The 2nd Annual

*Future Directions in Paired Exchange*

The Premier Paired Exchange Symposium of The Year

Friday May 16th 2014

New York Academy of Medicine
New York City
Who Should Attend?
Transplant Surgeons, Nephrologists, Exchange Coordinators, Medical Directors, Surgical Directors, Lab Directors, Program Administrators.

Purpose
The symposium is a gathering of world leaders in paired exchange sharing their knowledge and discoveries, allowing for the dissemination of this knowledge and the facilitation of more exchange transplants.

Objectives
1. Describe the current state-of-the-art tools utilized by histocompatibility laboratories to increase transplant opportunities for patients.
2. Demonstrate knowledge about the current state of the various kidney paired donation models/programs that exist in North America.
3. Discuss economic and regulatory issues affecting kidney paired donation.
4. Identify best practices utilized at transplant programs where kidney paired donation has become an integral part of the living donor transplant program.

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Making Hardest To Match Transplants Possible With Advanced Matching  
NJ Sharing Network/St. Barnabas | Prakash Rao |
|             |                   | **Automatic Upload of High Res MFI Values – Helping High PRA Patients**  
University of Cincinnati | Paul Brailey |
|             |                   | **ABO Incompatible Strategies & Results**  
Johns Hopkins | Bonnie Lonze |
|             |                   | **Crossmatch Incompatible Strategies & Results**  
NYP/Weill Cornell/Rogosin | Darshana Dadhania |
| 11:20 – 11:45am |                   | Question & Answer Period/Break                                        |         |
| 11:45 – 12:25pm | Debate: National versus Local Paired Exchange  
Methodist Specialty Hospital San Antonio  
University of Maryland Medical Center | Adam Bingaman  
David Leeser |
| 12:30 – 1:30pm |                   | Lunch — Room 20                                                        |         |
| 1:45 – 4:15pm | Important Topics for KPD Success  
Moderator: Sandip Kapur | **Canadian KPD Experience**  
Canadian Paired Exchange Registry | Edward Cole |
|             |                   | **Utilization of Compatible Pairs in KPD**  
NYP/Columbia | Lloyd Ratner |
|             |                   | **KPD Economics**  
National Kidney Registry | Garet Hil |
|             |                   | Break — Presidents Gallery                                             |         |
| 4:15 – 4:30pm |                   | Minimizing Failed Swaps & Maximizing Functional Outcomes  
University of Wisconsin | Joshua Mezrich |
|             |                   | First Year Experience in NKR  
& High Profile Medical Board Issues  
Cleveland Clinic | Stuart Flechner |
|             |                   | Question & Answer Period & Wrap-Up                                     |         |
David Leeser, MD — Dr. David Leeser is the Chief of Kidney and Pancreas Transplantation at the University of Maryland Medical Center. He is internationally recognized for his expertise in Kidney and Pancreas Transplantation and is a leader in the national development of Paired Exchange. Dr. Leeser was a member of the surgical team that performed NKR’s first 5-way chain and is a member of the NKR’s Medical Board. Dr Leeser has published multiple articles and spoken at national meetings about the importance and impressive results of Paired Exchange.

Prior to his current position, Dr Leeser was an Associate Professor of Surgery at Weill Cornell Medical College and an Associate Attending Surgeon at NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital-Weill Cornell Medical Center. Prior to that, Dr. Leeser was Chief of Kidney and Pancreas Transplantation at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. He received his M.D. from Temple University School of Medicine and completed his internship at Walter Reed.

Dr. Leeser was a Lieutenant Colonel in the US Army Medical Corps, and has received many honors and awards during his career. Dr. Leeser was deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom on two separate occasions and decorated with the Bronze Star Medal and twice with the Army Commendation Medal. Other decorations include the Army Achievement Award, Iraqi Campaign Ribbon, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Ribbon, National Defense Service Ribbon and the Army Service Ribbon.

