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Renowned, Pittsburgh, Orthopaedic Surgeon, Freddie H. Fu, MD, DSc (Hon), DPs (Hon), Inducted into AOSSM Hall of Fame

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO – Freddie H. Fu, MD will be inducted into the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine’s (AOSSM) Hall of Fame on Friday, July 8th, during the Society’s Annual Meeting in Colorado Springs, CO. AOSSM Hall of Famers are individuals who have made a substantial contribution to the sports medicine field.

Dr. Fu is a Past AOSSM President and the David Silver Professor and Chairman of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. He specializes in sports medicine and holds secondary appointments as Professor of Physical Therapy, Health and Physical Activity, and Mechanical Engineering and serves as the Head Team Physician for the University of Pittsburgh Athletic Department. In 1999, he was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree from Point Park University, an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree from Chatham University, and in 2010 was appointed Distinguished Service Professor by the University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Fu received the 2014 Kappa Delta Elizabeth Winston Lanier Award for "Anatomic ACL Reconstruction: A Changing Paradigm" presented by the Kappa Delta Sorority and the Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation (OREF) and received it at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS).

Dr. Fu graduated summa cum laude from Dartmouth College in 1974 and received his BMS in 1975 from Dartmouth Medical School. He earned his medical degree in 1977 from the University of Pittsburgh and completed his general surgery internship at Brown University. He returned to the University of Pittsburgh for an orthopaedic research fellowship and to complete his orthopaedic residency training. During that time, Dr. Fu was an AO International Fellow at the Hannover Trauma Center in Germany and an arthroscopic surgery fellow in East Lansing, Michigan. In 1984, Dr. Fu was selected as an AOA North American Traveling Fellow. As an ESSKA-AOSSM Sports Medicine Travelling Fellow in 1988, he visited more than 30 sports medicine centers in Europe.

Dr. Fu’s major research interest lies in anatomic ACL reconstruction, clinical outcomes, and bioengineering of sport-related problems. Dr. Fu has been honored with more than 260 professional awards and honors, made over 1,150 national and international presentations, co-authored 173 books chapters, is an author of over 570 peer-reviewed articles, and edited 30 major orthopaedic textbooks. He is a member and has held offices in numerous academic organizations, including the Herodicus Society and the American Orthopaedic Association. He has served as President of the Pennsylvania Orthopaedic Society, AOSSM and the International Society of Arthroscopy, Knee Surgery and Orthopaedic Sports Medicine (ISAKOS). He has held board positions with the Arthroscopy Association of North America and the Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation and AOSSM.

He was primarily responsible for the conception and oversight of the design and construction of the $80 million UPMC Rooney Sports Complex, a 60-acre state-of-the-art sports medicine complex which opened in October 2000. Using this first complex as a blueprint, a second Center, the UPMC Lemieux Sports Complex, opened in August 2015. The new location is an elite, first-of-its-kind facility dedicated to hockey-related training, rehabilitation, and injury prevention, and will unite world-class sports medicine and hockey under one roof. The complex is used as a model in more than ten countries and has been a magnet for more than 600 visiting surgeons and fellows from over 50 countries in six continents.
Dr. Fu is married to Hilda Pang Fu, a porcelain painter as well as founder and president of Luminari, a Pittsburgh based non-profit formed to broaden minds and inspire innovation. They have two children, Gordon and Joyce.

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The American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine (AOSSM) is a world leader in sports medicine education, research, communication and fellowship, and includes national and international orthopaedic sports medicine leaders. The Society works closely with many other sports medicine specialists, including athletic trainers, physical therapists, family physicians, and others to improve the identification, prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation of sports injuries. AOSSM is also a founding partner of the STOP Sports Injuries campaign to prevent overuse and traumatic injuries in kids.