

'Asia tallest man' hospitalised in China

8 July 2013

A 2.55-metre (8 foot 4 inch) Chinese man who is among the world's tallest living people has been hospitalised for a hip replacement, reports said Monday.

Wang Fengjun has been measured as 29 centimetres taller than China's towering former NBA basketball player Yao Ming.

According to the Zhengzhou Evening, a paper in his home province of Henan, Wang's hands are 30 centimetres long and he wears specially made size-75 shoes.

Chinese media widely describe him as Asia's tallest man.

Wang, 37, developed gigantism due to a tumour on his pituitary gland. He has been suffering from [osteonecrosis](#) of the hips and was offered free treatment by a Henan hospital.

China's Yao Defen was the world's tallest woman at 2.34 metres when she died last year aged 40.

© 2013 AFP

APA citation: 'Asia tallest man' hospitalised in China (2013, July 8) retrieved 18 June 2019 from <https://medicalxpress.com/news/2013-07-asia-tallest-hospitalised-china.html>

This document is subject to copyright. Apart from any fair dealing for the purpose of private study or research, no part may be reproduced without the written permission. The content is provided for information purposes only.