



## Officer Nominees

### • President - Elect

(one vote in this category)



#### **Nancy L. Ascher • United States**

Nancy Ascher has devoted her career to the field of transplantation. After training with John Najarian, she started the liver transplant program at the University of Minnesota in 1981, and in 1988, established liver transplantation at the University of California San Francisco where she became Chief of the Transplant Program and then Chair of the Department of Surgery. She remains clinically active in liver and kidney transplantation.

Dr. Ascher has served: • Health and Human Services Task Force which drafted US National Organ Transplant Act. • Advisory Committee to the Surgeon General's Workshop on Organ Donation. • Chair of the HHS Advisory Committee on Organ Transplantation (2000-2005) • ASTS President (2000) • ILTS Councilor (2005-2009). • TTS North American Councilor since 2010. • TTS Publication Committee restructuring the Transplantation Journal • Co-Chair of TTS Women in Transplantation • recipient of the ASTS Mentorship Award in 2013. Dr. Ascher donated a kidney to her sister in 2010.



#### **John Andrew Bradley • United Kingdom**

Professor J Andrew Bradley MA, PhD, FRCS, FMedSci. • Professor of Surgery (1997-present) and Head of Surgery (1998-present), University of Cambridge, UK and Director of Transplantation, Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge (2001-2011). • Renal transplant surgeon directing research in transplant immunology and clinical transplantation (>180 publications). •

The Transplantation Society: Past Treasurer (1992-6) and Secretary (2002-6). • Past President of British Transplantation Society (1999-2002), Honorary President of British Society of Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (2004-8) and President of Society of Academic and Research Surgeons (2011-13). • Editor of *Transplantation* (2002-present), Associate/Consulting Editor of *American Journal of Transplantation* (2001-present) and Trustee of Roche Organ Transplantation Research Foundation (2004-present).



#### **Mehmet Haberal • Turkey**

Mehmet Haberal, MD, FACS (Hon), FICS (Hon), FASA (Hon) is a pioneer in the fields of transplantation and burn treatment in Turkey and the world. He performed some of the first living-related and deceased donor liver and kidney transplantations in Turkey, the region and the world. In addition to several burn societies, Prof. Haberal is the Founder and President of the

Turkish Transplantation Society (TOND), and the Founder, Founder President, and President-Elect of the Middle East Society for Organ Transplantation (MESOT). In 2013 he founded the International Haberal Transplantation and Education Foundation (IHTEF). He was TTS Councilor for the Middle East and North Africa in 2006-2010. Prof. Haberal is Founder and Founder President of Baskent University.



#### **Ron Shapiro • United States**

Ron Shapiro, MD is Professor of Surgery, Robert J. Corry Chair in Transplantation Surgery, and Associate Clinical Director of the Thomas E. Starzl Transplantation Institute at the University of Pittsburgh. He has served as a Councilor and Treasurer of TTS and is currently the Vice President of TTS. He is the current President (until March, 2015) of the International

Pediatric Transplantation Association. He is on the Editorial Board of *Transplantation*, the *American Journal of Transplantation*, and *Pediatric Transplantation*, and is Editor in Chief of *Clinical Transplantation*. He has been active in the field of kidney and pancreas transplantation in adults and kidney transplantation in children for over 25 years.

### • Vice-President

(one vote in this category)



#### **Marcelo Cantarovich • Canada**

Marcelo Cantarovich, MD (University of Buenos Aires, Argentina). He completed a fellowship in nephrology/transplantation at Université Paris-Sud, Paris, France (1984-1988). He is Professor of Medicine; Medical Director of Kidney and Pancreas Transplantation; and Associate Director, Multi-Organ Transplant Program (McGill University Health Center, Montréal, Québec, Canada). Research interest: Immunopharmacology in renal and nonrenal

transplantation. Publications: >120. He is a member of the Editorial Board of *Transplantation* and *Journal for Heart and Lung-Transplantation*; past-President of the Canadian Society of Transplantation (2010-2011); TTS Councilor (2008-2012); past-Chair of TTS Education Committee; co-Chair of TTS Education on Organ Donation and Transplantation for Schools working group, and senior Treasurer of TTS (2012-2014).



