

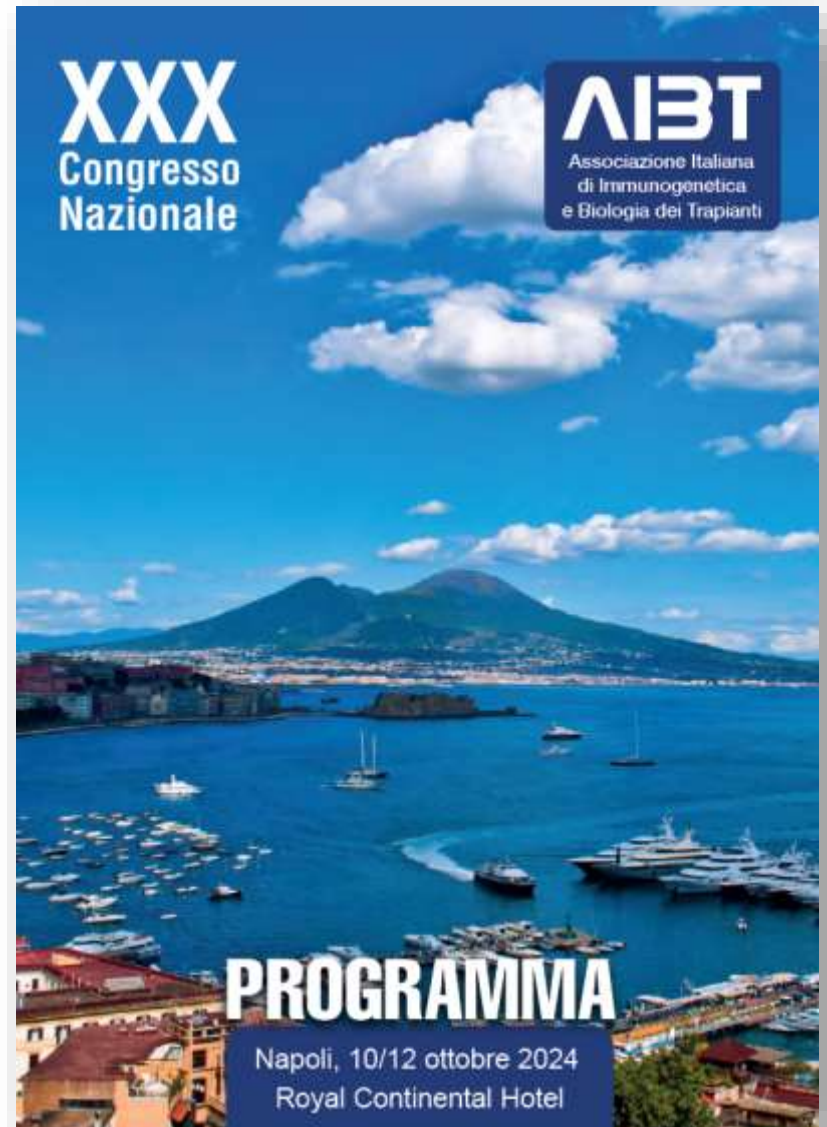
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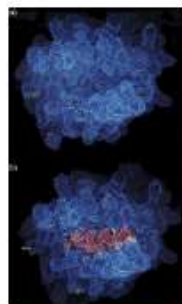
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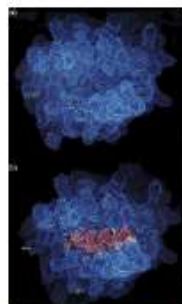
