43rd Annual Meeting
SEPTEMBER 11-15, 2017
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LEARNING OBJECTIVES
The 43rd ASHI Annual Meeting will provide updates on basic Immunogenetics and on practice guidelines in clinical histocompatibility and immunogenetics.
The learning objectives are as follows:
1. Describe innovations in Immunotherapies, including the fields of infectious Disease, Cancer and Autoimmunity.
2. Understand the biology of Plasma Cells and techniques to assess immunoglobulins.
3. Critically analyze approaches used for Precision Medicine and Predictive Analytics.
4. Perform and evaluate new techniques for immune assessment.
5. Identify and implement approaches for recruitment and retention of qualified employees.
6. Recognize new findings from the 17th international workshop.
7. Discuss and critically analyze highlights and recommendations for practice guidelines from the STAR (Sensitization in Transplantation: Assessment of Risk) workgroup.

FULL DISCLOSURE POLICY
All faculty and program organizers participating and planning continuing medical education programs sponsored by ASHI are required to disclose to the program audience any real or apparent conflicts of interest related to their presentation. Full disclosure of faculty relationships will be available onsite.

THE TULIP RUN
ASHI’S 5TH ANNUAL 5K RUN/WALK

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 • 6:30 am - 8:30 am

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Heal a life through organ and tissue donation

This will be ASHI’s 5th Annual 5K Run/Walk. Please join us for a morning run or walk through Crissy Field in San Francisco! The fee is $25.00 per person. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Donor Network West! All runners and walkers are welcome!

Thank you to our sponsor of the Tulip Run:

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PHYSICIANS
This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of Amedco and the American Society for Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (ASHI). Amedco is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

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CHT, CHS, ABHI DIPLOMATES
The American Board of Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics has approved the 43rd Annual Meeting content for a maximum of 33.75 contact hours (9 contact hours for Inspectors’ Workshop and 24.75 contact hours for the meeting) or 5.0625 CECs (1.35 CECs for Inspector’s Workshop and 3.7125 CECs for the meeting) of continuing education hours for completing each module.
HOTEL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL HOST HOTEL
Hilton San Francisco Union Square
333 O’Farrell Street
San Francisco, CA 94102

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AIRPORT
The San Francisco International Airport is approximately 14 miles from the Hilton San Francisco Union Square.

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Average taxi cab fare from San Francisco International Airport to the Hilton San Francisco Union Square is $63. Each taxi will also have an additional fee of $2 for airport pick up. For pick up terminal locations at the San Francisco International Airport, please visit: https://www.flysfo.com/to-from/ground-transportation

Uber
The average Uber fare from San Francisco International Airport to Hilton San Francisco Union Square will range from $25-31.

Lyft
The average Lyft fare from San Francisco International Airport to Hilton San Francisco Union Square will range from $23-38.

ONSITE REGISTRATION & EXHIBIT HOURS

REGISTRATION HOURS
East Lounge, Ballroom Level

Monday, September 11
11:00 AM – 8:00 PM
7:30 AM – 6:00 PM
8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
7:30 AM – 5:00 PM
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Tuesday, September 12

Wednesday, September 13

Thursday, September 14

Friday, September 15

EXHIBIT HALL & POSTER VIEWING
Grand Ballroom, Grand Ballroom Level

Monday, September 11
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Opening Reception

Tuesday, September 12
9:30 AM – 12:00 PM
2:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Wednesday, September 13
9:30 AM – 12:00 PM
2:00 PM – 6:30 PM

Thursday, September 14
9:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Monday, September 11, 2017

Inspectors Training
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Plaza Room, Lobby Level
The Inspector Training Workshop is offered this year as a full day session for new inspectors, and a half day (afternoon) session for active inspectors & trainees to attend to maintain their active status. Dr. Myra Coppage, our current Inspector Training Chair, and the ARB will be hosting a variety of speakers, discussions, and round table exercises simulating real life inspection experiences.

Pre-Meeting Symposium - A Retrospective Perspective on HLA
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Imperial Ballroom, Ballroom Level
Retrospective Perspectives on HLA is a half day, special focus, meeting celebrating the history of our field and how this is driving the current science of HLA. The meeting will take place immediately prior to the ASHI annual meeting on September 11th 2017 at 1:00 PM. The goal of this meeting is to highlight breakthrough discoveries in Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics that led to the understanding of the physiologic role of the HLA system in health, and its involvement in a variety of diseases and transplantation. The speakers and a panel of experts will highlight how they see tomorrow’s science building on this history to impact patient care.

The intended audience are new comers to our field as well as the "oldies". You will have an opportunity to listen to some of the pillars of our field, and interact with them and other experts verbally or through text messaging from the audience.