#### **Vasant Sumethkul • Thailand**

Professor Vasant Sumethkul is currently the "Chief of Organ Transplant Centre", Ramathibodi Hospital of Mahidol University. He is actively involved in the "developing donation from deceased donor" (4D), an action originated from TTS and WHO. The Comprehensive HealthCare Collaboration (CCC) model in Thailand leads to 92% increased in deceased donor and 64% increased in living kidney transplantation in three years. Professor

Sumethkul has served as a Councilor of The Transplantation Society from 2010-2014. He is now appointed as the Co-Chair of the 26th International Congress of The Transplantation Society to be held in Bangkok in the year 2016.

### • Treasurer

(unopposed - elected)



#### **Elmi Muller • South Africa**

Dr. Elmi Muller is the head of the Transplant Unit at Groote Schuur Hospital in Cape Town (South Africa). She has been the treasurer (2008-2010) and president (2011 - current) of the South African Transplantation Society, a director on the board of the Organ Donor Foundation of South Africa (2008 - current), as well as councilor for the region Africa for the Transplantation

Society (2010 - 2014). She has done outreach work in Africa through the ISN Educational Ambassador's programme and had been involved in workshops with the World Health Organization since 2006. In 2008 she initiated a transplant programme for HIV positive patients utilizing HIV positive donors at Groote Schuur Hospital. She is currently undertaking some work in Africa to initiate new transplant programmes in some of these countries.

## Councilor Nominees

### • Councilor-at-Large - Asia

(one vote in this category)



#### Sanjay Kumar Agarwal • India

Professor & Head of Nephrology at AIIMS, New Delhi, India, a centre doing transplant since 1972 and currently 140 years and has > 2100 transplants on file. Current and held positions: Council member International Society Nephrology, Key Opinion Leader of TTS, Fellow of American Society Nephrology, Associate Editor journal of Indian Society Organ Transplant., only person from India contributed to CTS registry data, Member editorial board "World J Transplant", Advisor Govt. Of India for National Organ Transplant Program, Member of committee making rules under Indian Transplant Act and monitoring transplant program in India. Country Leader of India for TTS, Organised 6th World Organ Donation Day in Delhi in 2009. Served and serving Indian Society Organ Transplant.



#### Jongwon Ha • Republic of Korea

Dr. Ha received MD at Seoul National University College of Medicine and PhD at Graduate School of Seoul National University College of Medicine. Currently, Dr. Ha is a professor of Surgery, Seoul National University College of Medicine. Major activities are kidney and pancreas transplantation and related researches, serving as a Chief of Division of Transplantation and Vascular Surgery at Seoul National University Hospital. Dr. Ha is the president of Korea Organ Donation Agency (KODA) which is the national OPO of Korea, a member of IXA, and a councilor of ISODP.



#### Vivek Kute • India

Vivek Kute is in the Faculty of Nephrology and Transplantation at Institute of Kidney Diseases and Research Center- Dr. HL Trivedi Institute of Transplantation Sciences, Ahmedabad, India; the center performing the highest number of kidney transplants (400 in year 2013) in India. He was honored with Young Investigator Award in 24th International Congress of Transplantation Society, Berlin and Bansal Oration in 43rd Annual Conference of Indian Society of Nephrology (ISN), Ahmedabad. He has presented research papers for Young Investigator Award in 41st Annual Congress of ISN, Trivandrum, India; published 80 papers in peer reviewed journals and made oral presentations in various conferences (TTS, AST, WCN, CTS, ISN, ISHD and ISOT). He was awarded Gujarat University Gold Medal for Nephrology and Fellowship of American Society of Nephrology for his academic excellence. Under Prof. Trivedi's mentorship, his work is mainly focused on expanding donor pool and kidney-paired donation transplantation.



