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Editorial Comment

Dear Members,

Welcome to the October edition of the of the TSANZ newsletter.

The core TSANZ activities of education and research remain strong as evidenced by the attendance and success and of the Postgraduate (PG) Course and Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) in June, convened this year by Kelli MacDonald/John Kanellis and Helen Pilmore/Adam Bartlett respectively. As the size of the meeting is increasing, so is the formidable task for new convenors each year in formulating a program, processing and coordinating abstract reviews, allocating prizes

and organising the social program. Thus far, convenors have displayed incredible ingenuity, finesse and success facilitated by administrative support from Aviva Rosenfeld and Sommer Twycross. Other comparable societies have dedicated Scientific Program and Education Committees (SPEC) and Council believes it is timely to our society to develop one as well.

Such a committee would drive the academic direction of your society, provide continuity to the ASM & PG Course between years, and oversee grant, awards and prizes allocations but would be free of resourcing concerns which would be the task of Council. Having broadly represented expertise, connections and more hands on deck could potentially greatly enhance the annual meeting with less work at an individual level but more opportunity for innovation at collective level. Whilst we are working out some of the details before call for expressions-of-interest, I would encourage all members at all levels to consider themselves as potential TSANZ SPEC members. In the meantime, myself and John Kanellis would also like to hear from any members that may have ideas on this issue so that we could have the most optimal starting point.

The reports in this newsletter give a nice cross-section of TSANZ and the quality of the photos from the ASM put together by Sommer in this edition is exceptional so I would encourage you to peruse.

Hilton Gock

President's Message

At present there is no elected New Zealand representative on TSANZ Council. Given that TSANZ is a bi-national society with significant areas of difference in the regulatory environment for organ and tissue transplantation between the two countries, Council agreed at its most recent meeting in June that there should be a New Zealand Representative on Council at all times. In order to enact this change in the composition of Council it will be necessary to amend the articles of our Society. An amendment is currently being prepared and will be presented to the membership for consideration at the next annual general meeting. In the meantime Council has approached Helen Pilmore to act as the New Zealand representative on Council and I am pleased to report that Helen has accepted this role. I welcome her input into Council's deliberations.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Helen Pilmore and Adam Bartlett for the outstanding scientific and social programs that they prepared for this year's annual scientific meeting and also to Kellie Macdonald and John Kanellis for the excellent post-graduate course which attracted a record attendance. Feedback from those who attended both meetings has been uniformly positive. Preparations are well underway for next year's annual scientific meeting which is being convened by Wai Lim and Lloyd D'Orsogna. Professors Bruce Blazer, Shaf Keshavjee, Fadi Lakkis and Bryce Kiberd have been confirmed as our international speakers in what promises to be a high quality scientific program. The 2013 postgraduate course is being convened by Dan Chambers and Ross Francis.

In the meantime, I would like to draw the membership's attention to an upcoming workshop on the prevention and management of pneumocystis jiroveci pneumonia (PJP) in the post-transplant setting. This workshop was the idea of Jeremy Chapman and has been prompted by the recent epidemic of fatal PJP pneumonia in transplant units across Australia. The workshop will be co-hosted by TSANZ and ANZMIG and will take place in Sydney on Wednesday 21st November. It is expected that the workshop will provide the platform for the development of (bi)national guidelines for

prevention and management of PJP infection in the post-transplant setting. Finally, Council is exploring the possibility of a holding a workshop in 2013 aimed at exploring strategies to improve access to and outcomes of organ transplantation for our indigenous population.

Peter Macdonald
President, TSANZ

President's Dinner – 30th Anniversary
Tuesday 26th June 2012
The Boat House by the Lake, Canberra



Left to right: Peter Macdonald (TSANZ President), Frank Ierino, Jeremy Chapman, Ian McKenzie, James Biggs, Phil O'Connell, Mauro Sandrin, Bruce Hall, Randall Faull, Josette Eris and Aviva Rosenfeld.

