

Dear colleagues and patients

We invite you to join us for an interactive symposium on sex- and gender-specific issues in transplantation as important, but potentially under-recognized factors determining patient and transplant outcomes. Our symposium will connect clinicians, researchers, and patients from around the globe by combining in-person meeting at Herrenhausen Palace with virtual workshops.

The National Institute of Health (NIH), the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) and an increasing number of other funding agencies expect that sex as a biological variable will be factored into research designs, analyses, and reporting in vertebrate animal and human studies. The recognition of potential differences and their impact for science has been an important step forward. It reinforces the establishment of still mostly unavailable, but necessary scientific insights. Sex refers to the biological and physiological differences, gender is seen as a social concept.

In contrast to the predominantly taken perspective, i.e. the male perspective, we will make an effort to report the existing evidence from a female perspective and beyond. It starts by providing epidemiological findings on access and outcome in transplantation, followed by evaluating underlying and causative factors for known disparities. We discuss with researchers, clinicians and patients how to implement sex/gender related questions in basic and clinical research proposals. In addition to including patients' expectations, we also want to shed light on the situation of female researchers, especially clinician-scientists, in the field of transplantation.

We look forward to presenting a comprehensive overview of the current evidence and expect to identify areas where more basic and/or clinical research is needed, especially from a female patient-centered perspective and in support of female careers.

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Registration & Abstract submission

Please register and/or submit your abstract by emailing to DiversityInTransplantation@mh-hannover.de

For further information please visit our website:
<http://www.DiversityInTransplantation.com>

Venue

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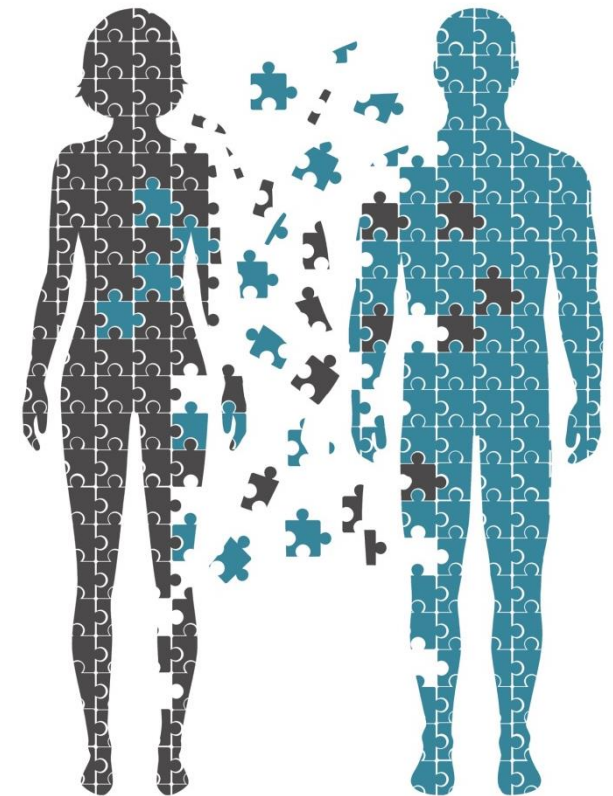
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Sex/gender in transplantation The female perspective



Exploring the needs and
defining the areas for
future research

International Symposium
October 5-7, 2022

Our symposium in close cooperation with Women in Transplantation (WIT) and the DFG funded clinician scientist program PRACTIS intends to shed light on the question how sex and gender affect different aspects of the transplantation process.

October 5th, 2022

- 12:00 Greetings**
N.N.
Ministry of Science & Culture, Lower Saxony
Michael Manns
President, Hannover Medical School
Elke Büdenbender, Berlin (angefragt)
Louise Lermينياux, Los Angeles
Patient advocate
- 12:40 Facts and myths on sex and gender in transplantation**
Introduction and interactive session
Anette Melk, Hannover, Germany
- Session I Epidemiology / Clinical data**
Moderator: Nima Memaran, Hannover, Germany
- 13:20 Global impact of sex and gender disparity**
Germaine Wong, Sydney, Australia
- 13:40 Sex and gender in transplantation: Perspective of an Editor-in-Chief**
Jeremy Chapman
Editor-in-Chief Transplantation
Sydney, Australia
- 14:00 Coffee break**
- 15:00 Graft outcome**
Bethany Foster, Montreal, Canada
- 15:20 Cardiovascular risk**
Anette Melk, Hannover, Germany
- 15:40 Oral presentations from selected abstracts**
- 16:10 Discussion**
Moderator, presenters & audience
- 16:40 Refreshments – Breakout rooms**
- Panel A.1 Women in transplantation medicine and research**
Moderator: Roslyn Mannon, Omaha, USA
Parallel Panels, participants from Western hemisphere
- 17:30 Clinicians, clinician-scientists, scientists & health care professionals**
- 19:30 Get-together**

October 6th, 2022

Panel A.2 Women in transplantation medicine and research

Moderator: Curie Ahn, Seoul, South Korea
Parallel Panels, participants from Eastern hemisphere

- 08:30 Clinicians, clinician-scientists, scientists & health care professionals**
- 10:30 Networking & mentoring – Breakout rooms**
- 11:30 Lunch break with poster session**
(all posters also available as e-posters)

Session II Insights into basic research and methodology

Moderator: Lori West, Edmonton, Canada

- 13:00 Genes, hormones and alloimmunity**
Stefan Tullius, Boston, USA
- 13:20 H-Y and the humoral response**
Anita Chong, Chicago, USA
- 13:40 Sex/gender in transplantation: beyond binary categories**
TBA
- 14:00 Oral presentations from selected abstracts**
- 14:30 Discussion**
Moderator, presenters & audience
- 15:00 Coffee break**

Session III Professional development

Moderator: TBA

- 15:30 Achieving equity in transplant careers**
Marina Berenguer, Valencia, Spain
- 15:50 Report from Panel A**
Roslyn Mannon & Curie Ahn
- 16:10 Panel discussion**
Representatives from all groups
- 17:10 Refreshments**

Panel B.1 Unmet needs in transplantation medicine and research

Moderator: TBA
Parallel Panels, participants from Western hemisphere

- 17:30 Perspectives from clinicians, scientists & patients**
- 19:30 Dinner (incl. award presentation)**

October 7th, 2022

Panel B.2 Unmet needs in transplantation medicine and research

Moderator: TBA
Parallel Panels, participants from Eastern hemisphere

- 08:30 Perspectives from clinicians, scientists & patients**
- 10:30 Networking & mentoring – Breakout rooms**
- 11:30 Lunch break with poster session**
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Motivational speech

Moderator: Bianca Davidson, Cape Town, South Africa

- 13:00 Sex, gender and intersectionality**
TBA

Session IV Patient-centered care

Moderator: Ruth Sapir-Pichhadze, Montreal, Canada

- 13:30 What matters to us – Overcoming tabus**
Louise Lermينياux, Los Angeles, USA
- 13:50 Health-related quality of life after transplantation**
Yvette Meuleman, Leiden, Netherlands
- 14:10 Fertility, pregnancy and decision making**
Shilpanjali Jesudason, Adelaide, Australia
- 14:30 Discussion**
Moderator, presenters & audience
- 15:00 Coffee break**

Session V Definition of future research areas

Moderator: Roslyn Mannon, Omaha, USA

- 15:30 Report from Panel B**
TBA
- 15:50 Panel discussion**
Representatives from all groups

Conclusions

- 16:40 Concluding remarks / Farewell**
Bethany Foster, Louise Lermينياux,
Anette Melk, Germaine Wong
- 17:30 Individual group discussions – Breakout rooms**