

# Pilot on inclusion of a case report in the external proficiency testing program

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- At the extramural meeting 2015 in Mannheim, the ETRL proposed to include patient-based cases in the ETRL EPT scheme
- The main goal of such scheme is to discuss the results and policies in the different centres to reach maximum consistency within ET affiliated centres
- Two schemes were proposed:
  - A paper-based scheme in which all histocompatibility data is provided
  - A sample-based scheme in which selected cells and sera from regular EPT shipments are used

# Pilot on paper-based EPT



- In June 2015 a pilot paper-based EPT was sent to the centers that participate in the ETRL EPT scheme
- This first exercise concerned a virtual donor-recipient combination
- Participation rate:

	Total within EPT	Participated	Participation rate
ET	48	39	81%
Non-ET	23	9	39%

# The patient case: recipient information



<b>Recipient age at time of Tx:</b>	59 years
<b>Recipient gender:</b>	female
<b>Recipient blood group:</b>	A
<b>Recipient HLA type :</b>	A1 A10 A34 B15 B75 B37 Bw4 Bw6 DR2 DR15 Cw4 Cw6 DQ1 DQ6 DR51
<b>Immunizing events:</b>	previous transplant
<b>HLA-type of previous Tx:</b>	A2 A19 A32 B15 B62 B35 Bw6 DR4 DR5 <b>DR11</b> Cw3 Cw10 Cw4 DQ3 DQ7 DQ8 DR53
<b>CDC antibody specificities:</b>	A2 A28 DR4 DR5 DQ8
<b>Luminex antibodies:</b>	A2 A9 A28 B17 DR3 DR4 DR5 DR6 DR7 DR9 DR10 DR52 DR53 DQ3

# The patient case: donor information



**Donor type:** Deceased  
**Donor blood group:** A  
**Donor HLA type:** A1 A10 A26 B8 B15 B75 Bw6 DR2 DR15 DR3 DR17  
Cw7 DQ1 DQ6 DQ2 DR51 DR52

## CDC crossmatch results:

Unseparated		T cells		B cells	
(-) DTT	(+) DTT	(-) DTT	(+) DTT	(-) DTT	(+) DTT
Pos	Neg	-	-	Pos	Neg

**Flow cross match results:** Negative

# Luminex data



Specificity	A2*	A9	A28*	B17	DR4*	DR5*	DR6
Median of MFI	24180	12874	19492	14239	17155	10283	9725

Specificity	DR7	DR9	DR10	DR17	DR18	DR52	DR53	DQ3*
Median of MFI	11687	12530	6841	<b>9971</b>	8515	<b>3173</b>	17592	8883

\*Also found by CDC



## Patient:

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**CDC Abs:** A2 A28 DR4 DR5 DQ8

**Luminex Abs:** A2 A9 A28 B17 DR3 DR4 DR5 DR6 DR7 DR9 DR10 DR52 DR53 DQ3

## Donor:

A1 A10 A26 B8 B15 B75 Bw6 DR2 DR15 DR3 DR17 Cw7 DQ1 DQ6 DQ2 DR51 DR52

**Green:** match

**Blue:** mismatch without proven antibodies

**Black:** mismatch with specificity CDC proven

**Orange:** mismatch with specificity Luminex proven



- Mismatch: 0/1/1
- CDC crossmatch: (-) DTT: positive, (+) DTT: negative
- Flow crossmatch: negative
- No auto-crossmatch performed
  
- No CDC-proven donor-reactive Abs
- Luminex-proven donor-reactive Abs:
  - DR17 (no repeat mismatch)
  - DR52 (repeat mismatch?)
  
