



ASHI MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



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How long have you been an ASHI member? 14 years

What made you decide to work in HLA? Transplant Immunology was very basic in Pakistan and I was trained in the Anthony Nolan Transplant Immunology Lab London in 1990. In 1991, I joined the NIH, Islamabad lab as the Head of Department of Allergy & Transplant Immunology and organized Transplant Immunology Departments according to guidelines of ASHI. My qualifications and experience made me eligible for the position of Director of Transplant Immunology Lab in the USA.

What do you find to be the most rewarding aspect of your work? The most rewarding aspects of my work are solid organ transplant immunology tests, cross matching, educational activities, and providing advice and recommendations to medical professionals involved in human organ transplants.

Fun fact: I am about 75 years old and still very energetic in clinical, educational, and research activities in Allergy and Transplant Immunology. I have 2 clinics in Pakistan, 2 in Dubai, and a DNA Tissue Typing Lab in Islamabad.