Committee Members: Elaine Reed, Peter Nickerson, Frans Claas, Willie Hildebrand & Nicole Valenzuela

Panel 1: Howard Gebel, PhD, D(ABHI)  Emory University
Atlanta, GA  George Vlad, PhD  Columbia University
New York, NY  Peter Nickerson, MD, FRCPC
University of Manitoba
Winnipeg, MB, Canada

Panel 2: Nicole Valenzuela, PhD  UCLA Immunogenetics Center
Los Angeles, CA  Adriana Zeevi, PhD, D(ABHI)  UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside
Pittsburgh, PA

1:00 PM – 1:30 PM  The Early Days of HLA
Glenn Rodey, MD, Retired
Baylor College of Medicine
Hesperus, CO

1:30 PM – 1:45 PM  Panel Discussion
Howie Gebel, George Vlad, Peter Nickerson

1:45 PM – 2:15 PM  The Structure of HLA Molecules – Functional Implications
Pamela Bjorkman, PhD  California Institute of Technology
Pasadena, CA
2:15 PM – 2:30 PM  Panel Discussion  Howie Gebel, George Vlad, Peter Nickerson

2:30 PM – 2:45 PM  Coffee Break

2:45 PM – 3:15 PM  The Role of HLA in Peptide Recognition  James McCluskey, MD, FAA, FAHMS  University of Melbourne  Parkville, VIC, Australia

3:15 PM – 3:30 PM  Panel Discussion  Nicole Valenzuela, Adriana Zeevi

3:30 PM – 4:00 PM  Impact of Polymorphism on HLA Typing  Peter Parham, PhD  Stanford University  Stanford, CA

4:00 PM – 4:15 PM  Panel Discussion  Nicole Valenzuela, Adriana Zeevi

4:15 PM – 4:45 PM  HLA and Transplantation  Frans Claas, PhD  Leiden University Medical Center  Leiden, Netherlands

4:45 PM – 5:00 PM  Panel Discussion  Nicole Valenzuela, Adriana Zeevi

First Time Attendee & New Member Reception  
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM  Franciscan AB, Ballroom Level

Opening Session – This Was Your Life  
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM  Continental Ballroom, Ballroom Level

Sir Walter Bodmer and Dr. Peter Doherty. Two premier scientists. One is British royalty. One is a Nobel prize winner. Scientific pioneers who shaped the way we think. Undeniable geniuses. Why did they become scientists? What challenges did they face when their careers began? Who influenced them the most? What advice would they give to young students? The questions are endless. The answers? Come join us and find out!

Moderators: Howie Gebel, PhD, D(ABHI), Emory University Hospital, Atlanta, GA and Nicole Valenzuela, PhD, UCLA Immunogenetics Center, Los Angeles, CA

Interviewers: Howie Gebel, Nicole Valenzuela
Interviewees: Walter Bodmer, PhD, FRCPath, FRS, Oxford University, Oxford, Oxfordshire, United Kingdom and Nobel Laureate Professor Peter Doherty, University of Melbourne, Melbourne, VIC, Australia
Opening Reception with Exhibits
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Grand Ballroom, Grand Ballroom Level

Tuesday, September 12, 2017

Keynote Address – The Killer Defence
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM
Continental Ballroom, Ballroom Level
Peter Doherty will discuss the challenge of pandemic infections, the current status of vaccines, the discovery of MHC restriction that led to our 1996 Nobel Prize, the implications for disease and MHC related resistance/susceptibility. Our work with killer T cells and T cell memory that leads to insights re possible vaccine development, and review T cell immunotherapy approaches, including the therapeutic use of mAbs to immune check point inhibitors and CAR T cells in cancer.

Moderators: Anat Tambur, DMD, PhD, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL and Michael Gautreaux, PhD, D(ABHI), Wake Forest School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, NC

Featured Speaker: Nobel Laureate Professor Peter Doherty
University of Melbourne
Melbourne, VIC, Australia

Coffee Break with Exhibits
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM
Grand Ballroom, Grand Ballroom Level

Symposium I: Immunotherapy Therapy
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Continental Ballroom, Ballroom Level
The session on Immunotherapy will focus on novel approaches for immunomodulation of the patient’s immune system in the setting of autoimmunity, viral infection and cancer. The goal of this symposia is to highlight research discoveries in the field of immunology and their direct translation to patient care. Dr. Nepom’s lecture will focus on novel approaches for immunomodulation in autoimmunity with a specific emphasis on targeting effector T cell responses in Type 1 diabetes and the use of immunological monitoring tools for predicting disease susceptibility and response to therapy in clinical trials. Dr. Bollard’s lecture will describe the development of viral-specific immune cells and their application to the treatment of EBV and CMV disease in the immunosuppressed patient. Dr Riddell’s lecture will present the state-of-the-art in immunotherapy for cancer using CAR-T cell therapy.