Joshua Mezrich, MD — Dr. Josh Mezrich is an Assistant Professor at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He received his bachelor’s degree at Princeton University and his medical degree from Cornell University Medical College in New York. He completed his internship and surgical residency at University of Chicago Hospitals and his transplant fellowship at the University of Wisconsin. During his training he spent 3 years in a research fellowship at the Transplantation Biology Research Center at the Massachusetts General Hospital under Drs. Joren Madsen and David Sachs.

He then joined the University of Wisconsin surgery faculty in 2007 where he is part of the most successful KPD program in the United States. This center has completed over 50 KPD transplants since joining the NKR program three years ago and has the lowest swap failure rate of all large NKR member centers, demonstrating that national KPD failure rates can be significantly improved. His surgical interests include kidney transplantation, liver transplantation, and laparoscopic donor nephrectomy, including single port donor nephrectomy. He also runs an active basic science laboratory examining the role of pollution in the acquired immune system and transplant outcomes.
Accreditation/Continuing Education

Physicians:

Weill Cornell Medical College is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Weill Cornell Medical College designates this live activity for a maximum of 5.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Nurses:

Category I Continuing Education Points for Transplant Certification (CEPTCs) will be applied for through the American Board for Transplant Certification (ABTC) (up to 5.5 CEPTCs).

Location
The New York Academy of Medicine
1216 Fifth Avenue at 103rd Street
New York, NY, 10029

Room
The symposium will be held in the Hosack Hall located on the 1st Floor.

Speakers

(in order of appearance)

Sandip Kapur, MD – Dr. Kapur is the Chief of Transplantation and Director of the Kidney and Pancreas Transplant Programs at New York-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center. Dr. Kapur earned his Medical Degree from Weill Cornell Medical College in 1990. He completed his internship and residency at New York-Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical Center, and was a research fellow in Transplant Immunology at Weill Cornell Medical College and The Rogosin Institute. Dr. Kapur completed his fellowship in Multi-Organ Transplantation at the University of Pittsburgh Thomas Starzl Transplantation Institute. He joined the faculty of Weill Cornell Medical College in 1998.

Dr. Kapur is the Surgical Director and Chair of the NKR Surgical Committee and a member of the NKR Medical Board. He is an internationally recognized pioneer in advancing innovative strategies that allow more recipients to receive successful transplants, including high-risk kidney transplantation and expanding opportunities for living donor kidney transplantation. Dr. Kapur’s areas of research include translating molecular monitoring techniques from bench to bedside and clinical trials on immunosuppression, ischemia-reperfusion injury, and immunosuppression minimization strategies. In addition, Dr. Kapur’s transplant program was the founding center of the NKR and has successfully completed over 100 paired exchange transplants organized by the NKR over the past 6 years.

Alvin Roth, PhD – Dr. Roth is the Craig and Susan McCaw Professor of Economics at Stanford University and the winner of the 2012 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences. He graduated from Columbia University in 1971 with a degree in Operations research. He then moved to Stanford University, receiving both his Masters and PhD in Operations Research. Dr. Roth has held teaching positions at the University of Illinois, the University of Pittsburgh, Harvard University and Stanford University. Dr. Roth has made significant contributions to the fields of game theory, market design and experimental economics and is known for applying economic theory to solutions for "real-world" problems.

As a follow-on to his market design work developing the National Medical Resident Matching Program and the matching systems for the New York City and Boston Public School systems, Dr. Roth helped establish paired exchange in the United States through his pioneering work at the New England Program for Kidney Exchange, one of the first KPD programs in the world. More recently, Dr. Roth and his research partner, Dr. Ashlagi from MIT, collaborated with the NKR to develop and validate the Simultaneous Mutually Exclusive Loops and Chains (SMELAC) algorithm that increased NKR matches 29% - 167% over the previous algorithm employed by the NKR. Dr. Roth and Dr. Ashlagi were also the 2012 winners of NKR’s Terasaki Medical Innovation Award.
**Getting There, Airports — By Distance**

LaGuardia (LGA) — 7.5 miles
John F. Kennedy (JFK) — 17.5 miles
Newark Liberty (EWR) — 21.7 miles

**Parking**

Merit Parking
107th Street (5th and Madison Avenues)

