

Asia-Pacific Histocompatibility And Immunogenetics Association Annual Scientific Meeting (APHIA 2025)

5-7th February 2025

Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University and King Chulalongkorn Memorial Hospital,
the Thai Red Cross Society

12th Floor, Bhumisiri Mangkhalanusorn Building

Final Schedule

Tuesday Feb 4th, 2025

Pre-congress Workshop at the Thai Red Cross Society (Thermo Fisher)

8.30 – 10.00	MagSort workshop (Pre-Registration required)	
10.00 – 10.20	Break	
10.20 – 10.30	Welcome	
10.30 – 12.30	Pre-Transplant Session:	
	Investigating complex antibody patterns using Single Antigen with MagSort	
	Case Study Presentations	
12.30 – 13.00	Understanding Epitopes and making better decisions with HLA MatchMaker	
13.00 – 13.45	Lunch	
13.45 – 15.45	Post-Transplant Session: Non-invasive biomarker monitoring using Cell Free DNA	
	Case Study Presentations	
15.45 – 16.00	Break	

Wednesday Feb 5th, 2025 (Day 1)

7.00 – 8.30 Registration Open

8.15 – 8.30 Opening Ceremony



Program supported by Thailand Hub of Talents in Cancer Immunotherapy, TTCI)

8.30 – 10.00 Plenary Session 1: Cellular Immunotherapy I

Chair and Co-chair: Prof. Nattiya Hirankarn and Dr. Wannakorn Khopanlert

- Role of HSCT vs CAR T cells in Hematologic Malignancy
 - Assoc. Prof. Kitsada Wudhikarn, Division of Hematology, Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand
- Challenges in delivering cellular therapies for transplant recipients and cancer patients
 - O Prof.Rajiv Khanna, Co-Director, Queensland Immunology Research
 Centre; Distinguished Scientist, Tumour Immunology Laboratory,
 QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute, Australia
- mRNA-based T cell engineering for treatment of virus-related cancer and virus infection
 - O Prof.Antonio Bertoletti, Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School, Singapore

10.00 – 10.30 Coffee Break with Poster Session I

10.30 – 12.00 Plenary Session 2: Cellular Immunotherapy II

Chair and Co-chair: Prof. Chanitra Thuwajit and Dr. Koramit Suppipat

- Clinical Application of Mesenchymal Stem Cells: Current Trends and Future Directions
 - O Prof.Jacques Galipeau,

Associate Dean for Therapeutics Development
University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health,
University of Wisconsin in Madison, USA

- T cell receptors and MHC diversity in risk, prognosis, and therapy for gliomas
 - Asst. Prof.Gary Kohanbash, Director, PNIO Laboratory, Faculty of the Department of Neurological Surgery at UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, USA
- Novel pans solid tumor CAR T cells and first in human trial in DIPG
 - O Assoc. Prof. Supannikar Tawinwung, Cellular Immunotherapy
 Research Unit, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Chulalongkorn
 University; Facility Director, Cell and Gene Therapy Manufacturing
 Center, King Chulalongkorn Memorial Hospital, Thailand

12.00 – 13.00	Lunch Break		
13.00 – 13.30	Sponsor Session I (Care Dx)		
	 Advancements in HLA loci and Permissive vs. Non-permissive Mismatches 		
13.30 – 14.00	Sponsor Session II (Gen Dx)		
	 Revolutionizing Rapid High Resolution HLA Typing with NGS-Turbo® and 		
	NGS-Pronto® using Oxford Nanopore Technologies sequencing		
14.00 – 14.30	Short Oral Presentation I		
	Chair and Co-chair: Associate Professor Aussara Punya and Dr.Thanyavi Chinsuwan		
	 HLA-E triggers carcinogenesis in cervix 		
	O Prof. Ritu Aggarwal, Department of Immunopathology, Postgraduate		
	Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh, India		
	 Workup and validation of high throughput method for HLA high resolution 		
	allelic genotyping, ABO typing and CMV IgG status		
	O Assoc. Prof. Abha Chopra, Murdoch University, Australia		
	 Anti-TROP2 CAR-T cells secreting anti-NECTIN2 scFv effectively kill high 		
	TROP2 and NECTIN2 breast cancer cells		
	O Dr. Suyanee Thongchot, Mahidol University, Thailand		

