



Dear colleagues,

In this autumn edition of the ETRL newsletter we provide you information on the topics that will be discussed during the upcoming 2nd virtual Extramural meeting, the developments on the HML data standard in ET, as well as EPT news and the EPT shipment dates for next year. We anticipate that next year's Extramural meeting can be held in person again, allowing for the much needed social interaction. Until then, we hope to meet you virtually on November the 26th.

Announcement for the 2nd virtual Extramural Meeting

Herewith, we invite you to join the 2nd virtual ET Tissue Typers Extramural meeting on Friday 26th of November 2021, from 10:00 - 12:00, hosted through Microsoft Teams. We will discuss the 2020 patient based cases, news from the TTAC and the upcoming virtual crossmatch. The meeting will be concluded with a scientific presentation on antibody-verified eplets. Registration is required. To register, please send an e-mail to ymzoet@lumc.nl before the 23rd of November. Certificates will be sent by e-mail after the meeting.

HML as future HLA typing data standard in Eurotransplant

The ETRL, together with the ET office, and in close collaboration with Matchis and the DSO, is working hard to integrate Histoimmunogenetics Markup Language (HML) as the future HLA typing data standard within ET. This development is necessary to transfer 11-loci ambiguous HLA typing data to ET in order to perform the virtual crossmatch. There is close contact with the vendors of intermediate resolution HLA typing kits to implement HML reporting in their software packages. The companies CareDx, BAG, One Lambda, Immucor and Inno-Train are already working on implementing HML reporting. Please contact the ETRL if software is used in your lab for donor procedures is from a company not yet listed.

The plan is that HML files will be transferred to the ET

office through a web interface, negating the necessity for manual entry of data. In a later stage, the manufacturers of laboratory information systems will be involved in reporting through their systems.

Patient based EPT dates 2022

Information/form sent	Deadline
08-02-2022	23-02-2022
31-05-2022	14-06-2022
06-09-2022	20-09-2022

Sera for AM program application

As part of the AM program acceptance process, we regularly receive the most recent serum for the patient involved. For efficient handling of requests and optimal chance of acceptance, please make sure to send in a peak serum instead.

External Proficiency Testing news

- As you may have noticed, recently the EPT shipments suffered from several delays. The ETRL is now looking to change to a courier that is more punctual to prevent delays and loss of material.
- The 2021 certificates are published on the EPT website. In case of inconsistencies, please contact us through email.
- The patient based case summaries can be found on the EPT website in the part "about EPT".

EPT shipment dates 2022

Shipping date	Typing dispatch (n)	Deadline typing/xm report	screening dispatch (n)	Crossmatch dispatch*	Deadline screening report
08-02-2022	3	23-02-2022	2022-Scr-A-L (12)	2022-A, B, C	28-06-2022
05-04-2022	3	26-04-2022		2022-D, E, F	
31-05-2022	3	14-06-2022		2022-G, H, I	
06-09-2022	3	20-09-2022		2022-J, K, L	

*For screening and crossmatching different sera are shipped