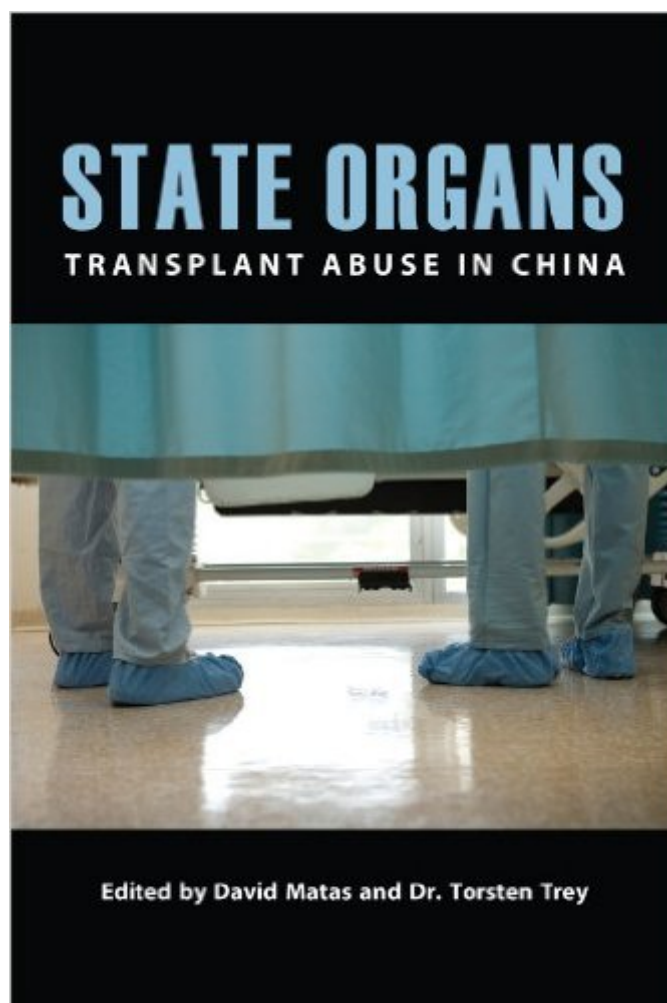


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# State Organs: Transplant Abuse In China



## Synopsis

China's organ transplant numbers are second only to the United States. Unlike any other country, virtually all Chinese organs for transplants come from prisoners. Many of these are prisoners of conscience. The killing of prisoners for their organs is a plain breach of the most basic medical ethics. *State Organs* explores the involvement of Chinese state institutions in this abuse. The book brings together authors from four continents who share their views and insights on the ways to combat these violations. *State Organs* aims to inform the reader and hopes to influence change in China to end the abuse.

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One difficulty with ascertaining information about Falun Gong persecution in general and the organ harvesting issue in particular is the overwhelming presence of Falun Gong affiliated organizations providing information. Of course these organizations are going to be more reliable than the CCP propaganda attacking them but there's no escaping the fact that a Falun Gong organization's primary goal is going to be the advancement of Falun Gong. So if there is an episode which can be interpreted in different ways, they are almost certainly going to interpret it in the way most favorable to their group. This makes it somewhat difficult to go through the literature on FG abuse today. That their general claims are correct is true beyond a shadow of a doubt--the post-1999 CCP has engaged in one of the most horrific, relentless, unjustifiable and shameful persecutions since the Holocaust. However, evaluating the correct interpretation of individual episodes can be difficult in

the absence of a large body of third-party scholarship on the subject. This book is refreshing different in that none of the contributing authors are practitioners (at least they don't seem to be, no mention is made and only one is Chinese). This helps the reader approach the topic from the outside, as a concerned third-party and not to be instantly dragooned for one side or the other. Many of the authors are doctors and a lot of attention is given to the medical ramifications (Ahmad), the ways that the medical community can respond to the situation or more general ruminations about how this case affects medical ethics (Singh). Gutmann's article is particularly good at spelling out where the numbers come from (though his command of statistics leaves something to be desired).

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