



Curriculum Vitae

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Dr. Isao Koshima is Professor and Chief of International Center for Lymphedema, Hiroshima University Hospital. He received his general surgical training at Tokyo Women's Medical School, followed by a resident and chief resident training at the University of Tokyo. After that, he practiced as a Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeon at Tsukuba university hospital, Kawasaki medical school hospital, and Okayama university hospital before he returned to Tokyo University as a senior surgeon, department chief, and full professor. After retirement from Tokyo University, he continued his clinical practice at Hiroshima university hospital. In his carries, more than 3000 free tissue transfers since 1980 and he published more than 200 original English papers. He was honored ASRM Buncke lecture and ASPS Maliniac lecture, both in 2014. He was the president of the World Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery (WSRM) between 2017 and 2019, also found International Course on SuperMicrosurgery (ICSM) to promote the technique and the knowledge in supermicrosurgery.

Prof Koshima is a very talented surgeon, innovator, and pioneer in many aspects of microsurgery. His clinical practice involves various reconstructive surgeries, including hand and extremity trauma, reconstruction for cancer surgery, surgical treatment of lymphedema, and, more recently, application of supra-microsurgery in cancer treatments, and the capillary and nerve flaps for tiny defect reconstruction. First of all, he is one of the pioneers of supra-microsurgery since more than 30 years ago when he started to perform a lymphatic venous anastomosis (LVA) in lymphatic vessels less than 0.8 mm for the treatment of primary or secondary lymphedema. He also invented small lymphatic tissue carrying flaps from the first dorsal metacarpal artery from the dorsal foot and thoracodorsal vessels. Unlike most of the lymph node flaps that contain large soft tissue and skin flap, Prof Koshima performs it in an aesthetic way by performing super-microsurgical transfer of the lymph node only with anastomosis of its tiny vessels and lymphatic vessels. Along with the development of diagnostic tools and fin instruments, his concept of LVA and lymphatic tissue-carrying flaps has now been proven and widely accepted as the first option for lymphedema treatment. He is also one of the pioneers of perforator flaps, for example, the free DIEP flap, which is one of the most commonly applied perforator flaps nowadays, is created from his innovation. Another well know flap, the SCIP flap, is also popularized from his innovation and application. He extended his concept of lymphedema in systemic immunity modulation, for example, the application of LVA in the treatment of angiosarcoma. This is one of his more recent interests and innovations. Other recent interests from him include the application of capillary perforator flaps, neurovascular perforator flaps, and the innovative surgical technique and design of surgical instruments to allow nano-microsurgery to happen. He also devoted himself to the modification and the innovative design of surgical instruments and surgical simulation systems, such as the laparoscopic practice system to allow microsurgery in a minimally invasive way.

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Throughout his career, Prof Koshima keeps showing us his enthusiasm for supermicrosurgeries. We believe that he will continue to amaze us and teach us new concepts and open a new door for us in the field of reconstructive microsurgery.