wanted to invite the World Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery to China to give us a chance to showcase our achievements in the field of microsurgery to the rest of the world. We would also like to take the opportunity to learn from renowned international microsurgeons. Together we can better serve human kind with our expertise and push microsurgery to greater heights and broader fields. Chinese people are warm and friendly by nature and we would very much like to foster stronger ties with the international community. Shanghai was awarded the right to host the 10<sup>th</sup> IMS meeting in 1989 but the meeting was cancelled due to political reasons and this has always been the regret of the Chinese microsurgical community.

Our determination and passion from microsurgery remains as strong as ever and we are formally applying to the WSRM Committee to be the host country for the 2017 meeting. We sincerely hope the WSRM Committee would consider our application and bring the society back to the birthplace of microsurgery and let China rejoin the international microsurgery community.



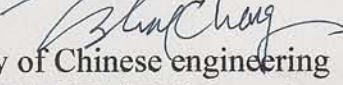
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The application is jointly submitted by *Chinese Society of Microsurgery (CSM)*, *Chinese Society of Plastic Surgery (CSPS)*, *Chinese Society of Hand Surgery (CSHS)* and *Chinese Society of Reparative and Reconstructive Surgery (CSRRS)*. It represents the dream of all the microsurgeons in China and if we succeed, it will be a tremendous boost to microsurgery in China. We assure you that 2017 WSRM will be the Olympics of the international microsurgical community.

Sincerely,

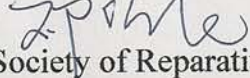
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