

## ***TTT Scientific Retreat Friday, May 5, 2017***

8:00 – 8:30 am      ***Registration – University Club Entrance Foyer  
Breakfast and Presentations – Ballroom A***

8:30 – 8:35 am      ***Introduction***  
**Dario Vignali, PhD**  
Frank Dixon Chair in Cancer Immunology;  
Professor and Vice Chair, Dept. of Immunology;  
Director, Cancer Immunology Training Program;  
Co-Leader of the Cancer Immunology Program;  
Co-Director of the Tumor Microenvironment Center,  
UPCI

### **Autoimmunity: Tolerance Breakdown and How to Fix It**

8:35 – 9:10 am      **Mark Shlomchik, MD, PhD**  
UPMC Endowed Professor of Immunology and Chair, Dept. of  
Immunology  
*“How Autoimmunity Gets Started”*

9:15 – 9:40 am      **Mandy McGeachy, PhD**  
Assistant Professor, Div. of Rheumatology & Clinical Immunology,  
Dept. of Medicine  
*“Too Much of a Good Thing: Th17 Regulation in Autoimmunity”*

9:45 – 10:00 am      **TBD (Student – selected from abstracts)**  
Dept. of XXX, Laboratory of XXX  
*“TBD”*

10:05 – 11:20 am      ***Poster Session (odd numbered abstracts) – Ballroom B  
Coffee Break – Ballroom B Hallway***

### **Tumors: Too Much Tolerance and How to Break It**

11:20 – 11:55 am      **Olja Finn, PhD**  
Distinguished Professor, Depts. of Immunology and Surgery  
*“Human Tumor Antigens Then and Now”*

12:00 – 12:25 pm      **Greg Delgoffe, PhD**  
Assistant Professor, Dept. of Immunology  
*“Tumor Microenvironment Metabolism: A New Checkpoint to Effective  
Antitumor Immunity”*

- 12:30 – 12:45 pm **TBD (Student – selected from abstracts)**  
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“TBD”
- 12:50 – 2:30 pm **Lunch – Ballroom B, Conference Rooms A&B, Gold Room  
(rooftop deck – weather permitting)  
Poster Session (even numbered abstracts) – Ballroom B**

## **Transplantation: We Need Tolerance and How to Enforce It**

- 2:35 – 3:10 pm **David Rothstein, MD**  
Pittsburgh Steelers Chair in Transplantation,  
Professor, Depts. of Surgery, Medicine and Immunology  
*“A Tale of Two TIMs: Modulation of the Immune Response by Regulatory  
and Inflammatory B Cells”*
- 3:15 – 3:40 pm **Warren Shlomchik, MD**  
Visiting Professor, Depts. of Medicine, Hematology-Oncology and  
Immunology  
*“Mechanisms of Graft-vs-Host Disease and Graft-vs-Leukemia”*
- 3:45 – 4:00 pm **TBD (Student – selected from abstracts)**  
Dept. of XXX, Laboratory of XXX  
“TBD”
- 4:05 – 5:20 pm **Keynote Speaker**  
Marcel van den Brink, MD, PhD  
Head, Div. of Hematologic Oncology; Alan N. Houghton Chair  
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center  
*“Strategies to Enhance Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation”*
- 5:25 – 5:30 pm **Poster Awards Presentation**  
Andrew Brown, PhD  
Clinical Assistant Professor, Center for Craniofacial Regeneration, School  
of Dental Medicine;  
Program Manager, Commercial Translation, sciVelo
- Tullia Bruno, PhD  
Research Assistant Professor, Dept. of Immunology
- 5:35 – 5:40 pm **Closing Comments**  
Fadi Lakkis, MD  
Frank & Althena Sarris Chair in Transplantation Biology; Professor, Dept.  
of Surgery, Immunology and Medicine; Scientific Director, Thomas E.  
Starzl Transplantation Institute
- 5:45 – 7:30 pm **Reception – Ballroom B  
(rooftop deck – weather permitting)  
\*Posters will remain up throughout the reception.**

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