



# ICHTS e-Update

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## I. Membership and Meeting and Leadership Meeting at ORS in New Orleans

The 56th Annual Meeting of the Orthopaedic Research Society was held between March 6 and 9, 2010 at Morial Convention Center, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. ICHTS organized Membership Meeting and Leadership Meeting on March 6. Before the academic events, ORS board invited China delegation with CORS/COA members who were also members of ICHTS leadership teams from China and Hong Kong as special guests to ORS Board Meeting in the afternoon of March 6 for exploring Sino-US collaborations in Orthopaedic Research (Fig. 1).



**Fig 1.** ORS Board met China delegation on March 5, 2010 in New Orleans. The First row from left to right: Dr. Xiaoling Zhang (member of Women's Committee), Dr. Clare M. Rimnac (incoming ORS president), Dr. Ling QIN (ICHTS president), Dr. Regis J. O'Keefe (ORS President), Dr. Huiling Yang (member of China Development Committee and member of Translational Medicine Committee).

### ICHTS membership meeting

2010 ICHTS Membership Meeting was chaired by Dr. Xiaodu Wang, Program Committee Chair. Over 120 members attended the meeting in the evening of March 6, 2010 at Morial Convention Center. The program covered the following topics:

1) "How to get the first job in academia or industry?" The panel discussers were Drs. Wang Fei, Yixian Qin, Linda Ma, David Ke, and Ed Guo. The past ORS president Dr. David Burr also attended the meeting and interacted with panelists and our ICHTS members with a purpose of promoting musculoskeletal research and career development (Fig. 2).



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Fig. 2. The past ORS president Dr. David Burr attended ICHTS membership meeting and interacted with ICHTS members.

2) Announcement of Webster Jee Young Investigator Awards. A total of four awardees were selected by a specially appointed selection committee declaring no conflict of interests with the rated abstracts. Each awardee gave a short presentation subsequently (Fig. 3). The selection criteria for this twice-a-year award at either ORS or ASBMR are:

- a) current ICHTS member;
- b) first author of the accepted abstract; c) current graduate student, medical student, or post-doc or equivalent, junior faculty and professionals who obtained Ph.D. or M.D. less than 5 years; and 4) has not received the Award previously.



Fig. 3. Four young scientists received the 2010 ICHTS Webster Jee Young Investigator Awards from Dr. Xiaodu Wang. They are outstanding musculoskeletal biologists or biomedical engineers (From left to right:: Baoli Wang/University of Rochester, Victor YL Leung/University of Hong Kong, Christopher Price/University of Delaware, and Andrew Baik/ Columbia University)

3) Report from ICHTS president: Dr. Ling QIN (HK) updated each Committee's duties and works accomplished in the past 6 months, including 1) Update of ICHTS committee activities; 2) Update of membership and its directory; 3) Implementation of ICHTS lifetime member; 4) Joint center in China; 5) Society souvenirs; 6) Society journals; and 7) Upcoming educational programs. Dr. Qin' presentation is available on ICHTS website at [www.ichts.org](http://www.ichts.org).



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## II. ICHTS Society Song

Dr. Chi Zhang, a member of China Development Committee composed the society song for ICHTS that aims to inspire ICHTS members to contribute to global musculoskeletal research, education and service, from bench to bed site (Fig. 4).



Fig. 4. ICHTS society song. Details are available at ICHTS website [www.ichts.org](http://www.ichts.org) or <http://www.liuxueliang.com/huige-2010-tan-xls.htm>

## III. ICHTS Membership Updates

In the past 3 months, 7 new members and 2 new Lifetime Members joined ICHTS. How to join ICHTS as a Lifetime Member and the related benefits can be found in ICHTS website ([www.ichts.org](http://www.ichts.org)).

## IV. Collaborations

ICHTS and IBMS (International Bone & Mineral Society) agreed to distribute each other's News Letters. IBMS News Letters are available at BoneKey (<http://www.bonekey-ibms.org>). This collaboration will benefit members of both societies. ICHTS members can access educational resources from IBMS, including a teaching slide set on clinical osteoporosis, webinars of meetings, and other features at no cost.

## V. ICHTS Upcoming Major Events in 2010

1. **June 2010:** ICHTS will co-organize 2010 Shanghai Orthopaedic Translational Research (OTR) Conference in Shanghai, China in June 26-28, 2010. Drs. KR Dai and TT Tang, the past and current ICHTS Board Directors, respectively, are the hosts of this event (Fig. 5).



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Fig. 5. 2010 ORT Conference will take place in Shanghai from June 26-28, 2010.

2. **July 2010:** ICHTS will co-organize 2010 Shanghai Orthopaedic Biomechanics Workshop (OBW) with Shanghai Jiaotong University in July 23-24, 2010 (Fig. 6)



## October 2010:

a). October 15-19: ICHTS membership meeting at 2010ASBMR Annual Meeting in Toronto, Canada. Dr. Hong Zhou has been nominated to organize the Membership meeting, with the help of local chairpersons. The meeting date and venue will be determined shortly and announced separately, together will call for Webster Jee Awards.

b). October 25-27: 2010 ICOBR pre-congress workshop in Guangdong Medical Collage, Dongguan (40minuts driving from Shenzhen). 1) Dr. Webster Jee and Dr. Ling Qin (HK) will co-chair this workshop. Details can be found at [www.icht.org](http://www.icht.org) and [www.gdmc.edu.cn](http://www.gdmc.edu.cn); 2) Deadline for abstract submission is July 1<sup>st</sup> and abstracts will be published in BoneKey (to be edited by Dr. Hong-Wen Deng, Vice Chairman of Board Directors of ICHTS).



