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Advance Registration Available

Join us for the FOCIS 2022 Annual Meeting, June 21-24, as the FOCIS community comes together in San Francisco for the first in-person meeting since 2019!

Register early with advance registration to lock in your best rate. Save even more when you gather your working group of three or more to take advantage of the 2022 group registration discount.



Register Now & Save!

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Now Accepting Late-Breaking Abstract Submissions

Take advantage of the opportunity to share your science with the international FOCIS community and have your work reviewed by experts in the field. Now is your chance to **submit a late-breaking abstract** on new or updated results on your research.

All submissions will be considered for the Poster Presentation Sessions at FOCIS 2022. Topscoring submissions will also be considered for inclusion in the Late-Breaking Oral Abstract Sessions. All late-breaking abstracts must be **submitted electronically through the submission site** by Wednesday, May 18, 2022.



FOCIS 2022 Registration and Travel Awards

FOCIS members chosen to present a Late-Breaking Oral Abstract are eligible to receive a 2022 Travel Award to offset travel-related expenses to attend the in-person meeting. Presenting authors are required to register to attend the FOCIS 2022 Annual Meeting to ensure the abstract is included in the abstract supplement and scheduled into the program.

The number and amount of the awards are based upon several factors including geographic location, placement of abstract within the FOCIS program and funds available. Please see the **Travel Award Reimbursement Policy** for more information.

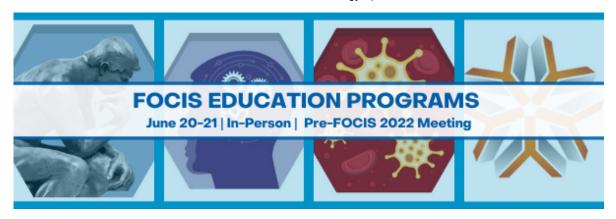
Submit an Abstract

Register to Join Our Keynote Speaker Sessions

FOCIS is pleased to announce the FOCIS 2022 Annual Meeting Keynote Speakers! The Annual Meeting brings together leading clinicians and researchers to deliver the latest breakthroughs across translational immunology.

Register today to secure the best rate possible and save your seat to our keynote sessions, Wednesday, June 21, through Friday, June 24, 2022.

Register Now & Save!



Join Us Early for Two Days of Educational Courses

FOCIS offers four educational opportunities before the FOCIS 2022 Annual Meeting begins. They will be held on June 20 and 21 at the San Francisco Marriott Marquis, the FOCIS 2022 host venue.

FOCIS is offering a two-day course package to attend a single course each day for a reduced rate. Courses run the full day and include breakfast, lunch and designated networking breaks.

Review the available courses and register today to learn from the leaders of translational immunology!

Register for FOCISed Courses

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FCE Spotlight

Get to Know FCE Director Femke van Wijk, PhD | Utrecht Infection & Immunology, the Netherlands

Take a moment to learn more about FCE Director Femke van Wijk. FOCIS interviewed Dr. van Wijk about her career path, proudest achievements, involvement with FOCIS and her work with Utrecht Infection & Immunology. Read excerpts from that



interview below, or listen to the full interview and read the transcript, **here**.

How did you first get involved in immunology?

I was starting biology and I was thinking to do a Master's in Environmental Biology, but then I followed a course in immunology and I was really hooked because I thought it was the most complex and fascinating system. So I decided to pursue a Master's in Immunology and also to continue with a PhD in Immunology.

Tell us about the research you're most proud of.

About four years ago, together with Professor Marjolein de Bruin, we formed a new research team studying biological and clinical effects of new biologics for atopic dermatitis and chronic skin inflammation. And the team consists of basic and clinical scientists, as well as bioinformaticians and diagnostic experts. And in a short period of time, we have been able to collect relevant data from biomarkers to insights into immunological mechanisms regarding the efficacy and side effects. And we are rapidly expanding. This is really a true multidisciplinary team effort in a field where we feel we can make a lot of impact. And that gives us a lot of energy.

What is the most important trait a researcher should possess and why?

That's a difficult question, but I think the most important thing is to be curious and to be open. So the drive of wanting to understand and also to learn.

Listen to the full interview or read the transcript here.



FOCIS Members Attend for Free!

Due to the FOCIS 2022 Advanced Course in Basic and Clinical Immunology shifting to a virtual environment, FOCIS is once again offering our most popular course for free to all current FOCIS members! The virtual course will be held on the same dates of Monday, March 7 – Wednesday, March 9, 2022.

Program Update

Course organizers have updated the program to fit the virtual format and accommodate participating faculty. **Click here** for details on the virtual program and planned agenda.

Registration

Join more than 1,500 clinicians, researchers and trainees who have attended FOCIS' most popular course already.