Moderators: Adriana Zeevi, PhD, D(ABHI), UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside Laboratories, Pittsburgh, PA and Elaine Reed, PhD, D(ABHI), UCLA Immunogenetics Center, Los Angeles, CA

10:00 AM – 10:40 AM
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Catherine Bollard, MD
Children’s National and The George Washington University
Washington DC
10:40 AM – 11:20 AM  Autoimmunity
Gerald Nepom, MD, PhD
Benaroya Research Institute
Seattle, WA

11:20 AM – 12:00 PM  Cancer
Stanley Riddell, MD
Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center
Seattle, WA

**User Group Meetings**
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

**Scholar Award – Abstract Sessions (International/Scholar Awards)**
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
Continental Ballroom, Ballroom Level

- **OR1:** The Bound Peptides are the Determinants For The Potential of HLA-G Mediated Immune Regulation
  Alexander Celik, M.Sc.
  Institute for Transfusion Medicine, Hannover Medical School
  Hannover, Lower Saxony, Germany

- **OR2:** Recipient NK Cell Receptor Repertoire Comprising Activating KIR2DS5 and Licensed KIR3DL1 is Associated With Improved Chronic Lung Allograft Dysfunction (CLAD) Free Survival When Donor Misses HLA-BW4 Ligand
  Haibo Sun, PhD
  University of California, San Francisco
  San Francisco, CA

- **OR3:** HLA-DPB1 Single Nucleotide Polymorphism Determines DP Molecule Expression And B Lymphocyte Crossmatch Results
  Nwe Nwe Soe, MBBS, PhD
  UCLA Immunogenetics Center
  Los Angeles, CA

- **OR4:** Development Of An In Vitro Model Of Human Antibody Mediated Rejection
  Luis G. Hidalgo, PhD, D(ABHI)
  University of Alberta
  Edmonton, AB, Canada

**Coffee Break with Exhibits**
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM
Grand Ballroom, Grand Ballroom Level
Concurrent Abstract Sessions
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

Abstract Session 1: Bone Marrow/HSCT
Continental Ballroom 1-5, Ballroom Level

Moderators: Marcelo Fernandez-Vina, PhD, Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA and Eric Weimer, PhD, D(ABMLI), University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC

4:00 PM – 4:12 PM
OR5: Phenotypic and Functional Evaluation of KIR-Regulated Natural Killer Cells Responding to Epstein-Barr Virus: Implications On Post-Transplant Lymphoproliferative Disease (PTLD) After Allogeneic HCT
Rehan M. Faridi
University of Calgary
Calgary, AB, Canada

4:12 PM – 4:24 PM
OR6: Next Generation Sequencing HLA Typing in Patients With Copy Neutral Loss of Heterozygosity
Fredrick Oakley
Seattle Cancer Care Alliance
Seattle, WA

4:24 PM – 4:36 PM
OR7: MIHAIP: Comprehensice Pipeline to Discover Immunogenic Minor Histocompatibility Antigens Via Whole Genome Sequences of HLA-Matched Donor-Recipient Pairs
Wei Wang
National Marrow Donor Program
Minneapolis, MN

4:36 PM – 4:48 PM
OR8: Killer Cell Immunoglobulin-Like Receptor Genotype BX1 and Centromeric Gene-Content Motifs Influences Survival After 3-Models of Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cells Transplantation
Xiaojing Bao
First Affiliated Hospital of Soochow University
Suzhou, China

4:48 PM – 5:00 PM
OR9: Certain KIR-HLA Genotypes Show Improved Progression-Free Survival In Patients With Multiple Myeloma Treated With Isatuximab (SAR650984, ANTI-CD38MAB), Lenalidomide and Dexamethasone
Haibo Sun
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

5:00 PM – 5:12 PM
OR10: Analysis of Engraftment Kinetics of Donor-Type Chimerism in Linage-Specific Cell Populations After Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation
Jasmeet Kaur
Dr. Ialpath Labs
New Delhi, India
5:12 PM – 5:30 PM  OR11: Low Content of Activating Killer Immunoglobulin-Like Receptors Predispose to Hematological Malignancies
Ariz Akhter
University of Calgary
Calgary, AB, Canada

Abstract Session 2: Antibody Assessment
Continental Ballroom 6-9, Ballroom Level

Moderators: Robert Liwski, MD, PhD, Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS, Canada and John Lunz, PhD, D(ABHI), Gift of Hope Organ & Tissue Donor Network, Itasca, IL