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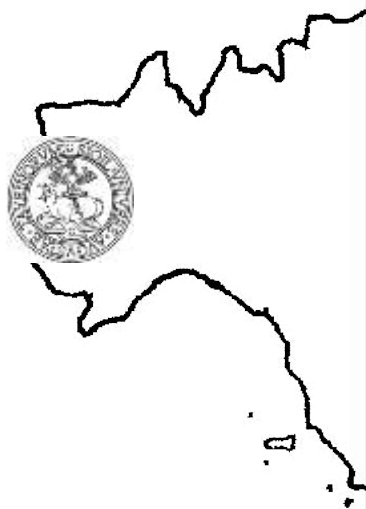
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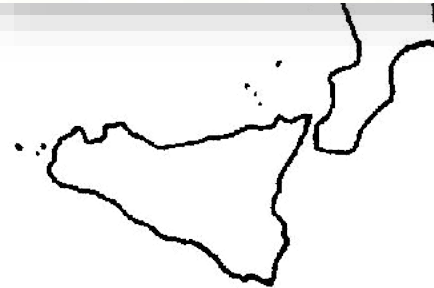
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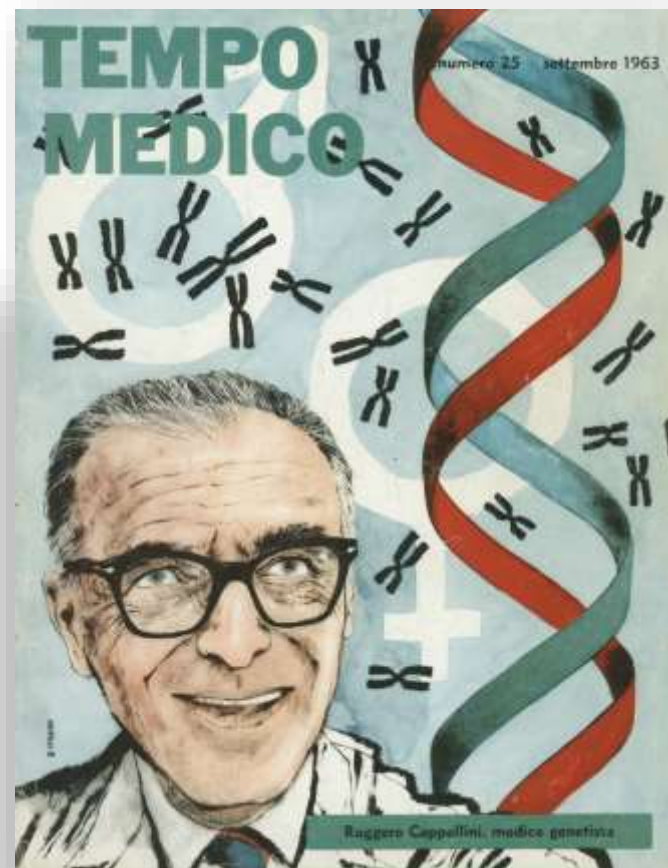
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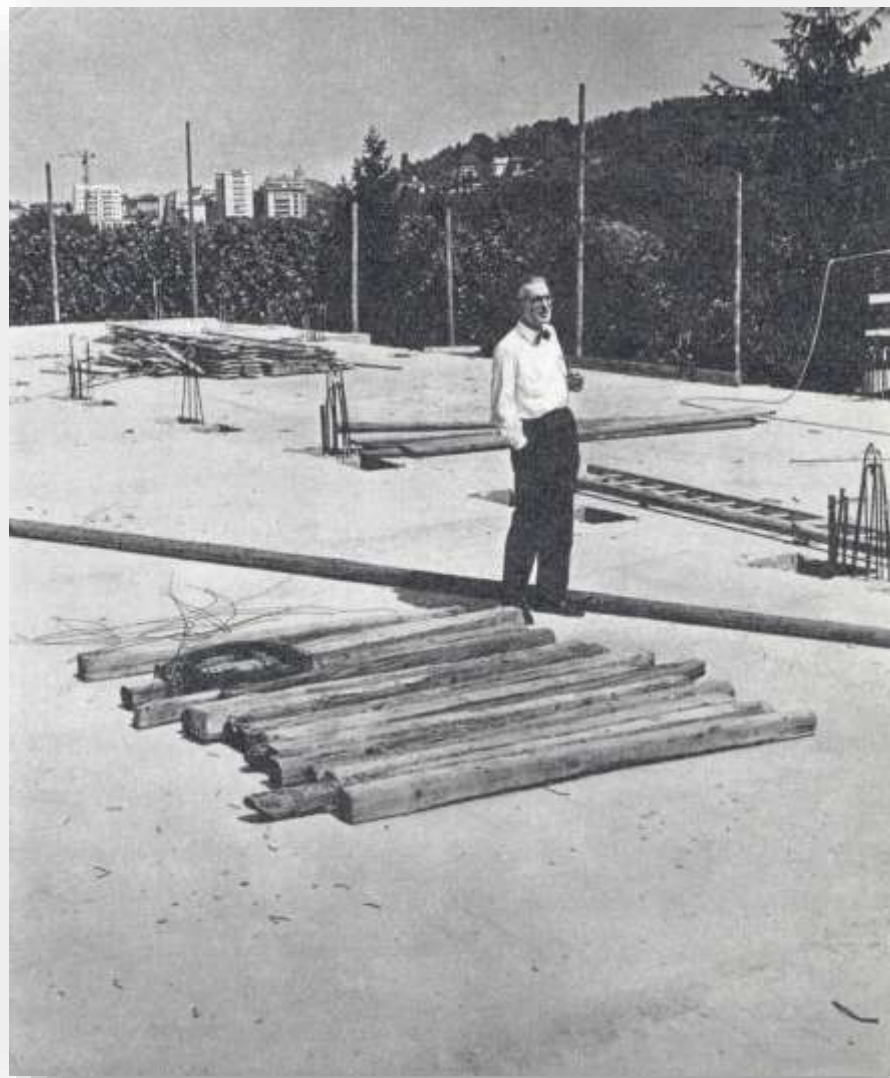
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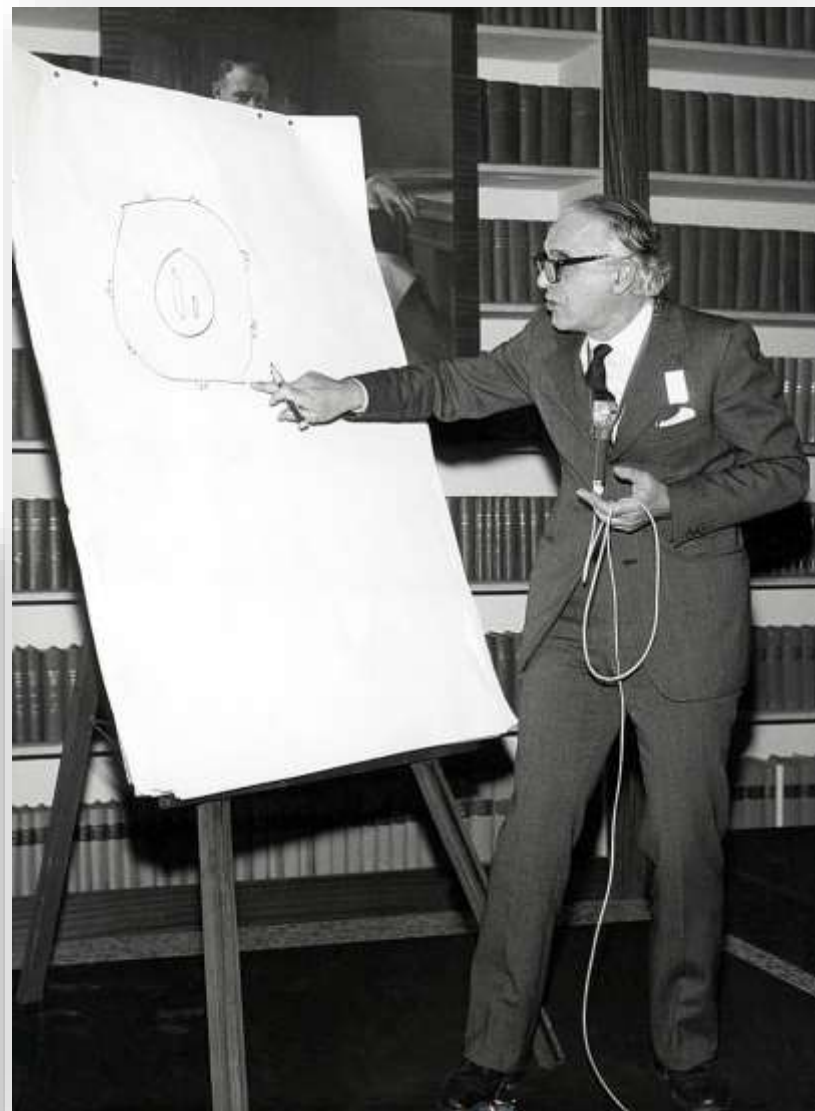




