

INFORMED CONSENT FORM (ICF)

Study Title: Effectiveness and Safety of Septum-guided Segmentectomy in Solid-dominant, Deep-seated Early-stage Non-small Cell Lung Cancer (≤ 2 cm): A Single-center, Prospective, Single-arm Clinical Trial (SGS2512)

Protocol Number: SGS2512

Sponsor: Shanghai Chest Hospital

Principal Investigator: Prof. Junfeng Geng, MD, PhD

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1. STUDY BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

You are invited to participate in the "SGS2512" study because you have been diagnosed with early-stage non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) with a tumor (≤ 2 cm) located in the deep part of the lung (inner 2/3).

The standard treatment is "Lobectomy," which involves removing a large portion of the lung. "Segmentectomy" is an alternative that preserves more lung function. This study evaluates "**Septum-guided Segmentectomy**" (SGS), which uses natural anatomical membranes (septa) as boundaries to achieve a more precise and safer resection for deep tumors.

2. STUDY PROCEDURES

If you decide to participate, you will undergo:

- **Preoperative Assessment:** Routine CT, PET-CT, and pulmonary function tests.
- **Surgery:** Septum-guided Segmentectomy performed via VATS or Robot-assisted surgery.
- **Intraoperative Quality Control:** If the surgeon finds that the tumor is not suitable for segmentectomy (e.g., lymph node metastasis), the procedure will be converted to a standard lobectomy for your safety.
- **Follow-up:** Regular check-ups at 1, 6, 12, 18, 24, 30, and 36 months after surgery.

3. POTENTIAL RISKS AND DISCOMFORTS

The risks are similar to standard lung surgery, including:

- **Surgical Risks:** Bleeding, infection, air leak, pneumonia, or arrhythmia.
- **Oncological Risks:** Potential for local recurrence or metastasis.
- **Anesthesia Risks:** Allergic reactions or other complications.
- **Radiation:** Minimal exposure from follow-up CT scans. An independent **Data Safety Monitoring Board (DSMB)** will oversee the study to maximize your safety.

4. POTENTIAL BENEFITS

- **Lung Function Preservation:** Potential to save more healthy lung tissue compared to lobectomy.
- **Close Monitoring:** Systematic follow-up by a specialized medical team.
- **Scientific Contribution:** Your participation will provide evidence for treating deep-seated lung cancer.

5. VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION AND WITHDRAWAL

Participation is entirely voluntary. You may choose to withdraw at any time without any penalty or loss of medical benefits to which you are otherwise entitled.

6. CONFIDENTIALITY

Your personal identity and medical records will be kept strictly confidential. Research data will be coded (de-identified). Authorized representatives from the ethics committee or regulatory agencies may review your records for auditing purposes.

7. CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions or experience any study-related injuries, please contact:

- **Principal Investigator:** Prof. Junfeng Geng
- **Affiliation:** Department of Thoracic Surgery, Shanghai Chest Hospital

STATEMENT OF CONSENT

I have read this informed consent form (or had it read to me). I have had the opportunity to ask questions and all my questions have been answered to my satisfaction. I voluntarily agree to participate in this study.

Participant's Name (Printed): _____ **Participant's Signature:**
 _____ **Date:** _____

Researcher's Name (Printed): _____ Researcher's Signature:
_____ Date: _____