

Next-Generation Supermicrosurgery Consortium

14th Virtual Conference

The Future of Surgery: Echoes of Flow: A New Technology for Mapping Blood Vessel Architecture through Blood Flow Sound

TUE, May 21, 2024, 18:00 - 20:00 (JST)

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Opening speech

The latest insights on super microsurgery

Isao Koshima, MD, PhD

Professor and Center Chief, Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, International Center for Lymphedema, Hiroshima University Hospital

Subcutaneous vascular navigation free skin valve surgery with new technology: combining photoacoustic imaging and medical projection mapping.

Itaru Tsuge, MD, PhD

Senior Lecturer, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine and Faculty of Medicine, Kyoto University

New Technology for Lymphatic Vessel Delineation: Photoacoustic 3D Imaging and Lymphedema Therapy in Practice

Toshiro Mese MD

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■ Registration and Fees : <https://cpk.jp/reg/2>

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Outline

In reconstructive surgeries following mastectomy due to breast cancer or for the repair of defects caused by trauma, procedures have been performed to enhance patients' quality of life by transplanting blood vessels along with soft and pliable skin from areas such as the thigh or abdomen. Until now, determining the suitable donor site for transplantation has relied heavily on the experience and judgment of surgeons, often involving the assessment of the condition of subcutaneous blood vessels and lymphatic vessels using techniques such as ultrasound.

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During surgery, new technologies such as medical projection mapping, which projects images onto the surgical field, and subcutaneous vascular navigation with free flap surgery have been established. Additionally, the PreFlap algorithm has been developed to convert three-dimensional vascular information into a two-dimensional map. In the rapidly advancing field of technology development, effective utilization of imaging techniques is expanding the possibility of achieving safe and minimally invasive surgeries by supporting microsurgery, leading to faster and less burdensome procedures for patients.

Dr. Toshiro Mese will introduce the utilization of this imaging technology in patients who developed lymphedema after surgery for uterine and ovarian cancer. He will present the current status of lymphedema treatment and the photoacoustic imaging device based on images obtained before and three months after lymphaticovenous bypass surgery, as well as future utilization methods.

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Supplementary Information [Career & Achievements]



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2019 Graduated from Tottori University School of Medicine
2019 Fukuyama Municipal Hospital Initial Resident
2021 Medical doctor, International Lymphedema Treatment Center, Hiroshima University Hospital
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