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HL-A2, or HL-AMac	1	5	To-9	1 or Mac	LA2	LA2	8a	PIGrLy ^{B1}	2	Lc-2
HL-A3	4	—	To-10	12	LA3	LA3	LA3	Hill	8	Lc-3
HL-A4										
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HL-A6										
HL-A7	2	—	To-20	10	—	4d	7c	—	5	Lc-8
HL-A8	41	2	To-7	8	—	7d	7d	—	11	Lc-7

^a A dash (—) indicates that no symbol has been allocated within the nomenclature concerned.

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HLA-Aw34	Malay 2	HLA-Bw40	W10
HLA-Aw36	Mo*	HLA-Bw41	Sabell
HLA-Aw43	BK	HLA-Bw42	MWA

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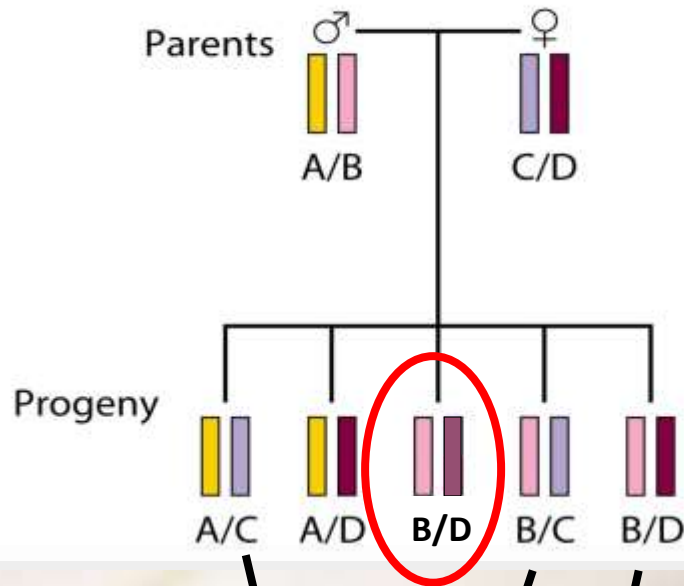
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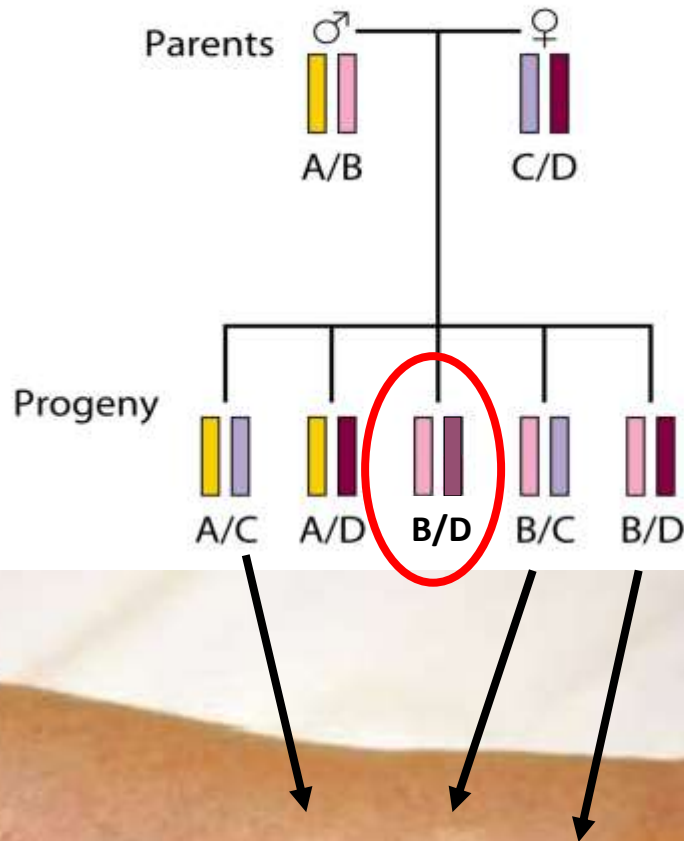


HLA Compatibility



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THERE is now a general consensus that test skin grafting in man is a powerful tool for the identification and study of histocompatibility factors which are important in clinical transplantation.¹ This and the subsequent paper² summarize the information recently collected by our group.

The proof that some leukocyte antigens, now known to belong to the HL-A system³ were indeed transplantation antigens, had already been reached with skin grafting experiments in genetically unrelated recipients, preimmunized with white cells.^{4,5} By contrast, leukocyte typing allowed a good prediction of skin graft survival only in the case of siblings.⁶ In this genetic class of grafts (S:S), a bimodal distribution had been observed with a mean survival time (MST) of 20 days for the long lasting group; it was concluded that this fraction of S:S grafts probably corresponded to compatibility for a predominant histocompatibility system and that the same fraction of S:S transplants in the case of kidney under optimal immunosuppressive treatment, should have a rate of survival approaching that given by MZ twins.⁷ Soon it was proved that these S:S pairs have indeed the same HL-A genotype.⁸ Similar results were obtained for test skin grafting by Amos,⁹ while van Rood¹⁰ with an ingenious *a posteriori* analysis gave indirect but convincing evidence that all kidney grafts between siblings with identical HL-A phenotype (HL-A =) were surviving be-

yond 18 months from operation; by contrast the majority of HL-A different (HL-A ≠) pairs had disappeared from the sample because of graft rejection and death of the recipient.

Material and Methods: As described previously.² All genetically related subjects (sib S, parent P, child C) and the majority of unrelated subjects (U) have been typed for ABO, P and the HL-A determinants of the Torino (TO) series described in ref. 11, with the addition of TO 13, 14 (two new specificities of the LA series) and 20 (=7c).

RESULTS

HL-A Compatibility: The survival time of the 357 grafts studied are individually reported in Table 1, subdivided according to genetic relationship, to HL-A typing and to ABO compatibility. The effect of the ABO system and the possible interplay with HL-A are discussed in the joint paper.² Table 2 gives the mean survival times, with the standard deviations and the statistical significance of the observed differences. The data confirm our previous findings⁷ that grafts exchanged between siblings have the longest MST, followed in order by grafts between parent and child (P:C) and by grafts between unrelated (U:U). Subdivision on the basis of the HL-A typing, however, has a striking effect on S:S. In fact, the grafts between sibs who are phenotypically (and genotypically) identical for the HL-A system survive eight days longer than grafts between HL-A ≠ sibs. Note that this last group of S:S is now surviving less than P:C; when, however, it is again subdivided on the

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At the Centennial Exhibition of the Nobel Prize, the Nobel Foundation called it one of the ten cradles of creativity (1). The journal *Nature* likened its ideals to those of the French revolution—Liberté, Égalité, Fraternité—and called it a paradise (2) devoted to the science of immune systems: the Basel Institute for Immunology (BII). Founded by Roche in 1968, inaugurated in 1971, and closed in 2000, it was home to almost 450 scientific members, over 1,000 scientific visitors, and nearly 100 scientific advisors from more than 30 countries who worked in complete academic freedom and without commercial motives on over 3,500 projects, publishing more than 3,200 scientific papers, almost all of them on the structure and functions of immune systems of different species. This review contains a first collection of historical facts and dates that describe the background of the exceptionally successful performance and the strong scientific impact of the institute on the field of immunology.