4:00 PM – 4:12 PM  OR12: Complement-Binding Donor-Specific Anti-HLA Antibodies Predict the Response to Complement-Targeting Therapy: A Multicenter International Study
Carmen Lefaucheur
Paris Transitional Research Center for Organ Transplantation
Paris, France

4:12 PM – 4:24 PM  OR13: C3D As A Non-Invasive Tool for Early Prediction of Antibody Mediated Rejection (AMR) and Renal Allograft Failure
Ahmed Mostafa
Calgary Laboratory Services
Calgary, AB, Canada

4:24 PM – 4:36 PM  OR14: Next-Generation HLA Antibody Reagents
Paul Warner
Bloodworks Northwest
Seattle, WA

4:36 PM – 4:48 PM  OR15: Hierarchy of HLA Types in Provoking Antibody Production Following Kidney Transplantation
David D. Gae
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

4:48 PM – 5:00 PM  OR16: Donor-Specific Antibodies (DSA) Detected by C1Q and C3D Assays Predict Antibody-Mediated Rejection (AMR) in Renal Transplant (TX) Patients, But Specific Detection of IGG2, IGG3, IGG4, IGA, and IGM DSA, and Anti-AT1R and Anti-ETAR Antibodies Do Not
Bobbie Rhodes-Clark
UAMS HLA Laboratory
Little Rock, AR

5:00 PM – 5:12 PM  OR17: Pre-Transplant Panel Reactive Antibodies and HLA-A*/DQB1* Mismatches Associated with the Development of De Novo Specific Antibody After Lung Transplant
Aiwen Zhang
Cleveland Clinic
Cleveland, OH
Workshop 1 - Round Table Discussion
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM
Plaza Room, Lobby Level
The Round Table Discussion Workshop will focus on the presentations of three to four submitted abstracts with subsequent discussion amongst peers and colleagues. The discussions will take place at tables of 8-10 individuals with a moderator. After discussions, each table will present their conclusions to the entire participant group.

Moderators: Donna Phelan, BA, Mt, CHS, Barnes Jewish Hospital, St. Louis, MO; Lynn Kilheeney, CHS, UPMC Presbyterian – Shadyside, Pittsburgh, PA; Brian Duffy, MA, CHS, Barnes Jewish Hospital, St. Louis, MO; Harriet Noreen, BS, CHS, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN; Cathi Murphy, PhD, Southwest Immunodiagnostics, San Antonio, TX; Gerald Morris, MD, PhD, University of California San Diego, La Jolla, CA; Chang Liu, MD, PhD, Washington University, St. Louis, MO; Olga Timofeeva, Temple University & Hospital, Philadelphia, PA; Sharon Adams, MT, CHA (ABHI), National Institute of Health, Bethesda, MD; Donna Lucas, MS, CHS, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD; Nancy Higgins; Anne Halpin

Workshop 2 - Retention and Recruitment
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM
Imperial Ballroom, Ballroom Level
With the increase in hiring difficulty and high turnover rates especially in laboratory medicine, this workshop will provide tips and tools to improve recruitment and retention of laboratory professionals.

Moderators: Chang Liu, MD, PhD, Washington University, St. Louis, MO

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM
John Cardella, MBA, MT(ASCP)
Emory Healthcare
Atlanta, GA

Poster Reception with Exhibits
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM
Grand Ballroom, Grand Ballroom Level

ARB Inspections & International Reception
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Vista Room, Forty-Fifth Floor
Wednesday, September 13, 2017

The Tulip Run – ASHI’s 5K Run/Walk
6:30 AM – 8:30 AM
Crissy Field
Shuttle buses will be departing from the Hilton San Francisco Union Square starting at 5:30 AM from the Taylor Street Entrance. Race will begin promptly at 6:30 AM. Shuttle buses will begin return trips starting at 7:30 AM.

Update on the Declaration of Istanbul
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM

Moderator: Anat Tambur, DMD, PhD, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM  John Gill, MD, MS
University of British Columbia
Vancouver, BC, Canada

Rose Payne Award Presentation
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM
Continental Ballroom, Ballroom Level

Moderators: Michael Gautreaux, PhD, D(ABHI), Wake Forest School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, NC and Elaine Reed, PhD, D(ABHI), UCLA Immunogenetics Center, Los Angeles, CA

Award Winner: Dominique Charron, MD, PhD
Hospital Saint-Louis
Paris, France

Coffee Break with Exhibits
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM
Grand Ballroom, Grand Ballroom Level

Symposium II: B Cells (B cell/Immunoglobulin Biology/Plasma Cells)
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Continental Ballroom, Ballroom Level
Antibody-mediated rejection (AMR) is a major obstacle impacting short and long term solid organ allograft survival. The efficacy of currently available immunosuppressive agents to reduce/eliminate the production and pathogenicity of alloantibodies is limited. Circulating alloantibodies should be viewed as surrogate markers for the B cells and plasma cells producing them. A better understanding of the basic biology of these cells and alloantibody production is required before new therapeutic options to combat AMR can be developed and implemented. This session will focus on the functions and diversity of antibody-secreting B and plasma cells, and how they represent potential therapeutic targets.