Secretary's Report

The TSANZ continues to be a very active society with over 700 active members involved in all aspects of organ transplantation. The main news relates to upcoming meetings that the TSANZ is supporting. TSANZ will be a sponsor of the 9th International summer school on Immunogenetics and Histocompatibility which will be held in association with the Asia Pacific Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics Association (APHIA) meeting in Adelaide in November 2012. The summer school provides training for the laboratory scientists who perform tissue typing for organ transplantation. Supporting the summer school is a practical way that TSANZ can contribute to the day to day business of all organ transplants by ensuring the best training for the laboratory scientists. The summer school is also supported by the European Federation of Immunogenetics (EFI) and the American Society for Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (ASHI). The main APHIA meeting has the theme of Cellular and

Antibody Assays in Transplantation and has invited speakers including Professor Duska Dragun from Germany, Professor Yasuo Morishima from Japan and Dr Bill Marks from the USA. Details of both the Summer School and the main APHIA meeting can be found online (www.plevin.com.au/aphia2012) .

Attention of the membership is also drawn to the generous awards offered by the society, updated details of which can be found on the TSANZ website.

I would particularly like to draw the memberships attention to the upcoming elections for new members of council. You should now have received notification from the Society about vacancies on the council. I would strongly encourage all eligible members to consider nominating for the council and getting involved in this great society.

Toby Coates
Honorary Secretary, TSANZ

Treasurer's Report

At the Annual General Meeting in Canberra in June, I was able to report that the Society continues to be in a strong financial position. Using money from the TTS Meeting in Sydney in 2008, we were able to hold a very successful Luminex and Tolerance Workshop in Adelaide last year, and will be having an Infectious Diseases Meeting in Sydney in November, 2012. Council plans to continue to use this money for further educational events and programs, and would welcome any suggestions for future events.

On the negative side, there are some important structural weaknesses in our financial circumstances. We continue to rely extremely heavily on our generous sponsors, even for much of the day to day running of the Society's office. Economic times are tough, and it is difficult to be confident that we will be able to continue to attract the same level of support into the future. Council believes that we need to improve the level of membership funding of our basic running costs above the current level of about 50%. As a result there will be an increase in subscriptions for 2013, the first for several years (below amounts

include gst), however there is no change to the student membership fees:-

Full membership now \$275, previously \$220
ATCA & TNA now \$33, previously \$27.50

Scott Campbell
Treasurer, TSANZ

Advisory Committees & Working Groups

The main highlights in 2011-12 were changes to TSANZ committee structure, development of administrative infrastructure to support the work of TSANZ Advisory Committees (ACs) and Working Groups (WGs), provision of secretariat support to ACs and WGs, revision of the Consensus Statement and collaboration with Australasian Transplant Coordinators Association (ATCA) and Organ and Tissue Authority (OTA). The previously-known Standing Committees were broken up into two categories (Advisory Committees and Working Groups) reflecting the nature of their activities and work processes. "Tier 1" comprises ACs which have their own terms of reference and meet regularly to accomplish projects identified in their work plans. These ACs all have roles that interact with the OTA unlike the WGs. As at 30 June 2012 there were seven ACs: Donor Surgeons Donor Coordinators (DSDC AC), Cardiac, Liver, Lung, Pancreas & Islet, Paediatric and Renal Transplant (RTAC). There were four "Tier 2" WGs which meet less regularly and have a less structured work processes in comparison to ACs. These were: Tolerance, Cornea, Tissue, and xenotransplantation. All ACs and WGs, except RTAC, report to TSANZ Council through the Chair of TSANZ Advisory Committees and Working Groups. In 2012 contacts were made with the Tissue and the Cornea WGs to explore the nature of their relationship with TSANZ Council with the view to establishing clarity around what each of the parties desire to achieve from collaboration and what resources can be deployed to facilitate the partnerships. Some further conversation on this is required to bring the issues to a closure in 2012.

Considerable progress was achieved in bedding-in a suitable administrative infrastructure required to support the work of

the ACs and WGs. For example, most ACs adopted a terms of reference, (TOR) formulated work plans and finalised meeting schedules. This information has been uploaded on the TSANZ website. The terms of reference of ACs will be published soon after the Committees have made required changes to the TOR in their June 2012 Canberra meetings.

The Advisory Committees and Working Groups were provided secretariat support by the two TSANZ Project Officers for their teleconferences and face-to-face meetings.