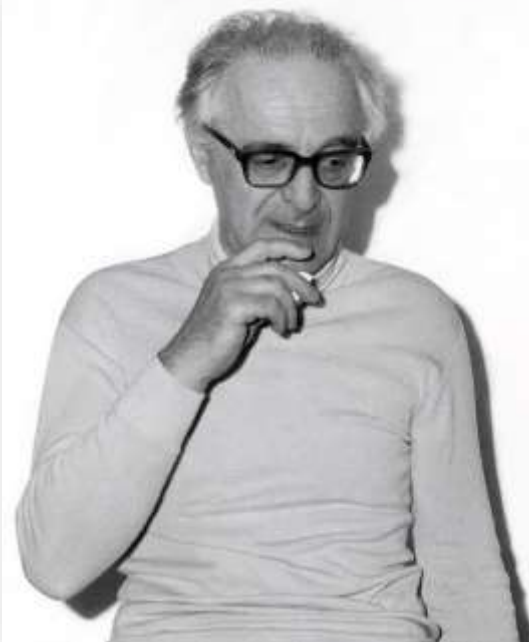


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Mixed Lymphocyte Culture (MLC) Reaction



In 1967, Fritz Bach and Bernard Amos reported that HL-A genes control the Mixed Lymphocyte Culture (MLC) reaction.

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Ruggero Ceppellini, brilliantly creative geneticist and outstanding academician, died on 5 June 1988 having enjoyed an extraordinary scientific career spanning 36 years. Born in Milano, Italy on 19 January 1917, Ceppellini began his career as a practicing physician. In 1951 Professor Claudio Barigozzi offered Ceppellini a post as assistant professor without salary after reading some of his papers. Ceppellini established his formal grounding in genetics during this period, and spoke with inordinate enthusiasm about the influence of Luca Cavalli-Sforza ("a remarkable intellect and constant friend") as a teacher throughout his career.

From 1954 to 1958, Ceppellini studied at Columbia University. He had nothing other than praise and respect for both Dobzhansky and Dunn ("a great man"). During his time at Columbia, Ceppellini met Henry Kunkel ("Kunkel was great, he had imagination, originality, and the ability to see things differently from others").

After his return to Italy from Columbia, Ceppellini's career blossomed. His insights into genetic systems illuminated many areas. He undertook a study of genetic factors that played a role in resistance to Plasmodium falciparum. He noted that glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase deficiency and thalassemia were more frequent in areas endemic for malaria, and demonstrated the protective influence of heterozygosity for these genes against malaria. In 1962, he became

Ruggero Ceppellini (1917-1988)

from Fritz H. Bach

director of a CNR (National Research Council) sponsored center for the study of immunogenetics and histocompatibility. From 1962-1978



Ruggero Ceppellini (1917-1988)

he was Professor of Medical Genetics at the University of Torino and Director of the Istituto di Genetica Medica. In 1978 he became Professor of Clinical Immunology at the University of Milano, and in 1983 Professor of Human Genetics at that university. He held these latter positions until his death. He was appointed one of the first senior members of the Basil Institute of Immunology and became a permanent member of that institute.

Through Cavalli-Sforza, Ceppellini was exposed to the teachings of R.A.

Fisher. Ceppellini liked to recall finding a printing error in a formula published by Fisher (which he re-derived to ensure that he understood it) and his nervousness about writing to the master. Fisher not only sent thanks to Ceppellini (it turned out that the formula initially published by Fisher was correct but had been reproduced incorrectly), but later, when they met, complimented the young scientist for noticing an error that had been missed by all, even through the many translations of that work. This need to understand in detail any facet of his work accompanied Ceppellini for the rest of his career, with full understanding came imaginative application, critical interpretation and generating insights.

The presentations at the first International Congress of Genebs in Bologna in 1953 intensified Ceppellini's fascination with human genetics and with Fisher's formulation of a series of closely linked genes functioning as a supergene. If one can point to a single focus pervading his subsequent research, it was Ceppellini's enchantment with the fundamental genetics and biological import of inter-related, closely linked genes - a critical concept that he brought into focus for all of us. He summarized this concept of a group of functionally related, genetically linked loci in his introduction of the term "haplotype", about which he joked that if he had a penny for each time that the term was used, he would be a very rich man. It was at

*Quotations included in this article are from two interviews with Ceppellini in 1988, one was in Milan at the author's house, the other at Ceppellini's private home in Carlo Leagne.