#### Ravi Rajendraprasad Mohanka • India

Dr. Ravi Mohanka is a medical graduate from Nagpur, India and an American Society of Transplant Surgeon (ASTS) accredited transplant surgeon from Thomas Starzl Institute, Pittsburgh. He is a senior consultant hepato-biliary and multi-organ transplant surgeon at Medanta Institute of Liver Diseases and Transplantation, Gurgaon, India, one of the busiest living donor liver transplant centers in the world. He is in-charge of the deceased donor and intestinal transplant programmes, is keen to develop minimally invasive liver surgery, islet cell and hepatocyte transplantation and strives to make transplantation cheaper in India. He promises to bring energy and dynamism to TTS.

### • Councilor-at-Large - Europe

(one vote in this category)



#### Wolf Otto Bechstein • Germany

Wolf O.Bechstein, MD is Professor of Surgery at Goethe-University Hospital and Clinics in Frankfurt, Germany. He graduated from Hannover Medical School and trained as an academic transplant surgeon in Hannover, Madison, WI, and Berlin, Germany. He has published > 400 articles in peer-reviewed journals. As president of the German Transplantation Society he co-chaired the TTS Congress in Berlin, Germany, in 2012. He has previously served on the Council of ESOT, the board of Eurotransplant as well as founding chairman of the Division of Transplant Surgery of the UEMS.



#### Stephen Strom • Sweden

Dr. Stephen Strom was the first to transplant hepatocytes from cadaver donors to treat patients with liver disease. He just finished a 3-year term as president of the Cell Transplant Society. There is little cell transplant expertise on the TTS Council. There is a great need for the Council to become aware, promote and help regulate safe and effective cell therapy and regenerative medicine. Fraud and abuse are more common in cell, than organ transplants. When elected, I will work for the safe and ethical application of cellular therapies and to help identify and combat cell transplant tourism.



#### Beatriz Domínguez-Gil • Spain

Beatriz Domínguez-Gil is a medical doctor, PhD in internal medicine, and specialized in Nephrology. After several years working as a nephrologist in the clinical setting and as a clinical researcher, she joined the medical team of the Spanish National Transplant Organization (Organización Nacional de Trasplantes) in November 2006. Mainly involved in international cooperation through different international organizations (Council of Europe, European Union and World Health Organization), she has been engaged in international initiatives targeted to enhance organizational models, and quality and safety of organ donation, procurement and allocation and to the fight against organ trafficking. Past chair of the European Donation and Transplant Coordination Organization (EDTCO), councilor of the Custodian Group of the Declaration of Istanbul on Organ trafficking and Transplant Tourism and board member of the Spanish Transplantation Society.

## Councilor Nominees

### • Councilor-at-Large - Latin America

(one vote in this category)



#### Harry Dorn • Ecuador

Harry Dorn a Transplant Surgeon and a General Surgeon trained in the US. He did his GS training at the New York Medical College and a 2 year ASTS approved Abdominal Transplant Fellowship at the University of Virginia. Currently he is a Director of a Transplant Unit in Quito-Ecuador and performed Liver, Kidney and Pancreas Transplant. He would like to represent

Latin America as a Counselor because LA is growing enormously and the experience for both sides will be very valuable.



#### Alejandro Nino Murcia • Colombia

General Physician – Universidad del Rosario – Bogota - 1.983 • General Surgeon – Universidad Militar Nueva Granada- Bogota – 1992 • Honorary Transplant Surgeon – University of Minnesota – 1.993 • Managed Care Certify - Universidad del Rosario – Bogota- 2002 • Public Health Master– Universidad del Rosario- Bogota – 2004 • Fellow of the American College of Surgeons since 2002 • Executive Director Colombian Transplant Association ACTO- since 2006 • Member of the Board of the Sociedad de Trasplantes de America Latina y del Caribe STALYC since 2006 • President Elect Sociedad de Trasplantes de America Latina y del Caribe STALYC 2011 – 2012 • President Sociedad de Trasplantes de America Latina y del Caribe STALYC 2013 – 2014.