Version 1.2 of the Consensus Statement was published on the TSANZ website on 17 May incorporating changes proposed by the TSANZ Cardiac, Lung and Renal Transplant ACs.

A number of ATCA projects were facilitated principally through the work of DSDC AC. Preliminary work was commenced on the national organ allocation rotation audit. Dialogue was maintained throughout the year with OTA, including discussions on the progress of projects specified in the Funding Agreement.

The project officers are funded by the OTA to help OTA, TSANZ and ATCA implement a range of projects. Despite the fact that the full complement of staff was not achieved until mid January 2012, the progress has been satisfactory. With the organizational infrastructure and resources in place, ACs and WGs are poised to make further progress in 2012-13.

Geoff McCaughan

Chair, Advisory Committees/Working Groups

TSANZ-Donate Life Fun Run **Thursday 28th June 2012** **University House, Canberra**



Despite the icy cold conditions a good number turned up to support this years' early morning fun run.



Bill Mulley brought along his loving support team!



And the winners were.....Joseph Ta and Karen Dwyer (receiving her trophy from guest speaker Patria Hume)

Education & Science Report

30th Annual Scientific Meeting 27th - 29th June, 2012

This year was the fourth year of the ASM at the Manning Clark Centre venue. The meeting this year was convened by Helen Pilmore and Adam Bartlett. An outstanding scientific program was put together to cover the major clinical and scientific issues in transplantation of today. The plenary sessions and state-of-the-art concurrent sessions covered the latest understanding of transplant immunology, recipient outcomes in the region, important recipient issues such as obesity, cancer and cardiovascular risk. Cutting-edge updates covered more controversial issues such as organ donation strategies, matching donor and recipient risks and new insights in assessing sensitisation with tissue typing and managing antibody mediated rejection.

Prizes awarded at the ASM

President's Prize (Scientific): Kate Markey

President's Prize (Clinical): Chris Yates

Honorary Life Nominee: Alex Bishop

Amgen Research Grant: Huiling Wu

Mark Cocks Award: Martin Howell

KHA Clinical: S Swaminathan

KHA Laboratory: R Sutherland

Ian McKenzie Prize: Shane Grey

Roche Enabling Grant: Glen Westall

YIA Novartis: Kylie Alexander

M Didsbury

Katie Hor

Arjun Iyer

Kate Markey

J Villanueva

Nathan Zammit

YIA Pfizer: Fui J Choong

Vatsa Dave

H Nguyen

Anar Ganbold

Amy Hughes

G Kumarasinghe

Chris Yates

Amgen Book Voucher: Ana Dare

Dasuke Toki

Allison Tong



(left) President's Prize Basic Science winner and (right) President's Prize Clinical winner (Shlomo Cohney accepted the Clinical prize on behalf of the winner, Christopher Yates)



(left) Honorary Life Member nominee with TSANZ President Peter Macdonald and (right) guest speaker and transplant recipient Patria Hume



(left) Amgen-TSANZ Innovative Research Grant winner with John Knight of Amgen and (right) Mark Cocks Tx Research Scholarship winner with Mr Chris Thomas of Transplant Australia.



(left) KHA Clinical Research winner and (right) KHA Laboratory Research winner, both receiving their awards from Toby Coates



Pfizer YIA winners with Wade May of Pfizer



(left) Ian McKenzie Prize winner and (right) the Roche Enabling Grant winner receiving his award from Bronwyn Marshall of Roche



Amgen Book Voucher winners with John Knight of Amgen

Membership

Since the last newsletter, Council welcomed the following new members:-

TSANZ

Rahul Dua, Keren Grynberg, Siah Kim, Mardiana Lee, Thaminda Liyanage, Amali Mallawaarachchi, Mamdoh Moawadh, Kate Muller, Carl Muthu, Deborah Perkins, Elena Shklovskaya, Mark Steven, Rahul Sud, Joseph Ta, Zaw Thet, Nikhil Vivek Thyagarajan, Alwie Tjipto, Edmund Tse and Sheryn Wang.

TNA/TSANZ

Jacqueline Kimpton.