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Torino, 9 novembre 1979

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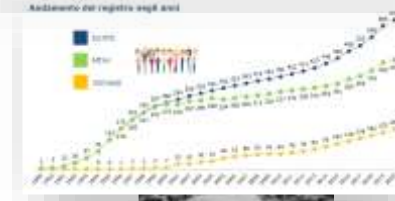
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1987 HLA cristallizzato

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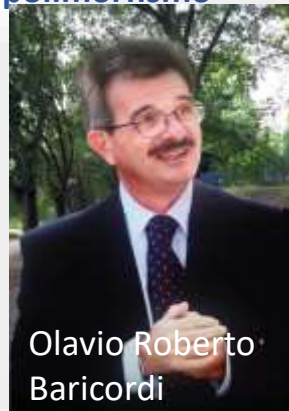


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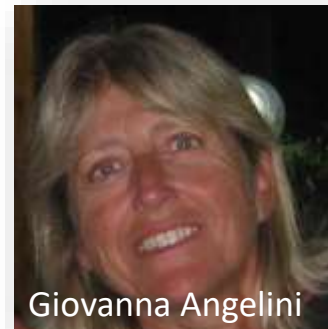
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1983 Il polimorfismo HLA a
livello molecolare



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1978 un nuovo locus HLA:
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CEPPELLINI AWARD



Each year at the annual EFI meeting a scientist who has made a substantial contribution to the field of Immunogenetics is honoured by the society and invited to present their work in the form of the Ceppellini lecture.

The lecture is named in honour of Ruggero Ceppellini (1917-1988) an Italian geneticist who was greatly influential in the HLA field. He was the organiser of the Third International Histocompatibility Workshop held in Torino, Italy in June 1967.

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2019	Pamela Bjorkman	2001	Dominique Charron
2018	Lorenzo Moretta	2000	Julia G. Bodmer
2017	John Kappler	1999	Peter Morris
2016	Effie Petersdorf	1998	Paul Terasaki
2015	Frans Claas	1997	Eva Klein
2014	Marco Colonna	1996	Hidde Ploegh
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2010	Emil Unanue	1992	Fritz Bach
2009	Cees Melief	1991	Jack Strominger
2008	Hans-Georg Rammensee	1990	Walter F. Bodmer
2007	Klas Karre	1988	Jon J. van Rood