Moderators: Howie Gebel, PhD, D(ABHI), Emory University Hospital, Atlanta, GA and Nicole Valenzuela, PhD, UCLA Immunogenetics Center, Los Angeles, CA
10:00 AM – 10:40 AM
Emory University
Plasma Cells in Transplantation – “It Doesn’t End at B Cells”
Frances Lee, MD
Emory University
Atlanta, GA

10:40 AM – 11:20 AM
Immunoglobulin Rep. to Track B Cell Immunity
Nicole Valenzuela, PhD
UCLA Immunogenetics Center
Los Angeles, CA

11:20 AM – 12:00 PM
From Benchtop to Bedside
E. Steve Woodle, MD
University of Cincinnati
Cincinnati, OH

User Group Meetings
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Concurrent Abstract Sessions
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Abstract Session 3: Genetic and Epigenetics
Continental Ballroom 1-5, Ballroom Level

Moderator: George Vlad, PhD, D(ABHI), Columbia University, New York, NY

2:00 PM – 2:12 PM
OR19: MIRNA Medicated Post Transcriptional Regulation of HLA
Transcriptional Regulation of HLA Transcripts
Peter Clark
Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia
Philadelphia, PA

2:12 PM – 2:24 PM
OR20: De Novo Generation of MC Haplotypes Using Single Molecule
Sequencing
Peter Clark
Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia
Philadelphia, PA

2:24 PM – 2:36 PM
OR21: The Novel Functional Role of HLA DRA and DRB5 Encoded MIRNA
Transcripts
Peter Clark
Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia
Philadelphia, PA

2:36 PM – 2:48 PM
OR22: High-Resolution HLA Typing and Identification of a Novel Allele with
a Splice Variant Using RNA-SEQ
Aviva Geretz
Walter Reed Army Institute of Research
Silver Spring, MD
Abstract Session 4: Histocompatibility Beyond HLA
Continental Ballroom 6-9, Ballroom Level

Moderators: Raja Rajalingham, PhD, D(ABHI), University of California San Francisco, San Francisco, CA and Charles Lutz

2:00 PM – 2:12 PM OR26: BW4+ HLA Class I and KIR3DL1 Allotypic Pairing Influences Licensing and Effector Function of KIR3DL1+ NK Cells
Shu Cheng Wong
The University of Melbourne
Melbourne, Australia

2:12 PM – 2:24 PM OR27: Detection of Thousands of Novel KIR Alleles with High-Throughput NGS Typing via Nextype
Jurgen Sauter
DKMS
Tubingen, Germany

2:24 PM – 2:36 PM OR28: High-Throughput KIR Sequencing by NGS: 500,000 Registry Samples Genotypes at Allelic Resolution
Ines Wagner
DKMS Life Science Lab
Dresden, Germany

2:36 PM – 2:48 PM OR29: Ligation of B4403 with Antibody Fails to Form a Signal Complex with TLR4 and Inhibits HLA-I-Mediated P-Selection Expression and Monocyte Adhesion to Human Endothelial Cells
Yiping Jin
University of California, Los Angeles
Los Angeles, CA
OR30: Discrepancy Between In Silico Predictions and Experimental Estimation of Dominant/Co-Dominant Ratio of Potential Minor Histocompatibility Antigens
Nadezhda Bykova
National Research Center for Hematology
Moscow, Russian Federation

OR31: New NGS Assays for MHC Class I-Associated Genes MICA and MICB
Loes L. van de Pasch
GenDx
Utrecht, Netherlands

OR32: Binding of ILT3 to Its Ligand Inhibits Signaling Pathways Involved in Cell Proliferation and Migration
Zheng Xu
Columbia University Medical Center
New York, NY

Workshop 3 – Abstract Case Studies
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM
Plaza Room, Lobby Level
This workshop is an actual abstract session for case study only presentations. The presentations will be clinical in nature and submitted primarily by technologists working in the field.