The registration fee has been waived for all FOCIS members and significantly reduced for non-members. Registration includes access to both the live presentations and speaker-approved recordings for on-demand viewing until Friday, April 8, 2022.

Become a member today to attend our most popular course.

Register for the Virtual Advanced Course

Member Society Journal Highlight | Transplantation



The official journal of The Transplantation Society, and the International Liver Transplantation Society, *Transplantation*, is published monthly and is committed to rapid review and publication. The journal remains competitive and strives to reach a decision within 21 days from submission. The journal publishes original research articles in clinical science and basic science. Short reports bring attention to research at the forefront of the field. Other areas covered include cell therapy and islet transplantation, immunobiology and genomics, and xenotransplantation.

Through close association with The Transplantation Society and its International Sections, as well as the journal *Transplantation*, *Transplantation Direct* is an open access portal for international transplantation with rapid electronic publication of peer-reviewed, high-quality basic research and clinical studies related to the field of transplantation.

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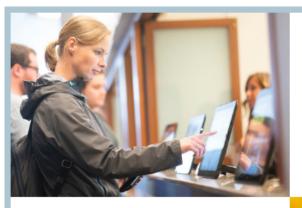
Welcome Asia Pacific Association of Allergy, Asthma and Clinical Immunology to FOCIS



FOCIS is pleased to welcome the Asia Pacific Association of Allergy, Asthma and Clinical Immunology (APAAACI) as the 61st FOCIS Member Society.

APAAACI is an association of national/regional societies of Allergy and Clinical Immunology in the Asia Pacific region. APAAACI aims to create programs within allergy, asthma and clinical immunology for motivational and inspirational learning opportunities from global leaders to share their career journeys. **Learn more about APAAACI**

Interested in becoming a FOCIS Member Society? **Click here** to view the current roster of Member Societies and learn how your society can join.



Save

Renew now to earn an additional month of membership for free!

Connect

Plug into a network of leading immunologist, clinicians and scientists from across the globe!



Learn

Expand your knowledge bank with myriad educational opportunities year-round from FOCIS!

Renew Your Membership by March 31

Still need to renew your membership? Please ensure you renew by March 31, 2022 to avoid any disruption to your FOCIS member benefits, including additional cost savings on registration and abstract fees, educational opportunities both in-person and online, and connections to leading immunology talent globally!

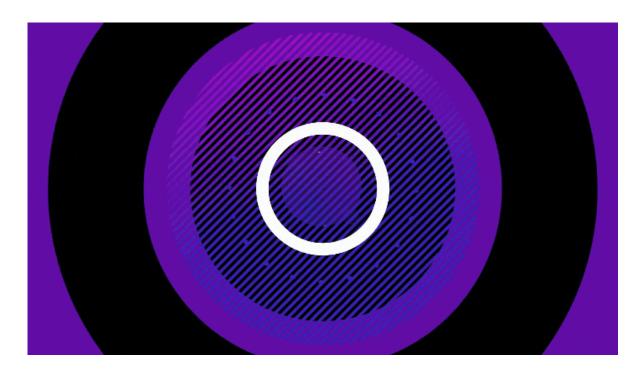
PLUS! Current FOCIS members can now register to attend the **2022 Advanced Course in Basic & Clinical Immunology** for free! **Register for the virtual course!**

Click here to sign into your account and renew today! Questions about membership? Contact **info@focisnet.org** and we will gladly assist you.

Renew my Membership >

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Inaugural China Advanced Course a Success!

The Inaugural FOCIS China Advanced Course in Basic and Translational Immunology organized by FOCIS in collaboration with Becton Dickinson China was held weekly, virtually, with five online sessions from November 13 to December 11, 2021.

The course organizers were Ignacio Anegon, MD (Chair, INSERM-University of Nantes, France), Stephanie Eisenbarth, MD, PhD (Northwestern University, U.S.A.), Terri Laufer, MD (University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.) and Shiv Pillai, MD, PhD (Ragon Institute of MGH, MIT and Harvard, U.S.A.).

The course was a clear success, in terms of number of attendees, scientific and pedagogical quality, as well as the results from the post-meeting evaluations.

The course had 1,786 attendees, mainly from China (90%), but also from 35 different countries on five continents.

Twenty leading immunologists from Europe, North America and China covered major topics in basic cellular and molecular immunology as well as on the role of immune mechanisms in diverse diseases.

Highlights from the evaluation:

- 98% of respondents rated the course Good or Excellent
- 100% felt the course was well organized
- 100% would recommend the course to a colleague

The organizers thank the faculty and attendees for making the course a success.

FOCIS particularly acknowledges the work of the team at Becton Dickinson, including Lilian Liu, Sophie Liu, and Robert Balderas without whom this course would not have taken place.

FOCIS is proud of this course and will aim to have periodic courses in China in collaboration with Becton Dickinson China.



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