1993 Alberto Piazza



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2018 Lorenzo Moretta





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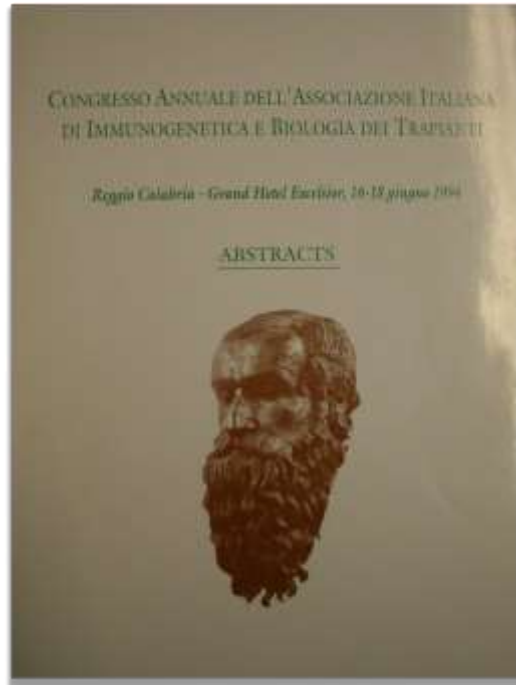
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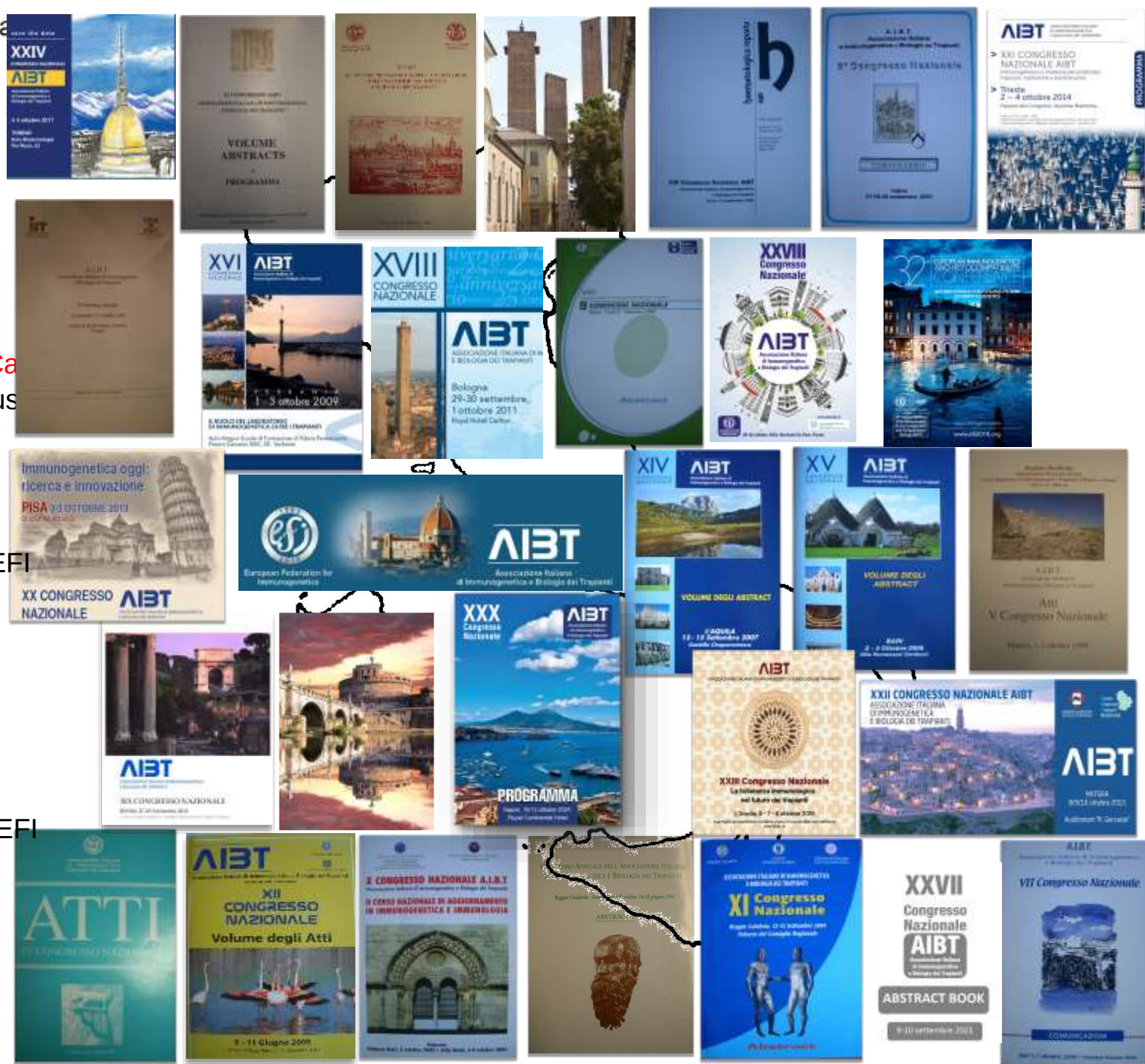
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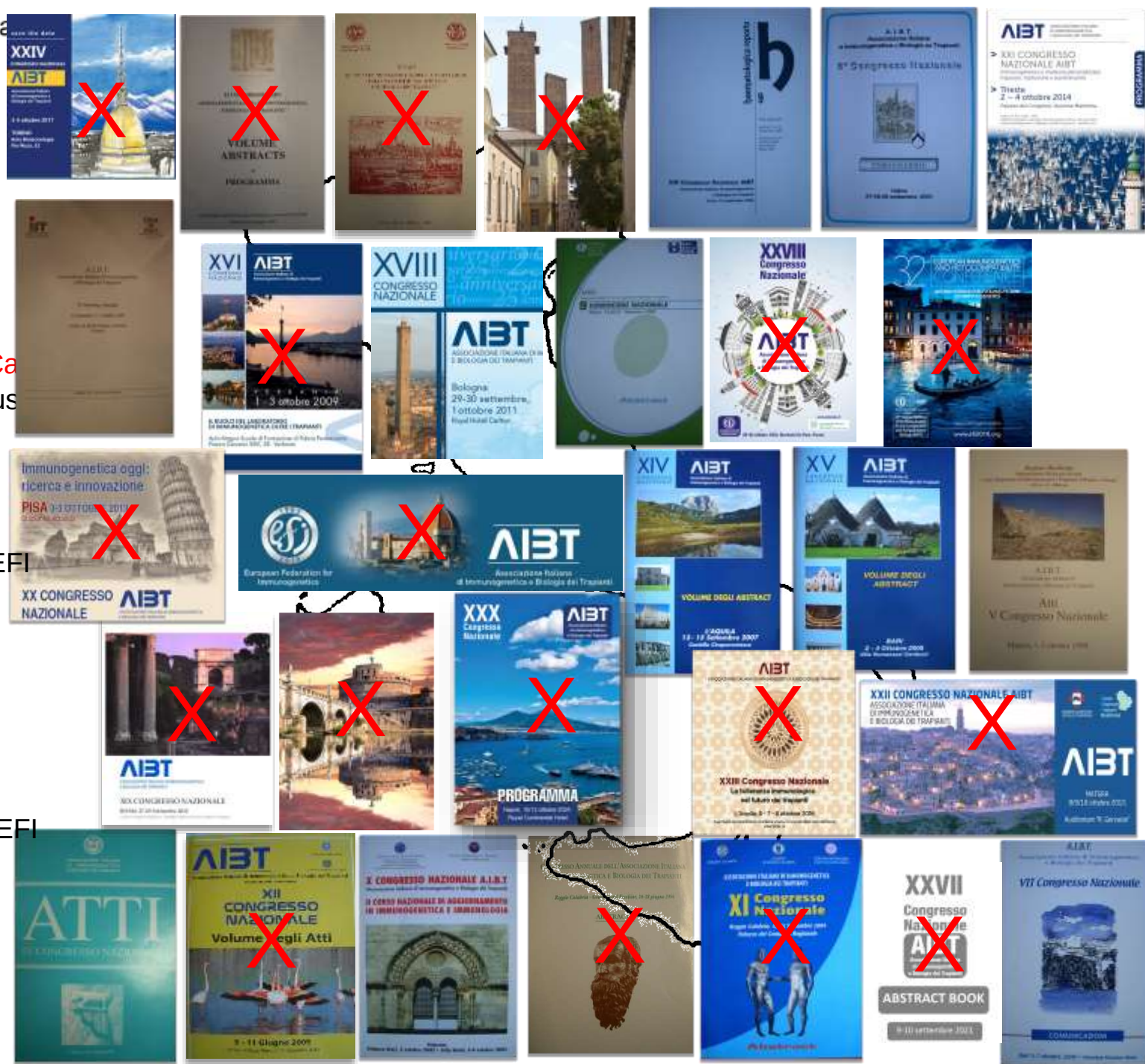
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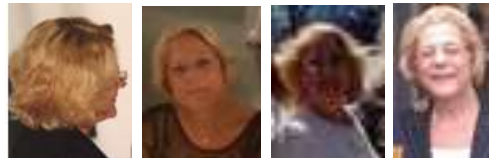
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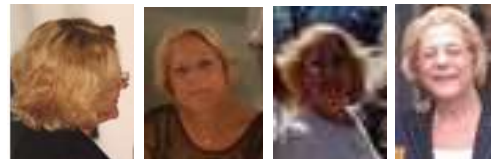
