



Prof. J. Grant Thomson: my experiences in plastic surgery

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The ‘International Seminar for Bone and Joint’ and the first ‘Xiangya Bone Symposium’, which is a branch of the 2016 ‘Xiangya Medicine Forum’ are jointly organized by the Department of Orthopedics and Sport Medicine of the Xiangya Hospital, Central South University. During the meeting, Prof. Thomson had a very interesting presentation entitled “The Extended Lateral Arm Flap”. We were honored to invite Prof. Grant Thomson to share his experience in plastic surgery with us during a brief interview following his presentation.

Prof. Grant Thomson is the Director of the Yale University Hand and Comprehensive Microsurgery Center, Professor of Yale University School of Medicine and Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor at Quinnipiac College, Connecticut, United States. Prof. Thomson earned his medical degree from McGill University in 1983. Before joining the section of plastic surgery at Yale University, he completed hand and microsurgery fellowship at Washington University Medical Center in St. Louis, Missouri.

Prof. Thomson’s special interests include endoscopic carpal tunnel release, trigger finger treatment, Dupuytren’s contracture, arthritic hand reconstruction, brachial plexus

reconstruction, peripheral nerve surgery, occupational disorders of the upper extremity, and trauma-related pain. His clinical practice also includes reconstructive microsurgery. He uses his experience to reach across borders to children and adults in developing countries.

During the interview, Prof. Thomson described that he became interested in plastic surgery while he was a medical student. Beside his clinical practice and research, Prof. Thomson also participates in volunteer surgical expeditions. His first volunteer expeditions in 1995 led him to Brazil, and so far, Prof. Thomson and his team have affected the lives of over 800 individuals.

For more information about this interview, please refer to the following video (*Figure 1*).

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Figure 1 Prof. J. Grant Thomson: my experiences in plastic surgery (1).

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