Glenwood
334 East 103rd Street
212-369-0764

Standard parking
86 East 99th Street (Park and Madison)

East 105th St. Parking
156 E. 105 Street

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**J Michael Cecka, PhD** — Dr. Cecka is a transplant immunologist and Professor at UCLA. He is also the Director of Clinical Research at the UCLA Immunogenetics Center. Dr. Cecka received his PhD in Microbiology at UCLA and did postdoctoral studies on the chemistry, genetics and function of major histocompatibility complex antigens at the California Institute of Technology, University College in London and the University of Basel in Switzerland. He returned to UCLA in 1982 to join the UCLA Tissue Typing Laboratory where he became the Director in 2008.

Dr. Cecka participated in the development of the OPTN and the UNOS National Registry of Transplant Recipients from 1988-2000. He served as Director of the UNOS Kidney Transplant Registry from 1992-2000 and later chaired the UNOS Histocompatibility Committee. He is an Editor of Clinical Transplants and an Associate Editor of the American Journal of Transplantation. Dr. Cecka is the Histocompatibility Director and Chair of the NKR Histocompatibility Committee, and a member of the NKR Medical Board. He has been the driving force behind the development of NKR’s antigen and antibody coding systems which have achieved unprecedented levels of virtual cross match accuracy.

**Prakash Rao, PhD** — Dr. Prakash Rao is the VP, Diagnostic & Research Operations, Director of the Transplant Laboratory for the NJ Sharing Network. He holds a PhD in Biochemistry from Bombay University and an MBA from Tulane University. Following his PhD and post-doctoral training at the University of Ulm in West Germany, Dr. Rao joined the transplant program at the University of Pittsburgh as a Sandoz research fellow and rose to the position of Assistant Professor and Director of Transplantation Research. Later he served as Professor of Surgery, Director of Transplant Evaluation and Chief of the Section of Immune Evaluation at the University of South Alabama Medical Center. Dr. Rao also served as the Associate Professor of Medicine & Associate Director of the Transplant Laboratory at LSU Health Sciences Center, New Orleans.

More recently Dr. Rao has helped lead a process involving advanced matching strategies that has helped many highly sensitized patients achieve successful transplantation through KPD. He is also an accreditation inspector for the American Society for Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (ASHI), and has served on several committees for ASHI. Dr. Rao is a fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives and is nationally certified as a High Complexity Clinical Laboratory Director.
**Paul Brailey** – Is Assistant Director of the Transplantation Immunology Division Laboratory at Hoxworth Blood Center, University of Cincinnati Medical Center (UC). Paul is an American Board of Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (ABHI) Certified Histocompatibility Technologist and studied at the University of Cincinnati where he majored in Biology and Engineering Science. Paul is responsible for all aspects of the day-to-day operation of the laboratory. These responsibilities include laboratory and personnel management, QA overview, accreditation management, results reporting, research, and medical education. Paul is a key liaison with transplant clinicians and doctors who serve patients at UC and The Christ Hospital in Cincinnati. He provides laboratory assessment of patient’s transplant and immunological status, clinical testing related to solid organ and bone marrow transplantation, disease association, and apheresis support. Activities include HLA ABC and DR typing, performance of specific cell population crossmatches, serum screening for antibody detection, cell culturing, and DNA/PCR techniques.

**Bonnie Lonze, MD, PhD** – Dr. Lonze is a transplant surgeon at Johns Hopkins. She received her medical degree in 2005 from the Johns Hopkins University where she also completed her residency. Her research and publications on the treatment of hard-to-match kidney transplant patients has been a game changer for health care decision makers. Widespread use of the presurgery protocol that she helped develop with her colleagues at Hopkins, which removes problematic antibodies (overcoming ABO and antibody incompatibilities) from a patient’s blood prior to transplant, combined with paired exchange, has been estimated to potentially facilitate and additional 3,000 kidney transplants from living donors annually.

**Darshana Dadhania, MD, MS** – Dr. Dadhania is a Transplant Nephrologist and Associate Professor of Medicine at New York-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center and Assistant Director of the Rogosin Institute Immunogenetics and Transplantation Laboratory. She earned her medical degree from University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, completed her MS at the Weill Cornell Graduate School of Medical Sciences and completed her residency and fellowship at Weill Cornell Medical Center.