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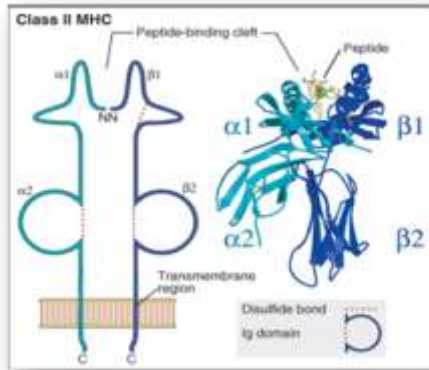
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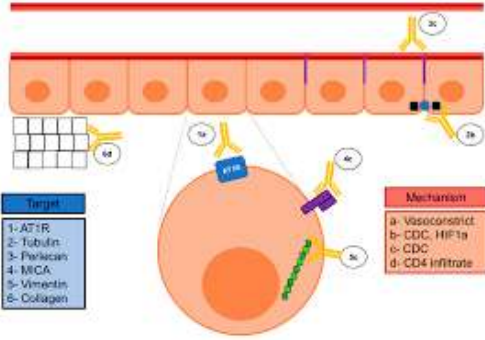
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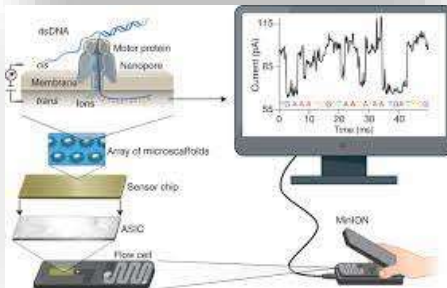
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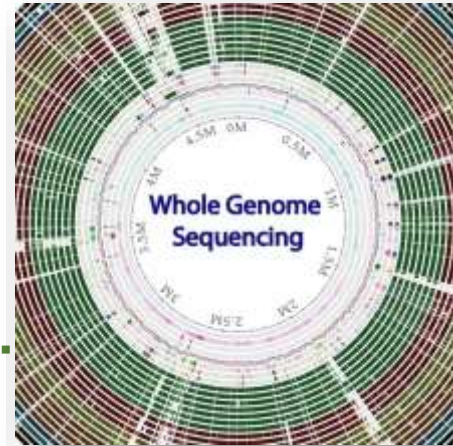
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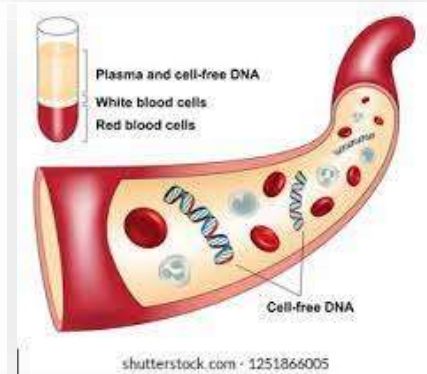
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