Moderators: Harriet Noreen, BS, CHS, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN and Olga Timofeeva, Temple University & Hospital, Philadelphia, PA

OR33: The Importance of Detection of Donor-Chimerism and Anti-Donor or Anti-Recipient HLA Antibodies After Liver-Contained Intestinal Transplantation
Aiwen Zhang
Cleveland Clinic
Cleveland, OH

OR34: Platelet Refractoriness in a Patient with 0% PRA Due to a Rare Anti-CD36(NAKa) Antibody
Amy Schmidt
University of Rochester Medical Center
Rochester, NY

OR35: Haploidentical Matched Donor or Unrelated Mismatched?
Zahra Kashi
Kashi Clinical Laboratories
Portland, OR
2:36 PM – 2:48 PM  
OR36: Allograft Rejection Associated with Pre-Transplant Donor Specific Anti-DQ Antibodies Detected By Single Antigen Bead Assay and A Negative Flow Cytometry Crossmatch  
Jane Kearns  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, PA

2:48 PM – 3:00 PM  
OR37: Persistence of T Cells From The First Donor After A Second Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplantation  
Larissa Slavich  
Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia  
Philadelphia, PA

3:00 PM – 3:12 PM  
OR38: Antibody Mediated Rejection in Heart Transplantation: Looking Beyond HLA to Non-HLA Targets  
Melissa Jeresano  
Johns Hopkins University  
Baltimore, MD

3:12 PM – 3:30 PM  
OR39: Epitopic Analysis Suggests a New Conformational DPαβ Epitope in a Patient Searching for an Unrelated Hematopoietic Stem Cell Donor  
Alberto Lima  
Federal University of Parana  
Curitiba, Brazil

Workshop 4 – Immunoassessment  
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM  
Imperial Ballroom, Ballroom Level  
This workshop will describe the numerous tests available to assess the immune status of recipients both pre and post transplantation.

Moderators: Michelle Hickery, PhD, D(ABHI), UCLA Immunogenetics Center, Los Angeles, CA and James Mathew, PhD, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL

2:00 PM – 2:45 PM  
Permissible Mismatches and Donor Selection  
Maura Rossetti, PhD  
University of California, Los Angeles  
Los Angeles, CA

2:45 PM – 3:30 PM  
New Tools To Monitor Donor-Specific B Cell Reactivity  
Sebastian Heidt, PhD  
Leiden University Medical Center  
Leiden, Netherlands

Coffee Break with Exhibits  
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM  
Grand Ballroom, Grand Ballroom Level
Directors’ Forum
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM
Continental Ballroom 6-9, Ballroom Level
This session will provide updates on issues pertinent to the profession. The session will begin with a series of short presentations that will cover the hot topics in the areas of training, regulatory affairs, and professional standards. Time will then be provided for open discussion by the attendees. The session is open to all Directors and Directors-in-Training.

Technologists’ Forum
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM
Plaza Room, Lobby Level
The Technologist Forum is dedicated to what the HLA technologist are interested in, first and foremost. This year, the forum will concentrate on issues which last year’s technologist indicated were areas they were most interested in sharing information. The Technologist Forum is driven by what the technologist interests are from year to year.

IHIWS Update
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM
Continental Ballroom 1-5, Ballroom Level
The goal of the 17th International HLA and Immunogenetics Workshop is to advance the fields of H&I research through the application NGS technologies. Next generation sequencing (NGS) methods are now being applied for HLA and KIR genotyping with great success, the results of analysis of data submitted by multiple laboratories using various NGS platforms and collected in a centralized IHIWS database will be presented. The topics to be discussed include summaries based on objectives from the 17th IHIWS projects which are organized in five different components: NGS for HLA, KIR Genetics and Diversity, Immunogenetics of HSC Transplantation, Epitopes Analyses and Informatics/Population Genetics.

5:30 PM – 5:50 PM
Overview of 17th IHIWS; 17th IHIWS Summary: NGS for HLA; 17th IHIWS Summary: Immunogenetics of HSC Transplantation
Marcelo Fernandez-Vina, PhD, D(ABHI)
Stanford University
Stanford, CA

5:50 PM – 6:10 PM
Informatics of the 17th IHIWS; 17th IHIWS Summary: Population Genetics
Steven Mack, PhD
Children’s Hospital Oakland Research Institute
Oakland, CA

6:10 PM – 6:30 PM
17th IHIWS Summary: Epitope Analyses
Dolly Tyan, PhD
Stanford University
Stanford, CA

6:30 PM – 6:50 PM
17th IHIWS Summary: KIR Genetics and Diversity
Jill Hollenbach, PhD, MPH
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA
Thursday, September 14, 2017

The Paul I Terasaki Clinical Science Award and Outstanding Scientist Award
8:00 AM - 9:30 AM
Continental Ballroom 1-5, Ballroom Level

Moderators: Michael Gautreaux, PhD, D(ABHI), Wake Forest School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, NC and John Schmitz, PhD, D(ABMLI, ABHI), UNC – Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC

Paul I Terasaki Award: Elaine F. Reed, PhD, D(ABHI)
UCLA
Los Angeles, CA

Distinguished Scientist Award: Dimitri Monos, PhD
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, PA