Dr. Dadhania’s research has focused on diagnosis and management of BK virus infection, ABO and crossmatch incompatible transplantation, and management of immunologically high-risk kidney transplant recipients. More recently Dr. Dadhania has focused on the highly sensitized patients that have been difficult to match in the paired exchange program at Cornell. This focus has resulted in one of the highest match/transplant success rate in the NKR system, allowing Cornell to transplant over 97% of their paired exchange patients. With over 100 KPD transplants completed from 2008 to the end of 2013, Cornell had only three pairs in the NKR system with wait times greater than 12 months.
**Adam Bingaman, MD, PhD** – Dr. Bingaman is the Director of the largest living donor kidney transplant program in the United States at Methodist Specialty Hospital in San Antonio, Texas. He graduated from Cornell University with a BA in Biochemistry, received his medical degree from the Boston University School of Medicine and then went on to complete his residency at Emory University where he also earned a PhD in immunology. Dr. Bingaman went on to complete his fellowship at the University of Maryland. Prior to joining the Texas Transplant Institute, Dr. Bingaman was Assistant Professor of Surgery at Medical College of Georgia, and University of Texas Health Sciences Center, San Antonio.

Dr. Bingaman heads up the highest volume single center kidney paired exchange program in the world, completing over 200 KPD transplants in the past five years. His team has pioneered key innovations in paired exchange including streamlined intake processing that expose every donor/recipient pair to the benefits of paired exchange, cryopreservation of donor blood that allows for rapid cross matching and the integration of desensitization with paired exchange that has resulted in transplants for a large percentage of highly sensitized patients under Dr. Bingaman’s care.

**Edward Cole, MD** – Dr. Cole is the Physician-in-Chief, Professor of Medicine and the Charles Hollenberg Chair of Medicine of University Health Network in Canada. He received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science from the University of Toronto and his MD from Memorial University of Newfoundland in 1975. Following four years of postgraduate training in internal medicine and nephrology at the University of Toronto, he received a Medical Research Council of Canada Fellowship for work in the laboratory of Dr. Curtis Wilson at the Research Institute of the Scripps Clinic that focused on glomerular immunopathology.

In 2001 he was appointed as Director, Division of Nephrology, University Health Network & Mount Sinai Hospital and in 2007 became the Amgen Professor of Nephrology. From 1996-2006; he was the Director of the Division of Nephrology, University of Toronto. He is founder and Past Chair of The Canadian Transplantation Society Kidney Working Group and Chair of the Steering Committee for National Kidney Registries. He was awarded the Canadian Society of Transplantation Lifetime Achievement Award in 2012. His major research interests are in immunosuppressive drugs and clinical trials in renal transplantation.
**Lloyd Ratner, MD, MPH** – Dr. Lloyd Ratner is the Director of the Renal and Pancreatic Transplantation Program at the Columbia University Medical Center and is a Professor of Surgery at the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons. Dr. Ratner earned his medical degree in 1983 from Hahnemann University School of Medicine. He completed his residency at Long Island Jewish Medical Center and completed his fellowship at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis. Dr. Ratner has authored or co-authored over 140 peer-reviewed publications.

Throughout Dr. Ratner’s academic career, he has introduced innovative ideas that have profoundly impacted the field of transplantation. In 1993 he performed the world’s first dual renal transplant using suboptimal adult kidneys. In 1995, in collaboration with Dr. Kavoussi, he performed the first laparoscopic donor nephrectomy. Dr. Ratner has also made significant contributions in overcoming immunologic incompatibilities that formerly prohibited transplantation. In 1998, he devised the plasmapheresis/low dose IVig protocol for alloantibody desensitization and in 2001 he orchestrated the second paired-kidney exchange in the United States. More recently Dr. Ratner has been a leading proponent of including compatible donor/recipient pairs in paired kidney exchanges.