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c). October 28-30: In collaboration with Chinese Medical Association (CMA) and International Society of Bone and Mineral Society (IBMS), ICHTS will organize 2010 ICOBR in Shenzhen, an important economic special region next to Hong Kong and Macao. Details of 2010 ICOBR are available at homepages: [www.csobmr.org.cn/icobr2010](http://www.csobmr.org.cn/icobr2010), [www.IBMS.org](http://www.IBMS.org), or [www.ICHTS.org](http://www.ICHTS.org). Abstract submission deadline is July 1<sup>st</sup> and accepted abstracts will be published in BONE (Fig. 7).



Fig. 7: ICOBR Flyer that will also be printed at back page in BONE.

d). October ICHTS retreat and Board Meeting in China. It has been decided to last for two days (Nov 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010) immediately after ICOBR in Shenzhen. Chairman of Board Director Dr. Qian Chen will organize the board meeting and prepare the agenda. Dr. Ling Qin (HK) (ICHTS president) and Dr. ZZ John Yuan of local committee of ICOBR, and Dr. Hong Zhou (ICHTS Women's Committee Chairman) are arranging the associated

## VI. Publications

1) Journal of Orthopaedic Surgery and Research (JOSR) is calling for high quality clinical and basic research papers as well as review articles. JOSR is the official journal of the Chinese Speaking Orthopaedic Society and the International Chinese Hard Tissue Society. It is an online journal (<http://www.josr-online.com/>). In the past 3 months ICHTS has organized a series of review articles that were submitted to JOSR for publication.

2) Medical Biomechanics 《医用生物力学》 was recently indexed in by Ei (Engineering Index) Compendex in USA. Congratulations! Online submission is welcome at: [www.mechanobiology.cn/ch/index.aspx](http://www.mechanobiology.cn/ch/index.aspx). Chief Editor of the book is Prof. KR Dai, one of the ICHTS past board directors in Shanghai.



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## VII. Members' Recognitions

- 1) Dr. Di Chen (University of Rochester) was invited as a regular member of NIH SBSR study section, starting from October 1, 2009. His term for this service will be 2009-2013.
- 2) Dr. Di Chen was invited as an editorial board member of *Arthritis Research & Therapy* (2009-) and *Journal of Biological Chemistry* (2010-2015).
- 3) Dr. Ling Qin of the Chinese University of Hong Kong and President of ICHTS was appointed Director of Translational Medicine Research & Development Center, Institute of Biomedical and Health Engineering, Shenzhen Institutes of Advanced Technology, Chinese Academy of Sciences in Shenzhen, Guangdong Province, China ([www.siat.cas.cn](http://www.siat.cas.cn))
- 4) Dr. Zhou Hong was awarded two 4 years NHMRC Project Grants and one 3 years NHMRC project Grant in Australia.
- 5) New Investigator Recognition Awards (NIRAs): On March 8, 2010, ORS New Investigator Research Award was given to Dr. HB Lu and Dr. SL Peng from China.

## VIII. Job and Education Opportunities

- 1) Principal investigator is searched by Orthopaedic Research Institute of Suzhou University. For details, please contact Prof. HL Yang ([suzhouspine@163.com](mailto:suzhouspine@163.com)).
- 2) Principal investigator is searched by Translational Medicine Research & Development Center, Institute of Biomedical and Health Engineering, Shenzhen Institutes of Advanced Technology, Chinese Academy of Sciences in Shenzhen, Guangdong Province, China (Website: [www.siat.cas.cn](http://www.siat.cas.cn)). For details, please contact Prof. L Qin ([lingqin@cuhk.edu.hk](mailto:lingqin@cuhk.edu.hk))
- 3) Multiple postdoctoral positions are available in the Human Genetics and Genomics Program at the University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) School of Medicine. Research experience in at least one of the following areas is desired: human genetics or genomics, proteomics, population genetics, pharmacogenomics, and bone molecular genetics. Interested candidates please contact Dr. Hong-Wen Deng at [dengh@umkc.edu](mailto:dengh@umkc.edu).
- 4) Postdoctoral fellow: Several postdoctoral positions are available at Dr. Xu Cao's in John Hopkins. Application shall be sent to: Dr. Xu Cao (Ph.D), Lee Riley Professor and Co-Director Center for Musculoskeletal Research Johns Hopkins University, Email: [xcao11@jhmi.edu](mailto:xcao11@jhmi.edu)
- 5) Welcome to apply for Hong Kong Ph.D Fellowship Scheme via <http://www.ugc.edu.hk/eng/rgc/hkphd/>.
- 6) One 2-year Postdoctoral fellow position is available to study roles of dietary and physical factors influencing functions of adipocytes, osteoblasts and osteoclasts. The current salary for the position is from \$57,408 to \$74,628. **U.S. citizenship is required.** Please contact Dr. Jay Cao at [jay.cao@ars.usda.gov](mailto:jay.cao@ars.usda.gov).



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## IX. Message from ICHTS publication Committee

Dear members and colleagues:

A new email account ([ichts.update@gmail.com](mailto:ichts.update@gmail.com)) has been set up for you to submit or share information in ICHTS E-newsletter. You may send any of the following materials to this email account for distribution:

ICHTS major meetings and events.

Grant awards and/or major publications that are thought to be of high scientific and/or social impact.

Members recognitions.

Job and education opportunities.

Others.

Thanks!

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