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A Message from the President

I am hugely honored to serve as the 11th president of the Society for Mucosal Immunology. I would like to begin by thanking each and every one of you for the support that you provide to the society by being an active member. In the past several years, we have seen our membership grow from 500 members in 2005 to 793 members in 2011, we have launched a society journal, and we have increased the frequency of our society meeting from every third year, to every other year. Notably, the 15th International Congress of Mucosal Immunology meeting this past summer in Paris broke all records with an attendance of 963 participants, 144 talks and an astonishing 489 posters.



I probably don't need to point this out, but it is an exceptionally exciting time to be a mucosal immunologist. It is almost impossible to open a journal or a newspaper these days without coming across a new study that talks about how important homeostasis of the mucosal immune system is to our overall health and well-being. In addition to the increasing recognition of our field in the mainstream media, we have seen the incredibly successful growth of our society journal, *Mucosal Immunology*, published in conjunction with Nature Publishing Group.

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July, 2013**

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Congratulations to Angela Schppers of the University Hospital Aachen in Aachen, Germany, who was randomly selected to receive complimentary ICMI 2013 registration for her participation in the post-ICMI 2011 survey.

Mucosal Immunology

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The current issue of *Mucosal Immunology* is online now and features the following articles:
Regulation of the polymeric immunoglobulin receptor and IgA transport: new advances in environmental factors that stimulate pIgR expression and its role in mucosal immunity
F-E Johansen and C S Kaetzel

Secretory IgA's complex roles in immunity and mucosal homeostasis in the gut
N J Mantis, N Rol and B Corthésy

The human immunoglobulin A Fc receptor Fc α RI: a multifaceted regulator of mucosal immunity
J E Bakema and M van Egmond

Biofilms can be dispersed by focusing the immune system on a common family of bacterial nucleoid-associated proteins
S D Goodman, K P Obergfell, J A Jurcisek, L A Novotny, J S Downey, E A Ayala, N Tjokro, B Li, S S Justice and L O Bakaletz

Oral macrophage-like cells play a key role in tolerance induction following sublingual immunotherapy of asthmatic mice
L Mascarell, N Saint-Lu, H Moussu, A Zimmer, A Louise, Y Lone, D Ladant, C Leclerc, S Tourdot, L Van Overtvelt and P Moingeon

Prevention of vaginal SHIV transmission in macaques by a live recombinant *Lactobacillus*
L A Lagenaur, B E Sanders-Beer, B Brichacek, R Pal, X Liu, Y Liu, R Yu, D Venzon, P P Lee and D H Hamer

Synergy between intraepithelial lymphocytes and lamina propria T cells drives intestinal inflammation during infection
C E Egan, K J Maurer, S B Cohen, M Mack, K

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W Simpson and E Y Denkers

**Enhanced HIV-1 replication in ex vivo
ectocervical tissues from post-menopausal
women correlates with increased
inflammatory responses**

C Rollenhagen and S N Asin

**Influenza A facilitates sensitization to house
dust mite in infant mice leading to an asthma
phenotype in adulthood**

A Al-Garawi, R Fattouh, F Botelho, T D
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