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**Lizhi Chen\*** (lchen@math.okstate.edu), Department of Mathematics, Oklahoma State University, Mathematical Sciences 401, Stillwater, OK 74078.  *$\mathbb{Z}_2$ -Systolic (1, 2)-Freedom of  $\mathbb{R}P^3\#\mathbb{R}P^3$ .*

We show that the 3-manifold  $\mathbb{R}P^3\#\mathbb{R}P^3$  has  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  coefficient (1, 2) homologically systolic freedom. In other words, we can construct Riemannian metrics on  $\mathbb{R}P^3\#\mathbb{R}P^3$  of arbitrarily small volume, such that  $\text{length}(\gamma) \cdot \text{area}(\Sigma) \geq 1$ , for every geodesic loop  $\gamma$  which is nontrivial in  $H_1(\mathbb{R}P^3\#\mathbb{R}P^3; \mathbb{Z}_2)$  and every embedded smooth surface which is nontrivial in  $H_2(\mathbb{R}P^3\#\mathbb{R}P^3; \mathbb{Z}_2)$ . Previously M. Freedman has proved that the 3-manifold  $S^2 \times S^1$  exhibits (1, 2) systolic freedom over  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ , which is the first example of systolic freedom over torsion coefficients. The  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  systolic freedom of  $\mathbb{R}P^3\#\mathbb{R}P^3$  is another systolic freedom example over torsion coefficients of 3-manifolds after Freedman's example. In this work, Freedman's technique is used to construct metrics on  $\mathbb{R}P^3\#\mathbb{R}P^3$ . The 3-manifold  $\mathbb{R}P^3\#\mathbb{R}P^3$  is doubly covered by the surface bundle  $S^2 \times S^1$ , so the arithmetic hyperbolic surface construction and the Dehn surgery technique can be employed. (Received September 16, 2013)