Coffee Break with Exhibits
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM
Grand Ballroom, Grand Ballroom Level

Symposium III: Precision Medicine/Predictive Medicine - Precision Medicine and Predictive Analytics
(Not Eligible for CME Credit)
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Continental Ballroom 1-5, Ballroom Level

Symposium III will focus on the integration of a person’s genetic and immune profile, including their HLA type, into the clinical decision making processes. In the first talk, Dr. Scheller will describe how human genetic data is now being gathered and how it can act as a guide for clinical therapies that address both common and rare diseases. Dr. Scheller will discuss the information provided by each pair of our 23 chromosomes in regards to overall health, specific inherited traits, ancestry, and new applications for these data. Our second speaker, Dr. Helen Heslop, will describe approaches for tailoring an individual’s immune system so that it can target virally infected cells as well as tumor cells. Dr. Heslop will describe how a person’s T lymphocytes can be directed to HLA-presented antigens that are distinct to cancerous cells as well as to post-transplant cells that are infected by a virus. The session’s third speaker, Dr. Dorry Segev, will discuss how an increase in clinical tests and in clinical data collection can be efficiently processed and then applied to clinical transplantation. Dr. Segev will discuss the many factors that a transplant team must consider and he will describe the latest strategies for utilizing the data that is now available as it pertains to optimizing short and long-term transplant outcomes.

Moderators: William Hildebrand, PhD, D(ABHI), University of Oklahoma Health Science Center, Oklahoma, OK and Raja Rajalingham, PhD, D(ABHI), University of California San Francisco, San Francisco, CA

10:00 AM – 10:40 AM
Predictive Medicine
Richard Scheller, PhD
23andMe, Inc.
Mountain View, CA
10:40 AM – 11:20 AM  Virus and Tumor Specific T Cells
Helen Heslop, MD
Baylor College of Medicine
Houston, TX

11:20 AM – 12:00 PM  Big Data and Predictive Analytics in Transplantation
Dorry Segev, MD, PhD
Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, MD

User Group Meetings
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Concurrent Abstract Sessions
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Abstract Session 5: Novel Assays/Technologies
Continental Ballroom 1-5, Ballroom Level

Moderators: Robert Bray, PhD, D(ABHI), HCLD/CC(ABB), Emory University, Atlanta, GA and Olga Timofeeva, Temple University & Hospital, Philadelphia, PA

2:00 PM – 2:12 PM  OR40: Applying Single-Cell Mass Cytometry to Investigate the Immune System of Highly Sensitized Patients Who Undergo Intravenous Immunoglobulin Desentization Treatment
Lin Wang
Disease Profiling Laboratory
Palo Alto, CA

2:12 PM – 2:24 PM  OR41: PIRCHE-II: A Novel Tool to Identify Permissible HLA Mismatches in Kidney Transplantation
Kristen Geneugelijk
UMC Utrecht
Utrecht, Netherlands

2:24 PM – 2:36 PM  OR42: Expanded Thymic Regulatory T Cells (TREGS) Have Low Class I HLA Expression Levels and Are HLA-DR Negative Potential For ‘Off-The-Shelf’ Cellular Therapy?
Esme Dijke
University of Alberta
Edmonton, AB, Canada

2:36 PM – 2:48 PM  OR43: Therapeutic Vaccination Against Breast Cancer In A Transgenic Mouse Model
Christa Devette
University of Oklahoma Health Science Center
Oklahoma City, OK
2:48 PM – 3:00 PM  OR44: Preliminary Evaluation of a Prototype Panel of Non-HLA Antigens
Donna Lucas
Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, MD

3:00 PM – 3:12 PM  OR45: Proof of Principle: Bead-Based ABO Antibody Assessment
Anne Halpin
University of Alberta
Edmonton, AB, Canada

3:12 PM – 3:30 PM  OR46: A Novel Cellular Crossmatch to Detect Donor HLA Specific Immunity
Ge Chen
Stanford University
Palo Alto, CA

Abstract Session 6: Rejection
Continental Ballroom 6-9, Ballroom Level

Moderators: Annette Jackson, PhD, D(ABHI), Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD and Luis Hildalgo, PhD, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, Canada

2:00 PM – 2:12 PM  OR47: A Novel Role For Antibodies to HLA and Self-antigens: Induction of Immunostimulatory Exosomes
Thalachallour Mohanakumar
St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center
Phoenix, AZ

2:12 PM – 2:24 PM  OR52: AT1R Antibody In Pediatric Heart Transplant Patients: What Are We Really Detecting
Anne Halpin
University of Alberta
Edmonton, AB, Canada