ATCA/TSANZ

Janine Cunningham, Ellen Madex, Lisa Picone And Tara Russell

RESIGNATIONS

Since the last newsletter, Council has accepted the following resignations: Frank Christiansen, Peter Hollett, Mansour Mustafa, Stephen Orr, Matthew Stephenson and Daryl Wall



Novartis YIA winners with Robert Huggan from Novartis

Society Awards and Grants

The Society provides a number of benefits for members, which include support to attend national and international transplantation meetings and reduced fees at meetings sponsored by the society.

The eligibility criteria for each award are outlined on the TSANZ website:

www.tsanz.com.au/awardsandfellowships/index.asp

Travel Grant Award Reports

American Transplant Congress

2-6 June 2012

Boston MA, United States

Allison Tong

With the generous support of the Transplantation Society of Australia and New Zealand (TSANZ) Travel Grant, I attended the American Transplant Congress in Boston, 2-6 June 2012. There was a rich exchange and dissemination of scientific and clinical knowledge, and fascinating discussions on socioeconomic, ethical, and policy issues in transplantation.

During the meeting, I presented three posters on topics including the motivations and experiences of living kidney donors, guidelines on the assessment and care of living kidney donors and patient preferences of organ allocation. The poster sessions provided an opportunity to meet other experts working in similar fields.

The plenaries, debates and research presentations gave me more insight about the clinical and policy priorities in transplantation at an international level, and inspired ideas for new research projects. The ATC 2012 app and Twitter Feed were extremely useful for keeping up to date on all the latest events and news throughout the meeting.

In particular, I enjoyed the sessions on living kidney donation during which there were interesting discussions on a range of issues including the lessons and progress of paired and domino-paired exchange programs, ABO incompatible living donor transplantation,

challenges of assessing long-term outcomes, and screening and management of medically borderline living kidney donors. Presentations were given by investigators from the Kidney Donor Outcomes Cohort (KDOC) Study, Renal and Lung Living Donors Evaluation (RELIVE) Study, Assessing Long Term Outcomes after Living Kidney Donation (ALTOLD) Study, and the Donor Nephrectomy Outcomes Research (DONOR) Network); and I had the opportunity to meet a number of the investigators involved in these major, multi-site studies.

Another notable symposium was on the primary and essential care of transplant recipients. This was a highly educational session covering clinical issues including treatment and management of hypertension, diabetes management, infection and vaccination after transplantation, and cancer prevention and screening.

During the ATC, there were two major debates including one on molecular diagnostics and regulatory environment (autonomy vs. regulation), of which I attended the latter. Although arguments and rebuttals were made in the context of the American healthcare system, it was interesting an interesting debate.

One of Sunrise Symposiums on the last day of the ATC addressed transplant tourism, which has recently become one of my research interests. Presentations covered the “state of play,” highlighting the initiatives of international organisations and national governments to prevent transplant tourism; and an ethical discussion on commercial transplantation

including regulated markets for compensation kidney donation.

The visit to Boston was not only a time to be engaged in the forefront of science in transplantation but to learn about the culture and rich history of America, particularly the city’s role in the American Revolution. Staying in Back Bay, the centre of the city, I was able to easily explore Boston’s charming neighbourhoods with historic homes and churches, boutiques and restaurants; and Boston Common, the central public park in the city. Also, I took the chance to visit the Harvard University campus – established in

1636, it is the oldest institution of higher education in the United States.

Again, I would to thank the TSANZ for the amazing opportunity to attend the ATC in Boston. It was without a doubt a very worthwhile experience and I hope to be able to attend the ATC again.

Huiling Wu

I would like to thank the TSANZ for supporting my travel to Boston for American Transplant Congress 2012. This was a great opportunity for me to learn more about “cutting edge” research in transplantation.

The meeting program was extensive, and covered a broad range of topics in transplantation, both scientific and clinical aspects. In the basic science session, the roles of T and B regulatory cells in transplant rejection and tolerance, biomarkers for immune monitoring, clinical diagnostic and therapeutic opportunities in solid organ transplantation, and new therapeutics in transplantation were of particular interest for my current research.

