ASHI Announces Incoming Editor-in-Chief for Human Immunology

Mount Laurel, NJ 7/14/2023 – The American Society for Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (ASHI), an international society of professionals dedicated to advancing the science, education, and application of immunogenetics and transplant immunology, proudly announces James M. Mathew, PhD, FAST, of Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine as the incoming Editor-in-Chief of Human Immunology, the official journal of ASHI published by Elsevier Science.

Dr. Mathew has been an esteemed member of the Human Immunology Editorial Board since 2018, demonstrating his dedication to the field. His extensive publications in the fields of transplant immunology, clinical tolerance, and biomarkers for human transplants have showcased his expertise and contributions to the scientific community. Dr. Mathew was selected among other highly qualified applicants, each with impeccable credentials and a distinctive vision for the future of Human Immunology.

In his new role, Dr. Mathew is committed to advancing immunogenetics research and fostering the growth of ASHI as a leading society for basic and clinical research. His expertise and passion will drive the journal's mission to provide a platform for cutting-edge research, facilitate the exchange of knowledge, and contribute to optimal patient care. Dr. Mathew's vision for Human Immunology aligns with ASHI's goal of elevating the standards of histocompatibility and immunogenetics, ensuring the journal remains an indispensable medium for authors, readers, and the ASHI community.

Reflecting on the change in leadership, Dr. Mathew expresses his enthusiasm, stating, "I feel honored to be selected as the incoming Editor-in-Chief of Human Immunology. I have been a member of the journal's Editorial Board for several years, and I am excited to take on this role. I extend my heartfelt appreciation to Dr. Amy Hahn for her leadership over the last 7 years, during which she has improved the quality and experience of the journal. I aim to build upon her accomplishments and take the journal to new heights."

Dr. Robert Liwski, MD, PhD, ASHI President, expresses his excitement about Dr. Mathew’s selection, stating, "Dr. Mathew has been an active member of the ASHI community for many years. Prior to this role, he was an associate editor of Human Immunology and a past Editor-in-Chief of the ASHI Quarterly. Given all of his experience, I’m excited about the future of the journal with Dr. Mathew as Editor-in-Chief."

Dr. Liwski further emphasizes the qualities and expertise that Dr. Mathew brings to the leadership role, stating, "In his previous work on the editorial teams, Dr. Mathew was thorough, well-organized, accomplished, and reliable. He’s a highly-published HLA expert and researcher who is well-connected to the HLA community."

Dr. Amy B. Hahn, the outgoing Editor-in-Chief of Human Immunology, shares her perspective on the change in leadership, stating, "Dr. Mathew will do a great job as the incoming
Editor-in-Chief. He has been a valued member of the editorial board. I have confidence in his abilities and believe he will continue to advance the journal."

Dr. Mathew recognizes this as an opportunity to expand the scope of research included in the journal, saying, "What excites me the most is the chance to broaden the horizons of Human Immunology. In the ever-evolving scientific landscape, embracing change is crucial. We must adapt to stay relevant and avoid being left behind. I plan to enhance the journal's impact factor by encouraging high-quality research submissions and exploring new areas of study, encompassing all aspects of human immunology."

ASHI is proud to welcome Dr. Mathew as the incoming Editor-in-Chief of Human Immunology and is confident that his leadership and vision will further solidify the journal's standing as a premier publication in the field. ASHI remains committed to advancing histocompatibility, immunogenetics, and transplantation, promoting information exchange, and advocating the highest standards of laboratory testing for optimal patient care.

**About the American Society for Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics**
The American Society for Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (ASHI) is a not-for-profit association of clinical and research professionals, including immunologists, geneticists, molecular biologists, transplant physicians and surgeons, pathologists, and technologists. ASHI is dedicated to advancing the science and application of histocompatibility and immunogenetics, providing a forum for the exchange of information, and advocating the highest standards of laboratory testing in the interest of optimal patient care.

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