  - DRB1\*03:01 bead **MFI 9971**
  - DRB3\*01:01 **MFI 3173**, DRB3\*02:02 **MFI 6401**, DRB3\*03:01 **MFI 2819**

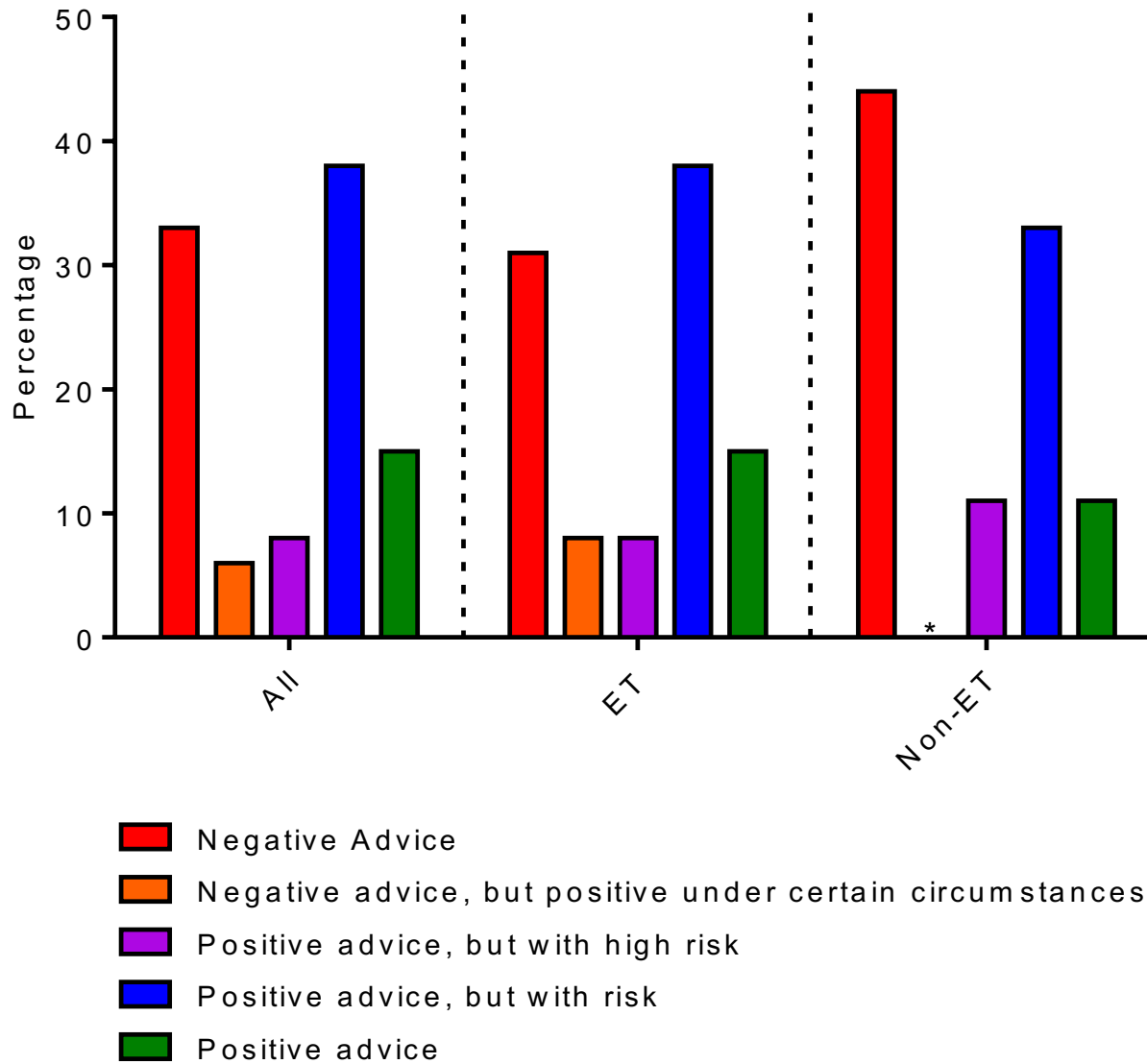


# Some information was lacking



- Need for extra information:
  - Patient's autoantibody status
  - Immunizing events
  - Flow XM cell source
  - Complete antibody profile with serum dates
  - Diagnosis, reason for graft loss, nephrectomy 1<sup>st</sup> transplant

# Results





- What to do in case of crossmatch results:
  - Positive (-) DTT
  - Negative (+) DTT
  - No autologous crossmatch performed
- How to deal with antibodies detected by Luminex only in case of a negative CDC crossmatch?
  - No repeat mismatch
  - Repeat mismatch

# Pilot on sample-based EPT



- September 2015: A case based on the regular EPT cross match exercise material
- Divided into 2 regions: donor centers and recipient centers
- From the regular EPT serum and cell samples a virtual patient case was made
- 3 serum samples (patients) needed to be crossmatched with 1 cell sample (donor). Tissue type and serum antibody data could also be used for analysis
- Compatibility between serum samples (patients) and cell sample (donor) needed to be determined

# Pilot on sample-based EPT



- Participation rate:

	Total within EPT	Participated	Participation rate
Donor centers	31	25	81%
Recipient centers	31	17	55%



- Donor centers:

	Crossmatch	Crossmatch DTT	Advice (n=25)
'Patient' serum J	Pos	Pos	No: 25
'Patient' serum K	Neg	Neg	Yes: 21 / No: 4
'Patient' serum L	Neg	Neg	Yes: 15 / No: 10

- Recipient centers:

	Crossmatch	Crossmatch DTT	Advice (n=17)
'Patient' serum J	Pos	Pos	Yes: 1 / No: 16
'Patient' serum K	Pos	Pos	No: 17
'Patient' serum L	Neg	Neg	Yes: 13 / No: 4

- Differences in advice when crossmatch is negative mainly due to DSA only detectable in Luminex or local match criteria

# Comments received from participants





- Main issue is that the sample based exercise is purely based on the regular EPT material
- Lack of background data, such as number of prior transplants, pregnancies, ABO type, age of recipient

# Please send in your anonymized patient cases



- <http://etrl.eurotransplant.org/cms/index.php?page=Forms>



**FORM FOR SUBMISSION OF INSTRUCTIVE CASES PATIENT-BASED EPT**

Please fill in all information you have available (anonymized). Also provide raw Solid Phase Assay data in a separate excel sheet if applicable. We would like to be able contact you in case more information is required, so please provide us with your contact details.

Center code:  
Contact person:  
E-mail address:  
Telephone number:

**Recipient information**

**Recipient date of birth:**

**Recipient gender:** m / f (encircle as required)

**Recipient blood group:**

**Recipient HLA type:**

**Immunizing events:**

**Typing of children** (in case of female recipient)  
Child 1  
Child 2  
Child 3

**Typing of previous transplants**  
Transplant 1  
Transplant 2  
Transplant 3

**Antibody information**

Antibody specificities confirmed in CDC:

Please include raw data from Solid Phase assay (Luminex and/or ELISA, if relevant) in separate excel file(s).

Unacceptable mismatches:  
Acceptable mismatches (in case of AM patient):

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Forms can be submitted to: [etrl@eurotransplant.org](mailto:etrl@eurotransplant.org)



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