**Garet Hil** – Mr. Hil is the Founder & Chief Executive Officer of the National Kidney Registry and the President of Hil & Company LLC, a firm specializing in software development and data processing services. He earned his BA from the University of Montana and his MBA from the University of Pennsylvania’s Wharton School.

Prior to starting the National Kidney Registry, Mr. Hil held leadership positions, including Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and General Manager in a variety of industries including Software Development, Data Processing, Outsourcing Services, Logistics, Digital Printing, Steel Distribution and Textile Manufacturing. His responsibilities have included the P&L management, and often the startup or turnaround, of operations in New York, Boston, Chicago, Kansas City, California, England, France and Germany; primarily serving the financial services, investment banking and pharmaceutical industries.
Dixon Kaufman, MD, PhD – Dr. Dixon Kaufman is the Chief of Transplant and the Ray Owen Professor of Surgery at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He received his bachelor’s, medical and doctoral degrees from the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis where he also completed his internship and surgical residency. He joined the Northwestern surgery faculty in 1992 and in 2004 was promoted to full professor. In 2011, Dr. Kaufman was appointed the Chief of Transplant at the University of Wisconsin.

Dr. Kaufman is a member of the NKR Medical Board and leads one of the most successful KPD programs in the United States. Completing over 50 KPD transplants since joining the NKR program three years ago, his center has the lowest swap failure rate of all large NKR member centers, demonstrating that national KPD failure rates can be significantly improved. Dr. Kaufman has been active with the American Society of Transplant Surgeons (ASTS) and has served as Chair of the Education Committee, the Executive Program Committee Chair for the American Transplant Congress, and on the Council of the ASTS. He also serves on the editorial boards of four medical journals in transplantation.

Stuart Flechner, MD – Dr. Flechner is the Surgical Director of Renal Transplantation at the Cleveland Clinic, and Professor of Surgery at Case Western Reserve University. He received his BA and MD from UCLA and went on to complete his residency at UCSF and his fellowship in transplantation and renal vascular surgery at the Cleveland Clinic. Dr. Flechner has held academic appointments at the University of Texas Medical School and Stanford University. He has recently completed a sabbatical at Scripps Research Institute in California in the Department of Molecular and Experimental Medicine. Dr. Flechner has authored more than 225 scientific articles, chapters and reviews. He is a member of the Editorial Board of Transplantation and is an Associate Editor of the Journal of Clinical Transplantation. Dr. Flechner is also an ad hoc reviewer for 18 scientific journals in the fields of transplantation, surgery and urology.

Dr. Flechner is the Research Director and Chair of the NKR Research Committee, and a member of the NKR Medical Board. Under his leadership, the Cleveland Clinic has gone from an NKR startup center in 2012 to completing over a dozen KPD transplants in 2013.
**KPD Transplant Coordinator’s Training Forum**

Thursday Afternoon May 15th 2014

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**Room**
The Coordinator’s Training Forum will be held in the Presidents Gallery located on the 1st Floor.

**This KPD Transplant Coordinator’s Training Forum is complimentary to all NKR Coordinators.**
To register for these events go to:

www.kidneyregistry.org/RSVP

Symposium Registration is $495/attendee (early bird discount) $595 after 4/15/2014. Each NKR member center is provided with one complimentary registration for their lead paired exchange coordinator.

The Coordinator’s training forum and the Season of Miracles Awards events on 5/15/2013 are both complimentary to all.

After completing the online registration form at the link above, credit/debit card payments can be made by clicking the “Make a Financial Donation” button on the NKR homepage and selecting “Symposium Registration”.

Check payments can be mailed to:

National Kidney Registry
P.O. Box 460
Babylon, NY 11702-0460

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Speakers

Marie Morgievich, APN.C, CCTC – Chair, NKR Operations Committee, is the Director of the Living Donor Institute and a Transplant Nurse Practitioner at Barnabas Health in N.J. She oversees all clinical aspects of patient evaluation and management including all policy development & implementation and development of patient education materials. She has developed their paired exchange, compatible exchange, altruistic donation programs as well as their program for incompatible transplants. Her case study ‘Facilitating a Three Pair, Interstate Kidney Exchange’ won top case study at NATCO in 2008 and her case study 'Compatible Pairs increase Transplantation in Kidney Paired Donation’ won top case study at NATCO in 2013. Ms. Morgievich completed her masters of science in nursing at Columbia University School of Nursing and her bachelor of science in nursing at Seton Hall University. She also holds a business degree from Montclair State University.

