Thursday, January 17th, 2008

Arrivals

Dinner at the Hotel at 7.00 pm
After dinner presentation approx 9.00 pm
Pioneer in Transplantation - Dr. José O. Medina Pestana, UNIFESP, Brazil

Friday, January 18th, 2008

Session 1  8.30 am – 10.45 am

Practical Use of Genomics in Organ Transplantation

Chair: Nicholas L. Tilney, USA and Stuart Knechtle, USA

Presentation 1.1
KOL: Robert B. Colvin, Massachusetts General Hospital, USA
New KOL: Dr. Rex Neal Smith, USA
Title: Antibodies as a Predictor of Late Rejection

Presentation 1.2
KOL: Jean-Paul Soulillou, ITERT-INSERM, France
New KOL: Dr. Sophie Brouard, France
Title: Predicting Immunologic Risk Following Transplantation

Presentation 1.3
KOL: Minnie Sarwal, Stanford University School of Medicine, USA
New KOL: Dr. Maarten Naesens, USA
Title: Diagnostic Information Obtained from DNA Microarrays in Transplant Patients

Presentation 1.4
KOL: Kenneth Newell, Emory University, USA
New KOL: Dr. Avi Agarwal, USA
Title: Assessing Immunity Following Renal Transplantation: Unique Features of Tolerant Patients

Break  10.45 am – 11.15 am
Session 2
Organ Donation in Developing Countries
11.15 am – 1.00 pm
Chairs: Francis L. Delmonico, USA and Josefina Alberù, Mexico

Presentation 2.1
KOL: Rudolf Garcia-Gallont, Hospital General San Juan de Dios, Guatemala
New KOL: Dr. Diana Meneses, Guatemala
Title: The Dawn of Organ Donation from Deceased Donors in a Typical Third World Country: Challenges Found, and Lessons to Learn

Presentation 2.2
KOL: Alejandro Niño-Murcia, Columbian de Trasplantes, Colombia
New KOL: Dr. Maria Paula Gómez, Instituto Nacional de Salud, Colombia
Title: Organ Donation Developments

KOL: Domingo Casadei, Nephrology S.A., Argentina
New KOL: Dr. Ruben Schiavelli, Hospital Cosme Argerich, Argentina
Title: Traceability in Organ Donation

KOL: Beatriz Mahillo Durán, Spanish National Transplant Organization, Spain
Title: Global Observatory on Donation and Transplantation: Data from Developing Countries

Lunch
1.00 pm – 2.00 pm

Session 3
Predicting Immunological Risk
2.00 pm – 3.45 pm
Chairs: Minnie Sarwal, USA and Jean-Paul Soulillou, France

Presentation 3.1
KOL: Hans-Dieter Volk, Institute of Medical Immunology, Germany
New KOL: Dr. Peter Nickel, Germany
Title: Predicting Immunologic Risk of Renal Transplant Patients

Presentation 3.2
KOL: Peter Heeger, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, USA
New KOL: Dr. Emilio Poggio, USA
Title: ELISPOT Ability to Predict Graft Outcome

Presentation 3.3
KOL: Francis L. Delmonico, Massachusetts General Hospital, USA
New KOL: Dr. Nader Najafian, USA
Title: The Role of T-Regulatory Cells in Human Transplant Outcomes

4.45 pm – Coffee Plantation Tour followed by Dinner at Café Britt
Saturday, January 19th, 2008

Session 4  8.30 am – 10.45 am
Latin American Transplantation
Chairs: Josefina Alberù, Mexico and José Medina Pestana, Brazil

Presentation 4.1
KOL: Carmen Gracida, Hospital de Especialidades CMN Siglo XXI, Mexico
New KOL: Dr. Ramón Espinoza-Pérez, Mexico
Title: Long Term Survival of 923 Living Donors

Presentation 4.2
KOL: Maria Matamoros, National Children's Hospital, Costa Rica
New KOL: Dr. Pablo Garbanzo Corrales, Costa Rica
Title: Liver Transplantation in a Developing Country, Breaking Worldwide Rules and Getting Results

Presentation 4.3
KOL: Mario Abbud-Filho, Instituto de Urologia e Nefrologia and Medical School, Brazil
New KOL: Dr. Maria Alice S.F. Baptista, Brazil
Title: Genetic Polymorphisms and Chronic Allograft Dysfunction

Presentation 4.4
KOL: Leonel González, Centro de Investigaciones Médico Quirúrgicas, Cuba
New KOL: Dr. Anselmo Abdo, Cuba
Title: Cuba Experience in Liver Transplantation

Break  10.45 am – 11.15 am

Session 5  11.15 am – 1.00 pm
Basic Science of Rejection
Chairs: Nicholas L. Tilney, USA and Gabriel M. Danovitch, USA

Presentation 5.1
KOL: Stuart Knechtle, University of Wisconsin School of Medicine & Public Health, USA
New KOL: Dr. Debra Bloom, USA
Title: Predicting Rejection and Tolerance: what assays are useful in humans?

Presentation 5.2
KOL: Peter Heeger, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, USA
New KOL: Dr. Geetha Chalasani, University of Pittsburgh, USA
Title: The Role of Lymphoid Tissue, Effector and Memory T Cells in Rejection

Presentation 5.3
KOL: Manikkam Suthanthiran, New York Presbyterian-Cornell, USA
New KOL: Dr. Darshana Dadhania, USA
Title: Urinary Markers of Renal Allograft Rejection
Session 6 2.00 pm – 4.15 pm

Transplantation in Latin America and the Caribbean

Chairs: Maria Matamoros, Costa Rica and Mario Abbud-Filho, Brazil

Presentation 6.1
KOL: Fernando Girón, Colombiana de Trasplantes, Colombia
New KOL: Dr. Yenny Báez, Colombia
Title: Experience with Alemtuzumab in Kidney Transplantation

Presentation 6.2
KOL: Josefina Alberù, Instituto Nacional de Ciencias Médicas y Nutrición, Mexico
New KOL: Dr. Luis E. Morales, Mexico
Title: Exploring the Humoral Theory: HLA and MICA Antibodies as a Risk Factor in Kidney Transplantation

Presentation 6.3
KOL: José Nelson Carvajal, Hospital San Vicente de Paul, Colombia
New KOL: Dr. Joaquin Rodelo, Colombia
Title: Renal Transplantation in the Elderly: A Single Center Experience

Presentation 6.4
KOL: Lesley Ann Roberts, National Organ Transplant Unit, Trinidad and Tobago
New KOL: Dr. Lakshmipathi Peram, Trinidad and Tobago
Title: Kidney Transplants - The Trinidad Experience

4:15 pm – Closing Remarks by Nicholas L. Tilney

5.15 pm – City Tour of San José followed by dinner at Le Monastère Restaurant

Sunday, January 20th, 2008 - Departures

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