### • Councilor-at-Large - Middle East / Africa

(one vote in this category)



#### Riadh Fadhil • Qatar

Prof. of Urology & Transplant Surgery, MBChB(Hon.), FRCS(Glasgow), FEBS(honorary), DLS(Strasbourg), Director of Qatar Organ Donation Center, affiliated with Weill-Cornell COM-Q. Previously: Dean of Alnahrain College of Medicine-Baghdad; founder of the Iraqi Association of Nephrologists and Urologists and the University Hospital Transplant Center-Baghdad; Editor-in-

chief of *Iraqi Journal of Medical Sciences*. He has a leading role in developing organ transplantation and donation in Qatar and Iraq, strongly supports the Declaration of Istanbul which inspired the Doha Donation Accord, and believes that self-sufficiency is achievable through equitable access to donation and transplantation and international professional and governmental collaboration.



#### Faissal Shaheen • Saudi Arabia

Faissal A.M. Shaheen, Saudi National, Consultant Nephrologist, Director General, Saudi Center for Organ Transplantation, Riyadh, from 1993 until present. Established the Jeddah Kidney Center in 1990. Executive Editor, Saudi Journal of Kidney Diseases and Transplantation; Editor, Nephrology Dialysis and Transplantation; Associate Editor, Journal of Experimental and Clinical

Transplantation; Past President of MESOT; Councilor Member of TTS, WHO-DICG, MESOT and ISODP; Saudi Representative in GCC Organ Transplant Committee; Chairman in Renal Transplant Section, ASNRT; Research Project reviewer, KACST and office bearer and participant of many local and international conferences. Authored or co-authored 170 publications and contributed to chapters in 10 books.



#### Marwan Masri • Lebanon

President Mediterranean Transplant Net Work (MTN) • Immediate Past President of the Middle East Society for Organ Transplantation (MESOT) • Past President of the Asian Society of Transplantation (AST) • Member of the custodian group of the Istanbul declaration. (DICG) • Associate editor Experimental and clinical transplantation. • Editorial board member of

Transplant Proceedings • Guest Editor of the Transplant Proceedings 2002,2010, 2012, 2013 • Fellowship, Department of Oncology University of Calgary and Tom Backer Cancer Center (Foot Hills Hospital) Calgary, Alberta, Canada (1984).



#### Ifeoma Ulasi • Nigeria

I am a committed teacher/researcher; member of societies/associations such as ISN,ISH,EDTA. I am a member of the African-Committee in ISN Global Outreach Committee. My interest in transplantation-medicine goes beyond research; my brother had kidney-transplantation recently. Research Activities: My chronic-kidney-disease screening project was sponsored by ISN, and data

from that study is included in ISN-database. I have collaborations with: Staessen, Leuven-Belgium; Skorecki, Haifa-Israel; Adu, Accra-Ghana; Onuigbo, Rochester –USA. I am Professor of Medicine at the College of Medicine, University of Nigeria. I have Fellowship of the West African College of Physicians(1992),PGD Sociology(2010),MSc. Clinical Research(2013),and I am co-investigator in H3Africa-Consortium.

## Councilor Nominees

### • Councilor-at-Large - North America

(one vote in this category)



#### **Kareem Abu-Elmagd • United States**

Kareem Abu-Elmagd, MD, PhD, FACS, Director of Cleveland Clinic Transplant Center. Tenure career in the field of organ transplantation at Thomas E. Starzl Transplant Institute (1989-2012). Significant contribution to the field of liver transplantation, transplant immunology, and immunosuppressive therapy including the development of FK506 (Prograf). Major contribution to the clinical introduction and evolution of intestinal and multivisceral transplantation including Medicare (CMS) approval in 2000. Significant contribution to the introduction of the concept and clinical utilization of gut rehabilitation. Global contributions to the field of portal hypertensive surgery. Seminal contribution to medical literature with more than 400 scientific publications.



#### **Stephen T. Bartlett • United States**

Dr. Bartlett is the Chair of the Department of Surgery of the University of Maryland School of Medicine and Surgeon-in-Chief and Senior Vice President of the University of Maryland Medical System. He served as President of the International Pancreas and Islet Transplant Association from 2009-2011 during which the membership of the Association expanded significantly. Dr. Bartlett currently leads a funded laboratory exploring the role of vascularized bone in the acceptance of composite tissue transplants. The University of Maryland performed an extensive and highly successful face transplant based on the successful pre-clinical laboratory experience.