Coffee Break with Poster Session I

Concurrent Workshop I (Hillgene/BKGI): Room 1201

14.30 - 16.00

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	14.30 – 15.00	Navigating Regulatory CMC Challenges in Advanced Therapies
	15.00 – 15.30	International Perspective for Research and Development Strategies
		of Cell Drugs
	15.30 – 16.00	BCMA CAR-T on Clinical Application and Technological Development
		Trends
	16.00 – 16.30	Round table discussion and Networking: The Present and Future of
		Cell Therapeutics in Diversity Disease Treatment Applications
18.00 – 21.00	Welcome Recep	tion
	(Mandarin Hotel,	Managed by Centre Point)

Thursday Feb 6th, 2025 (Day 2)

8.30 – 10.00 Plenary Session 3: Haematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation

Chair and Co-chair: Professor Oytip Nathalang and Dr. Pawinee Kupatawintu

- HSCT: An update
 - O Dr.Dianne De Santis, PhD, FFSc (RCPA) Clinical Scientist Department of Clinical Immunology, PathWest, Fiona Stanley Hospital Adjunct Senior Teaching Fellow, University of Western Australia
- Saving Lives Across Borders: The Asia-Pacific Unrelated Stem Cell Donor Registry Experience
 - O Pawinee Kupatawintu, National Blood Center, the Thai Red Cross Society, Thailand

- O Prof.Ram Mohan Jaiswal, Mahatma Gandhi Medical College & Hospital), India
- O Garth Healey, Australian Bone Marrow Donor Registry, Australia

Coffee Break with Poster Session II 10.00 - 10.30

Plenary Session 4:HLA Genomics and Clinical Relevance

Chair and Co-chair: Dr. Nipapan Leetrakool and Assistant Professor Pattarin

Tangtanatakul

- HLA in Diseases Susceptibility and Personalized Medicine
 - O Prof.Katsushi Tokunaga, Director, Genome Medical Science Project, Research Institute, National Center for Global Health and Medicine (NCGM); Director, Central Biobank, National Center Biobank Network (NCBN)), Japan
- Clinical implementation of HLA long-read sequencing
 - O A/Prof.Pajaree Lilitkarntakul, Center of Excellence in Clinical Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacogenomics, Department of Pharmacology, Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University), Thailand
- HLA Typing and Beyond with Nanopore Sequencing
 - O Dr.Thidathip Wongsurawat, Head Division of Medical Bioinformatics, Faculty of Medicine Siriraj Hospital, Mahidol University, Thailand
- Beyond Traditional HLA Typing: NGS and HLA Imputation for Comprehensive Analysis of HLA Alleles in Thai SLE Patients
 - O Dr. Charles Khor Seik-Soon, Singapore Centre for Environmental Life Sciences Engineering, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

Lunch Break 12.00 - 13.0013.00 - 13.30Sponsor Session III (Thermo Fisher): Development and Validation of a High-Throughput Method for HLA High-Resolution Allelic Genotyping, ABO Typing, and CMV IgG Status Detection

Sponsor Session IV (TBG): HLA Typing using Nanopore with Automation Short Oral Session II

Chair: Assistant Professor Nampeung Anukul

- HLA Diversity & DSA in Australian Donors
 - O Mr. Steven Hiho, Australian Redcross Lifeblood, Australia

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- Lnc RNAs may predict allograft rejection
 - O Dr. UMA KANGA, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, India
- Characterisation of the Human Blood Grou
 - O Dr. Fredrick Mobegi, Department of Clinical Immunology, PathWest Laboratory Medicine WA, Fiona Stanley Hospital Network, Australia