My project involves targeting innate immunity in kidney ischemia reperfusion injury and allograft rejection. This conference gave me the opportunity to present my works entitled “HMGB1 preconditioning protects against kidney ischemia reperfusion injury” in the session of Innate Immune Mechanisms in Ischemic Injury, which was one of several sessions looking at the role of innate immunity in transplantation. My second talk is entitled “Absence of MyD88 Signalling

Induces Donor Specific Kidney Allograft Tolerance through an Increased Ratio of Regulatory T Cells over Th17 Cells” in a concurrent session of Regulatory Cells and Molecules for Therapeutic Modulation. The importance of this work has been highlighted in the prestigious “What’s Hot, What’s New” session (Basic Science) at this American Transplantation Congress 2012.

Attendance and presentation of my work at this meeting has hugely improved my knowledge of transplant immunology. Once again, I would like to thank the TSANZ for their support.

TTS Congress
15-20 July, 2012
Berlin, Germany

Katherine Barraclough

I would like to thank TSANZ for the travel grant that enabled me to attend the XXIV International Congress of the Transplantation Society. The meeting was held July 15-19 at the Berlin Convention Centre, Germany.

The scientific program was, as expected, of a high standard. It addressed new developments in the fields of immunosuppression, immunobiology and molecular diagnosis of allograft tolerance and rejection, with perhaps less focus on the more clinical aspects of transplantation.

As this was my first trip away from early-rising children in over 2 years, I had envisaged relaxed starts to each day. But, on studying the program, I found the early morning symposia too appealing, and luckily did not regret getting up for these sessions. Particularly, I was interested in the session on the clinical impact of sensitization, which covered the topics of complement in organ transplantation, complement-fixing antibodies in solid phase assays, donor specific antibody associated pathology and the utility of the virtual cross-match in solid organ transplantation. On a less scientific note, I enjoyed the sunrise session on ‘Women in Transplantation’, which provided various perspectives from female medical professionals in both the developed and developing world.

My PhD research has focused on pharmacogenetic and pharmacokinetic monitoring of immunosuppression. Subsequently, I was interested in new developments in these areas. With respect to the former topic, Van Gelder and Van Schaik from the Netherlands presented new data showing an influence of a single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) in the CYP3A4 gene (CYP3A4 rs35599367C>T) on tacrolimus pharmacokinetics in kidney transplant recipients. Their work suggested that analysis of this SNP might help in identifying patients at risk of tacrolimus overexposure. While Dennis Hesselink (also from the Netherlands) presented a nice review on drug pharmacokinetics and pharmacokinetic

monitoring in transplantation, very little new data were presented.

Excellent plenary sessions were presented throughout the conference. Most interesting to me was the opening plenary titled 'Organ Scarcity: How Can We Meet Increasing Demands?' This focused on how to decrease organ shortage and covered procurement of organs from extended criteria and DCD donors and increasing the donor pool by reducing ischemia/reperfusion injury, as exemplified by pancreas/kidney transplantation.

Beyond the science, I was really grateful to have the opportunity to spend some time in Berlin, a place I have always wanted to visit. As a city, it contains so much recent history, and I was overwhelmed by its incredibly high quality museum and memorial presentation of the period of Nazi rule and the building then fall of the Berlin Wall. In addition, Berlin is full of great cafes, restaurants, bars and shops, so I made sure I had my fill of schnitzel, [sauerkraut](#), sausages, dumplings and shopping!

Again, I would like to express my sincere thanks to the society for given me the opportunity to attend this conference and simultaneously experience a great city.

Ling Gao

Sincere thanks to TSANZ for their generous support in providing me with a travel grant to attend the 24th International Congress of The Transplantation Society held in Berlin, Germany during July 15th -20th 2012. It was a rewarding experience for me as it gave me an opportunity to present work I have done together with my colleagues here in Australia and, more importantly, provided me with a great chance to communicate with my peers who share the same interests in organ transplantation related researches.

Organ shortages and growing waiting lists are an ever increasing problem faced today in organ transplantation. Measures to overcome organ scarcity were among issues highlighted during the conference. Donations after cardiac death (DCD) as an alternative source, in addition to donation after brain death, have yielded promising results in clinical use of lung, liver and kidney transplantation. Increasing numbers of solid organ

transplantation using DCD donors have been reported in this year's TTS congress with DCD lung transplantation shown to have achieved extreme success in post-transplant outcomes and resulted in increase of donor pool. Meanwhile, machine perfusion has been increasingly reported to achieve better oxygen delivery, allow normal metabolic activity, minimise ischemia reperfusion injury, and assess viability of donor organs during preservation.

