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Mentee-Mentor Travel Award Winners



The Transplantation Society (TTS), along with the collaboration of the **American Society of Transplantation (AST)**, **British Transplantation Society (BTS)**, **Canadian Society of Transplantation (CST)**, **Société Francophone de Transplantation (SFT)**, **European Society of for Organ Transplantation (ESOT)**, **Japan Society for Transplantation (JST)** and the **The Transplantation Society of Australia and New Zealand (TSANZ)**, acknowledge the contributions of basic science to the field of Transplantation. The Basic Science Mentee/Mentor award recognizes the efforts of established basic scientists, who have advanced our understanding of transplant science/immunobiology and/or treatment of transplant recipients, and the mentorship of new young investigators who have the potential to contribute to the basic science of transplantation. The goal of this Mentee/Mentor Travel Award is to (1) foster the training of new young investigators in basic science of transplantation; (2) promote research in the basic science of transplantation; (3) encourage dialog and interactions between trainees and established investigators at the BSS 2011.

The Mentee-Mentor Award recipients for the BSS 2011 are listed below:

TTS / AST Awards

- O-3.2
Bhatt, Sumantha, USA - Mentee / Valujskikh, Anna - Mentor
Neutralizing BAFF and APRIL in combination with anti-CD154 Ab treatment and CD8+ T cell depletion induces long term cardiac allograft survival in mice containing memory CD4+ T cells
- **P-014**
Krzystyniak, Adam, USA - Mentee / Witkowski, Piotr - Mentor
Coating of human pancreatic islets with CD4+CD25+CD127- T regulatory cells inhibits rejection. A novel immunoprotective approach.
- O-2.2
Zhang, Wensheng, USA - Mentee / Zheng, Xin Xiao - Mentor
CTA containing vascularized bone marrow offer the inherent potential for stable mixed chimerism and tolerance.

TTS / BTS Awards

- P-051
Ellis, Jonathan, UK - Mentee / Inston, Nicholas - Mentor
Histone Deacetylase Inhibition reveals a potent immunosuppressant effect in an in vitro model of Transplantation

TTS / CST Awards

- P-011
Dijke, Esme, Canada - Mentee / West, Lori - Mentor
Impact of thymectomy and heart transplantation on CD4+FOXP3+ T-cell diversity in infants

TTS / ESOT Awards

- O-2.6
Grohnert, Anja, The Netherlands - Mentee / Baan, Carla - Mentor
IL-2-independent induction of novel CD4+CD25+CD127-FOXP3+ T cells by mesenchymal stem cells and natural regulatory T cells
- O-1.2
Riquelme, Paloma, Germany - Mentee / Geissler, Edward - Mentor
Mouse Macrophages Driven to a Novel State of Activation Prolong Allograft Survival in Unconditioned, Non-immunosuppressed Recipients
- O-3.1
Sabet-Baktach, Manije, Germany - Mentee / Schlitt, Hans J. - Mentor
Cutting-edge model to study the role of ROR γ T in T17-mediated allograft rejection
- P-015
Schmuek, Michael, Germany - Mentee / Volk, Hans-Dieter - Mentor
Impaired IL2 signaling promotes CD4-mediated antiviral CD8+ T cell response

TTS / SFT Awards

- P-050
Taffin, Cécile, France - Mentee / Mooney, Nuala - Mentor
Human microvascular endothelial cells induce polarization of Th-17 and regulatory-T cell sub-populations under inflammatory conditions

TTS / JST Awards

- O-3.4
Tazawa, Hirofumi, Japan - Mentee / Ohdan, Hideki - Mentor
Pivotal role of invariant NKT cell - B cell interaction in antibody production against transplant-associated carbohydrate epitopes

TTS / TSANZ Awards

- P-021
Cunningham, Eithne, Australia - Mentee / Bishop, Alex - Mentor
High level expression of donor MHC in recipient liver promotes mouse skin transplant tolerance
- O-2.3
Habib, Miriam, Australia - Mentee / Sharland, Alexandra - Mentor
Systemic overexpression of endogenous secretory RAGE attenuates renal ischaemia-reperfusion injury
- P-113
Rogers, Natasha, Australia - Mentee / Coates, Toby - Mentor
Amelioration of renal ischemia-reperfusion injury by liposomal delivery of an NF κ B inhibitor to renal tubular epithelial and antigen presenting cells

TTS Awards

- P-036
Ata, Pinar, Turkey - Mentee / Tittiz, M. Izzet - Mentor
Flowcytometric detection of anti-AB antibody titers in blood group O renal recipients with blood group A2 donors
- P-027
Hock, Karin, Austria - Mentee / Wekerle, Thomas - Mentor
Mechanistic analysis of costimulation blockade-resistant rejection of donor bone marrow triggered by donor T cells
- P-108
Li, Changxian, People's Republic of China - Mentee / Man, Kwan - Mentor
Aldose reductase accelerates small-for-size fatty liver graft injury
- P-029
Liu, Quan, USA - Mentee / Zheng, Xin Xiao - Mentor
Vascularized Bone Marrow Transplantation: A New Approach to Induce Organ Transplant Tolerance
- P-030
Moore, Carolina, Chile - Mentee / Roseblatt, Mario - Mentor
Allogeneic Treg generated in vitro with retinoic acid and TGF- β control cytokine production and allograft rejection
- P-111
Qi, Xiang, People's Republic of China - Mentee / Man, Kwan - Mentor
Down-regulation of Glutathione peroxidase 3 (GPx3) by acute phase inflammation in small-for-size graft promotes tumor invasiveness after liver transplantation