14.30 – 16.00	Coffee Break with Poster Session II		
14.00 – 16.30	Concurrent Workshop II (Werfen): Room 1201		
	Werfen	HLA Innovation Station	
	14.00 – 14.10	Welcome to the Delegates	
	14.20 – 14.40	Transplant Innovation & what's in the Pipeline for the future	
	14.40 – 15.20	It's not just a Software – Match X	
	15.20 – 16.00	NGS Solutions – The new kid on the block	
	16.00 – 16.20	The Lesser-known Devil - Non HLA	
18.00 – 21.00	Gala Dinner (Co	ouncilor and Speaker Plus Guest with ticket)	

Plenary Session 5:Solid Organ Transplantation I

Chair and Co-chair: Rhonda Holdsworth and Araya Tatawatorn

- Implementation of Virtual Crossmatching in Australia: the laboratory experience
 - O Fiona Hudson, Senior Scientist at VTIS, Melbourne, Australia
- Determining compatibility in Solid Organ Transplantation Challenges and Opportunities
 - O Rhonda Holdsworth

HLA Specialist and Clinical Scientist

Specialist Advisor, Transplantation and Immunogenetics Services
Pathology and Clinical Governance Division, University of Melbourne,
Australia

- Non-HLA antibodies in solid organ transplant
 - O Dr Lucy Sullivan, Scientific Director at Australian Red Cross LifeBlood, Australia

10.00 – 10.30 Coffee Break with Poster Session III

10.30 – 12.00 Interactive Session

Case Studies for Complex Patients

Chair: Associate Professor Duangtawan Thammanichanond

- Assoc. Prof. Duangtawan Thammanichanond,
 Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics Laboratory, Faculty of
 Medicine Ramathibodi Hospital, Mahidol University, Thailand
- O Assoc. Prof. Natavudh Townamchai, Department of Internal Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand
- O Dr.Mary Diviney, Senior Clinical Scientist / Manager, Victorian
 Transplantation and Immunogenetics Service (VTIS), Australian Red
 Cross Lifeblood, Australia
- Asst. Professor Peenida Skulratanasak
 Division of Nephrology, Department of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine
 Siriraj Hospital, Mahidol University, Thailand

12.00 – 13.00 Lunch Break

13.00 – 13.30 Special Lecture by the ASHI President

	Chair and Co-chair: Associate Professor Pimpun Kitpoka and Associate Professor
Parichart Permpikul	
	 Expanding Access to Transplantation: Utilization of A2 Kidneys for O and B
	Recipient
	O Dr. Cathi Murphey, Director, Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics
	Laboratory, Southwest Immunodiagnostics, Inc. San Antonio, USA
13.30 – 14.00	Sponsor Session V (Thermo Fisher): Improving the Efficiency and Reliability of Post-
	Transplantation Monitoring and Prognosis with Donor-Derived Cell-Free DNA (dd-
	cfDNA)
14.00 – 14.30	Short Oral Session III
	Chair and Co-chair: Associate Professor Sasijit Vejbaesya and Nuchjarnun
Choktaweesuk	
	 Identification of Human Leukocyte Antigen mismatches from an in-situ renal
	allograft biopsy in a patient re-entering the kidney transplant waitlist
	O Mrs. Alicia Crisafio, PathWest Clinical Immunology, Australia
	Discrepancy in Deceased Donor Typing
	O Mrs. Arishma Lata, New Zealand Blood Services, New Zwaland
	 Imlifidase desensitisation: lab outlooks
	O Dr. Sarah Lloyd, Lifeblood, Australia
14.30 – 15.00	Coffee Break with Poster Session III
15.00 – 16.00	Plenary Session 6:Solid Organ Transplantation II
	Chair and Co-chair: Professor Yingyos Avihingsanon and Dr.Suwasin
Udomkarnjananun	
	 Management of Highly sensitized kidney transplant recipients
	O Professor Jaeseok Yang, Division of Nephrology, Department of
	Internal Medicine, Yonsei University College of Medicine, Severance
	Hospital; Laboratory of Transplantation Immunology, Yonsei University
	Severance Hospital, Korea
	O Professor Yingyos Avihingsanon, Division of Nephrology, Department
	of Internal Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University,
	Thailand
16.00 – 16.15	Concluding Remark and Closing