#### **Sukru Emre • United States**

Sukru Emre, MD, FACS has been a liver transplant surgeon for more than 20 years. He is a member of many societies including ACS, AHPBA, ASTS, ATS, AASLD, Declaration of Istanbul Custodian Group, IPTA, TTS, TTCCA and UNOS. He has served on multiple ASTS and UNOS committees and worked closely with TTS leadership to develop an organ allocation system in Turkey. He trained more than 70 fellows in transplantation around the globe. He published more than 300 scientific papers. He currently serves on the editorial board of many journals including *Pediatric Transplantation*, *Liver Transplantation*, *Transplantation Proceedings*, *Turkish Journal of Surgery*.



#### **Joren C. Madsen • United States**

Joren C. Madsen completed a general surgical internship, residency and cardiothoracic fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital and received a D.Phil. degree in immunology from Oxford University under Professor Kathryn J. Wood and Sir Professor Peter J. Morris. Currently, he is a Professor of Surgery at Harvard Medical School and the W. Gerald and Patricia R. Austen Distinguished Scholar in Cardiac Surgery at MGH. He is also the founding director of the MGH Transplant Center, co-director of the Transplantation Biology Research Center. His academic interests have focused on transplantation tolerance, chronic rejection and innate immunity.



#### **Minnie M. Sarwal • United States**

Professor, Department of Surgery, UCSF, San Francisco, USA • Director, BIOMARC Theranostics Institute, Sutter Health, San Francisco, USA • Professor, Department of Pediatrics, CPMC, San Francisco, USA. Minnie Sarwal obtained her clinical residency and fellowship training in Guy's Hospital, London, UK and scientific training (PhD. in Molecular Genetics) at Cambridge University with Nobel Laureate Sydney Brenner. As Professor and Transplant Director at Stanford University, Minnie innovated on drug minimization to improve outcomes and compliance. She is a clinician-scientist ([www.sarwallab.org](http://www.sarwallab.org)), mentor and educator. Minnie has applied 'omic' methods to deconvolute transplant injury, and is committed to improving health care, diagnostics and treatments for organ transplant recipients. Her leadership involves the genesis of the TTS Transplantomics Conference, IPTA Councillor and Outreach Committee Chair, Chair of many ATC/ASTS/FOCIS/NIH Committees, the TTS-Roche Award and the Cunio-Richardson Award for Scientific Excellence. Minnie is dedicated to the service of the Transplantation Society.

### • Councilor-at-Large - Oceania

(one vote in this category)



#### **Josette M. Eris • Australia**

Associate Professor Josette Eris MBBS (Honsl), FRACP, PhD. Professor Eris is a transplant physician and nephrologist at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital and Sydney University and is the Director of Statewide Renal Services. She is an active clinician, researcher and educator. Her research interests include immunosuppression, tolerance and equity of transplantation access. Prof Eris has held a variety of professional governance roles in transplantation including the Presidency of the Transplantation Society of Australia and New Zealand (TSANZ). She is Chair of the Advisory Group to the Australian Transplantation Authority. She is a founding member of the Steering Committee of the Women in Transplantation within TTS.



#### **Adrian Donald Hibberd • Australia**

Professor of Surgery, University of Newcastle; Emeritus Consultant in Transplantation Hunter New England Local Health District, Newcastle, Australia; Foundation Director of Newcastle Transplant Unit, Transplant/Vascular Surgeon HNELHD; Co-Founder of Hunter Transplant Research Foundation ([www.htrf.net.au](http://www.htrf.net.au)); Councillor Transplantation Society of Australia and New Zealand; Chairman NSW Transplant Advisory Committee and Transplant Section RACS; member National Taskforce on Organ and Tissue Donation; Councillor ANZ Chapter ACS; research in organ and tissue donation, epidemiology of cancer in transplantation, immunosuppression by oligosaccharide processing inhibition or class 1 MHC; clinical tolerance measurement; development and application point of care software programme in transplantation and renal medicine.