

Prof. Robert Korst: PORT in completely resected thymoma—more observation is needed

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The 6th Annual International Thymic Malignancy Interest Group (ITMIG) Meeting in Shanghai on Oct 23–25 came to a close with a resounding success. It was marked by exciting sessions, scientific progress and further development of relationships and collaborations among clinicians, researchers and industry partners.

In the conference, Prof. Robert Korst has given a speech on “Post Operative Radiation Therapy in Completely Resected Thymoma”. *Journal of Visualized Surgery* was honored to conduct an interview with Prof. Korst to further share the recent advancement of thymic tumor research (Figures 1,2).

The full report and abstracts for the conference has been published as a supplement issue in *Journal of Thoracic Disease*: <http://www.jthoracdis.com/issue/view/158>.

Introduction

Prof. Korst is board certified in surgery and thoracic surgery, and he received his medical degree from the University of Connecticut School of Medicine in 1989. He completed a general surgery internship at Hartford Hospital, Ct., in 1990. Midway through his residency at the University of Connecticut Integrated Program in General Surgery, Farmington, Ct., Dr. Korst went to the National Institutes of Health’s Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute in 1992 as a research fellow in genetics. Before coming to Valley, Dr. Korst was a member of the departments of Cardiothoracic Surgery and Genetic Medicine at New York-Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical Center.

Interview questions

- From your presentation about efficacy of Post Operative Radiation Therapy in Completely Resected Thymoma, what



Figure 1 Prof. Robert Korst with *Journal of Visualized Surgery* (JOVS) editor.



Figure 2 Interview with Prof. Robert Korst (1).

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- is the key message you would like to convey to the audience?
- How would you comment on the recent development of thymic tumor research?
- What is your expectation for future international collaboration in thymic tumor research?
- What is your impression for the ITMIG 2015 annual conference?

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