



DAY 1 | TUESDAY, MAY 19

PM	Registration	
16:00	Opening Ceremony Welcome Address: Katsushi TOKUNAGA and Takashi SHIINA, Co-chairs of the 19th IHIWS	📍 Convention Hall A
16:10-17:00	Commemorative Symposium in Honor of Frans HJ CLAAS, Clara GORODEZKY, Takehiko SASAZUKI and Hidetoshi INOKO	
	Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sebastiaan HEIDT, Netherlands • Marcelo FERNANDEZ-VIÑA, USA • James McCLUSKEY, Australia • Takashi SHIINA, Japan 	
17:00-18:30	Invited Lecture	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HLA class I signal peptide variation and CD94/NKG2A regulation of NK cells Mary Carrington, USA 2. Narcolepsy and Brain Autoimmunity Emmanuel Mignot, USA 3. A brief history of HLA Nomenclature Steven GE Marsh, UK 	
18:30-20:30	Welcome Reception	📍 Exhibition Hall

DAY 2 | WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

Room Capacity	301 80 seats	302 80 seats	401 80 seats	402	407 80 seats	406 30 seats	408 30 seats	409 30 seats
9:30-11:00	1-3_1 NGS of Full-length HLA genes of Reference Cell Lines	3-2 SNP-HLA Reference Consortium (SHLARC)	2-5_1 Serology 2026	2-1 Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation	2-9 Mapping HLA epitopes and functional eplets	1-10 Pharmacogenetics		1-11_1 Clinical Relevance of Donor-Derived DNA Measurement Assays in Post-transplant Surveillance
11:00-11:30	Break							
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13:00-14:00	Lunch 📍 Convention Room B							
14:00-15:30		1-9_1 LRC structure and polymorphism	2-2_1 HLA Loss Relapse after hematopoietic cell transplantation		2-3 Immunogenicity of HLA-DQ antibodies (epitopes) / 2-4 Definition of molecular mismatch immunogenicity		1-4_1 Population Genetics, Anthropology and Evolution	
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17:30-18:00	SAKE Tasting 📍 Lobby, 4th floor							
18:30-20:30	Dinner 📍 Exhibition hall							



DAY 3 | THURSDAY, MAY 21

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9:30-11:00	2-1-2 Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation	1-12 HLA Haplotypes in Families		2-3 Immunogenicity of HLA-DQ antibodies (epitopes) / 2-6 Adsorption elution study for the antibody-verification of eplets	3-3_1 Clinical Histocompatibility Laboratory Informatics	3-4 HLA-Disease Association Platform (HLA-DAP)	1-5 High-resolution KIR sequencing
11:00-11:30	Break						
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13:00-14:00	Lunch ♡ Convention Room B						
14:00-15:30	1-3_2 NGS of Full-length HLA genes of Reference Cell Lines	2-10 ABO Histocompatibility	2-2_2 1 HLA Loss Relapse after hematopoietic cell transplantation	2-8 Matched kidney donor project	1-13 Diversity of HLA-E, F, G, MICA, and MICB genes	1-7 Immunogenetics of type 1 diabetes in world populations	1-2 Immunogenetics of Aging
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17:30-18:00	SAKE Tasting ♡ Lobby, 4th floor						
18:30-20:30	Dinner ♡ Exhibition hall						

DAY 4 | FRIDAY, MAY 22

One Day Excursion





DAY 5 SATURDAY, MAY 23

Room Capacity	301 80 seats	302 80 seats	401 80 seats	407 80 seats	406 30 seats	408 30 seats	409 30 seats
9:30-11:00	2-1-3 Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation	1-9_2 LRC structure and polymorphism (Technical sharing)	2-5_2 Serology 2026	2-3 Immunogenicity of HLA-DQ antibodies (epitopes) / 2-4 Definition of molecular mismatch immunogenicity	3-3_2 Clinical Histocompatibility Laboratory Informatics.	1-4_2 Population Genetics, Anthropology and Evolution	1-5-2 High-resolution KIR sequencing
11:00-11:30	Break						
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13:00-14:00	Lunch ♡ Convention Room B						
14:00-15:30	3-1 DaSH for NGS					1-8 Creating Fully Representative MHC Reference Haplotypes	1-11-2 Clinical Relevance of Donor-Derived DNA Measurement Assays in Post-transplant Surveillance
15:30-16:00	Break						
16:00-17:30	3-1 DaSH for NGS					1-8 Creating Fully Representative MHC Reference Haplotypes	1-11-2 Clinical Relevance of Donor-Derived DNA Measurement Assays in Post-transplant Surveillance
17:30-18:00	SAKE Tasting ♡ Lobby, 4th floor						
18:30-20:30	Dinner ♡ Exhibition hall						

DAY 6 | SUNDAY, MAY 24

Project Summaries by Project Leaders

A 10 minutes per presentation

Venue: Convention Hall

9:30-11:00	<p>1-2 Immunogenetics of Aging</p> <p>1-3 NGS of Full-length HLA genes of Reference Cell Lines</p> <p>1-4 Population Genetics, Anthropology and Evolution (PGAE)</p> <p>1-5 High-resolution KIR sequencin</p> <p>1-7 Immunogenetics of type 1 diabetes in world populations</p> <p>1-8 Creating Fully Representative MHC Reference Haplotypes</p> <p>1-9 LRC structure and polymorphism</p> <p>3-2 SNP-HLA Reference Consortium (SHLARC)</p>
11:00-11:15	Break
11:15-12:45	<p>1-11 Clinical Relevance of Donor Derived DNA Measurement Assays in Post transplant Surveillance</p> <p>1-12 HLA Haplotypes in Families</p> <p>1-13 Diversity of HLA-E, F, G, MICA, and MICB genes.</p> <p>2-1 Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation</p> <p>2-2 HLA Loss Relapse after hematopoietic cell transplantation</p> <p>2-3 Immunogenicity of HLA-DQ antibodies (epitopes) / 2-4 Definition of molecular mismatch immunogenicity</p> <p>2-3 Immunogenicity of HLA-DQ antibodies (epitopes) / 2-6 Adsorption elution study for the antibody-verification of eplets</p> <p>2-5 Serology 2026</p>
12:45-14:00	Lunch and Photo Session
14:00-15:30	<p>2-8 Matched kidney donor project</p> <p>2-9 Mapping HLA epitopes and functional eplets</p> <p>2-10 ABO Histocompatibility</p> <p>3-1 DaSH for NGS</p> <p>1-10 Pharmacogenetics</p> <p>3-3 Clinical Histocompatibility Laboratory Informatics.</p> <p>3-4 HLA-Disease Association Platform (HLA-DAP)</p> <p>Closing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eric Spearings and Sebastiaan Heidt: IHIWS Council Activities Report and Announcement of 20th IHIWS Chair and New Councillors Katsushi Tokunaga and Takashi Shiina: Farewell Greetings