Joe Sinacore – is NKR’s Director of Research & Education, there since its conception in late 2000, and had worked with the founder since 1993. He is intimately involved in many day to day business activities including outreach and education, planning, new center boarding, kidney swap management, logistics, advanced matching strategies, data compliance, research, systems testing, website management and social media. Joe holds an AAS in Business Administration from SUNY Rockland in Suffern New York. He is passionate about paired kidney exchange and continually motivated by the dire need to help facilitate transplants for the over 90,000 in need of a good kidney match.

Suzanne McGuire, RN, BSN, CCTC – graduated with a Bachelor of Science in nursing degree from USC. She has worked her entire nursing career at UCLA, first in the Surgical ICU, and as a kidney transplant coordinator since 2001. Suzanne was the waitlist coordinator for three years, transitioning to become the living donor coordinator in 2004, and supervisor of the living donor team since 2007. Suzanne coordinates blood-type incompatible, desensitization and living donor exchange transplants at UCLA.

Ellen Shukhman, RN-BC, BSN, CCTC – is the Lead Kidney Living Donor Program Coordinator at the Cedars Sinai Comprehensive Transplant Center. Ellen graduated with a Bachelor of Science in nursing degree from University of Phoenix. During her tenure, Ellen worked as an Onc./BMT/SCT Charge RN & Liver Transplant Program Coordinator. In 2003, she advanced to the Kidney Living Donor Program, became a Certified Clinical Transplant Coordinator, and in 2012, implemented the Kidney Paired Donation Program (KPD). Ellen is responsible for development/implementation of living donor policies, educational materials, coordination of standard, blood-type incompatible, highly sensitized and KPD transplants.
Accommodations
We have reserved a block of rooms at the world renowned Waldorf Astoria Hotel located at, 301 Park Avenue, New York, NY and have negotiated attractive room rates. To book one of these rooms you may go online to [www.waldorfnyc.com](http://www.waldorfnyc.com) or call 1-877-GROUPWA (476-8792) and mention group code “NKR”.

Attire (for all events)
- Coordinator Training: Business Casual
- Awards event: Business Formal
- Symposium: Business Casual

Marian Charlton, RN SRN, CCTC. – Chief Transplant Coordinator for Living Donor and Paired Exchange Program, New York Presbyterian-Weill Cornell Kidney & Pancreas Transplant Program. She has worked in the field of transplantation since 1988 at NYPH, initially as a staff nurse on the Kidney transplant unit, transitioning to the role of Kidney/Pancreas coordinator in 1998. She has worked as the living donor coordinator since 1999 and assumed the managerial and clinical oversight of both the Living Donor and Paired Donation programs in 2008.

Donna Collins, MSN, RN, CCTC – is a graduate of Lankenau Hospital School of Nursing, Eastern College and Widener University. She has spent the last 10 years in transplant initially as a procurement coordinator for the Gift of Life Donor Program then transitioning to a kidney and living donor coordinator position. She currently coordinates kidney living donor and paired donor exchanges at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania.

Karen Miller, RN, BSN, CCTC – earned her Bachelor of Science – Nursing degree from the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh. She started as a new graduate on the inpatient transplant service at UWHC. Karen moved on to become a transplant coordinator in 1999 and became a Certified Clinical Transplant Coordinator in 2004. She coordinates all pre and post kidney and kidney/pancreas desensitization and ABO incompatible transplants. She also has the role of Paired Kidney Exchange Coordinator.

Tammy Wright, RN, BSN, CCTC – is the Living Donor and Exchange Coordinator for Sharp Kidney and Pancreas Transplant in San Diego, CA. She has twenty years of experience in transplant initially as a procurement coordinator for 10 years and a transplant coordinator at Sharp for 10 years.