Although DCD hearts are not currently being utilised for human heart transplantation due to the fear of irrecoverable myocardial damage after cardiac death, improved preservation techniques, coupled with the ongoing shortage of donor hearts, have renewed interest in DCD heart procurement. Experimental studies by a Canadian group at the University of Manitoba have suggested that hearts from donor after cardiac death can regain sufficient function to support circulation when resuscitated in vivo. Their latest results presented at the conference demonstrated successful resuscitation and ex vivo assessment of the DCD hearts when subjected to a comprehensive approach employing tepid reperfusion, avoiding hyperkalemia, followed by continuous perfusion of the heart. Adding to that, an experimental study conducted by our research group (accepted as late breaking abstract) investigated the impact of varying periods of warm ischemia and the effects of pharmacological additives in cardioplegic and storage solution as strategies against ischemia reperfusion injury on cardiac function of DCD porcine hearts. Our results have shown that while detrimental effects of warm ischemia become evident beyond 20 minutes, pharmacological strategies targeting pro-survival signalling pathways can significantly improve cardiac functional recovery and result in viable cardiac functional recovery after a warm ischemic time up to 40 mins. Further investigation in the potential use of DCD heart for transplantation is warranted.

Katie Hor

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the TSANZ for their generous travel grant, which enabled me to present my work at the 24th annual Transplantation Society (TTS) meeting. The conference, which had over 2000

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The conference was a perfect mixture of clinical and scientific research, with many sessions being of particular relevance to my field. Often running between concurrent sessions, I found it very interesting to see work from Belgium, the United States, Germany, Spain, Korea, the United Kingdom and Canada all working on similar things to my own. These abstracts were spread over orals, mini orals and poster sessions and interspersed with other interesting finds in kidney and non-kidney related research. My own oral presentation, entitled "Clusterin and other urinary proteins as predictive biomarkers of long term fibrosis and function in kidney recipients" was in a very interesting section entitled "Immune Monitoring, Transplantomics and Biomarkers" and not only included 7 other strong presentations, but some interesting discussion from the audience. It was of great importance to hear how the attendees perceived my work, as it was the first time I have had the opportunity to present this work to an international audience.

They say the early bird catches the worm, and in this case, one of the most interesting symposiums of the conference. Starting at 7am, the sunrise symposium on "Biomarkers of Tolerance" was of particular interest to me, with Roedder, Hernandez-Fuentes and Sanchez-Fueyo from the United States and the United Kingdom. The speakers gave an overview of the biomarker discovery relating to tolerance, using genomics and proteomics in kidney and liver transplants. There has been evidence of tolerant signatures identified in blood of both transplant populations, that can not only identify tolerance with high sensitivity and specificity, but also align non tolerant patients into a potential group of patients where immunosuppression could perhaps be decreased. Of interest was also the emerging

microRNA approach to biomarker discovery, which was also addressed in a separate immunobiology session dedicated to the topic. MicroRNA work was also heavily covered in oral and poster sessions from groups worldwide.

The conference not only gave me the opportunity to present my work, but also to meet key people in my field and update me on the latest advances in transplantation. This was my first International conference, and really opened my eyes to the enormity of the transplantation field, not only in kidney transplant research, but in all solid organ and cells, as well as in xenotransplantation models. Once again, I would like to express my thanks to the TSANZ for their support which enabled me to attend this highly important meeting.

Calendar of Events

The 9th International School of
Immunogenetics
11-13th November 2012
Victor Harbour, South Australia
www.plevin.com.au/summerschool

Advanced International Training Course in
Transplant Coordination
12th - 16th of November 2012
Barcelona, Spain
www.tpm.org

Asia Pacific Histocompatibility and
Immunogenetics Association
36th Annual Meeting
14th - 16th November 2012
National Wine Centre, South Australia
Website: www.plevin.com.au/aphia2012

3rd ELPAT Congress on Ethical, Legal and
Psychosocial Aspects of Transplantation
April 20-23, 2013
Rotterdam, The Netherlands
www.elpat.org

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