2:24 PM – 2:36 PM  OR49: Effect of Everolimus Immunotheraphy on HLA-Antibody Mediated Activation of Endothelial Cells in Heart Transplantation
Fang Li
UCLA Immunogenetics Center
Los Angeles, CA

2:36 PM – 2:48 PM  OR50: Complement-Binding Donor-Specific Anti-HLA Antibodies Induce a Specific Histo-Molecular Kidney Allograft Rejection Phenotype
Carmen Lefaucheur
Paris Translational Research Center for Organ Transplantation
Paris, France

2:48 PM – 3:00 PM  OR51: Correlation of Class II Antibody Development With Acute Cellular Rejection and Fibrosis in Pediatric Liver Transplantation
Laurine M. Bow
Yale University School of Medicine
New Haven, CT
3:00 PM – 3:12 PM

OR48: Antibodies Against Vascular Endothelial Keratin 1 Antigen Associate with Deterioration of Renal Allograft Function
Yizhou Zou
Xiangya School of Medicine, Central South University
Changsha Hunan, China

3:12 PM – 3:30 PM

OR53: In Vitro and In Silico Approach to Identify HAS-MIR-374A Targets Associated with Antibody Mediated Rejection
Omar Moussa
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, MI

Workshop 5 – HLA Precision Medicine
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Imperial Ballroom, Ballroom Level

Precision Medicine is a medical model that proposes the customization of healthcare to the individual patient. This workshop will describe the medical decisions, practices and products as they relate to genetics, histocompatibility and transplantation.

Moderator: Lynn Kilheeney, CHS, UPMC Presbyterian – Shadyside, Pittsburgh, PA

2:00 PM – 2:45 PM

Caleb Kennedy, PhD
Center for International Blood and Marrow Transplant Research
Minneapolis, MN

2:45 PM – 3:30 PM

Peter Nickerson, MD, FRCPC
University of Manitoba
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Workshop 6 - Everything You Wanted to Ask About HLA but were Afraid To
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Plaza Room, Lobby Level

This workshop comprises a panel of well know experts in the fields of Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics, knowledgeable in all areas and specialties. They will provide answers to ALL questions posed to them during the workshop. Questions can also be submitted anonymously prior to the workshop.

Moderators: Donna Phelan, BA, Mt, CHS, Barnes Jewish Hospital, St. Louis, MO and Jun Zhou, MD, PhD, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX

Patricia Campbell, BMChB, FRCP
University of Alberta
Edmonton, AB, Canada

Carolyn Hurley, PhD, D(ABHI)
Georgetown University
Washington DC
Cathi Murphy, PhD  
*Southwest Immunodiagnostics, Inc.*  
San Antonio, TX

Andrea Zachary, PhD, D(ABHI)  
*Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine*  
Baltimore, MD

**Coffee Break with Exhibits**  
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM  
Grand Ballroom, Grand Ballroom Level

**Symposium IV: Awards, Business Meeting & Updates**  
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM  
Continental Ballroom 1-5, Ballroom Level

**Networking Event Reception**  
9:00 PM – 11:00 PM  
Plaza Room, Lobby Level  
New to ASHI’s Meeting this year, this exclusive Networking Event is the ONLY social night out at ASHI’s 43rd Annual Meeting – you won’t want to miss it!

Join us to enjoy a night of music, desserts, drinks, dancing, and networking with your colleagues on Thursday, September 14, from 9:00 pm – 11:00 pm in the Plaza Ballroom (Hotel Lobby level) of the Hilton Union Suare Hotel. The Networking Event features Dorry Segev as your DJ! Dorry is a transplant surgeon from Johns Hopkins Medical Center who has been a DJ at several transplant-related, highly enjoyable parties.

**Friday, September 15, 2017**

**The ASHI-AST First STAR (Sensitization in Transplantation: Assessment of Risk) Workgroup Updates**  
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM  
Continental Ballroom 1-5, Ballroom Level  
The STAR workgroup was put together as a joint effort by ASHI and the AST to bring together transplant clinicians and HLA professionals to brainstorm immunobiology and testing for transplant recipients. Members of the workgroup spent a few months reviewing current literature and proposing practice recommendations. The group met the day following the CEOT 2017 and was supported also by the CST, CBS, NIH, One Lambda, Immucor, and a donation from Mark Terasaki and Laurinda Jaffe in memory of Paul Terasaki. This session will provide highlights from the work and discussion of the STAR group members

*Moderators: Anat Tambur, DMD, PhD, D(ABHI), Northwestern University, Chicago, IL and Peter Nickerson, MD, FRCP, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada*

**Technical Primer**  
8:30 AM - 8:50 AM  
Anat Tambur, DMD, PhD  
Northwestern University  
Chicago, IL
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