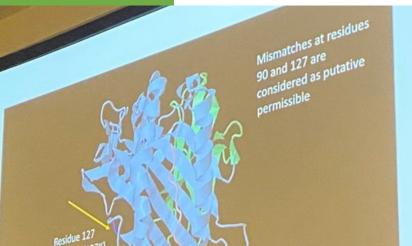


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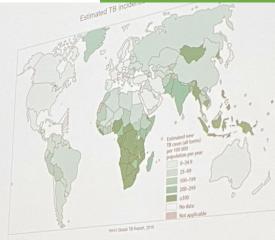








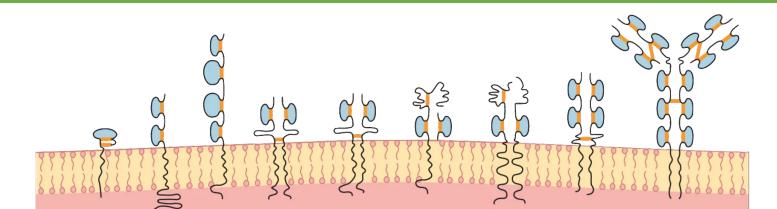
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  ~11% of new cases are drug resistant
  ~1.5 million deaths a year
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- positive individuals
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## MISSION

The *Society for Immune Polymorphism* is an international membership organization of scientists and clinicians dedicated to understanding the **genetic and functional variation of the vertebrate immune system** and the role played by this variation in evolutionary biology, disease and health.



### 2022

In the last quarter of 2022, the initial Board of Directors was elected and appointed, and the Society's bylaws were adopted.

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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### 2022



The Society organized the **Genetic and Functional Variation of the Vertebrate Immune System** pre-meeting symposium, showcasing thirteen speakers at the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual ASHI Meeting in Las Vegas, Nevada.



## 2023

This year, the Society incorporated, the final two Directors were appointed, and the society held three events.

**April**: The Society organized the **Advances in Clinical Immunogenomics** Joint Session at the 36<sup>th</sup> European Immunogenetics and Histocompatibility Meeting in Nantes, France.



**October**: The Society organized Plenary Session II, **MHC Genomics – How Evolutionary Diversity of the MHC May Have Clinical Relevance**, at the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual ASHI Meeting in San Antonio, Texas.

**November**: The Society held its first educational webinar, **Best Practices for Manuscript Review**, providing insight and editorial expertise into the peerreview process for scientific manuscripts.



### COMING IN 2024

The Society is organizing a special issue of *Frontiers in Immunology*, titled **A New Perspective in Immune Polymorphism**, focused on the HLA, KIR and LILR genes, which will be published in 2024.

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### A New Perspective in Immune Polymorphism (The HLA, KIR, and LILR genes

This Frontiers in Immunology Research Topic is intended to showcase new and ongoing research that advances our understanding of the following subtopics:

- The roles played by the HLA, KIR and LILR genes in human health and their therapeutic applications.
- To underscore the need for the integrated analysis of these genes for advancing understanding of the immune system.

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# SOCIETY COMPOSITION

The Society currently includes 148 members from 10 European nations, four Asian nations, two North American nations, one South American nation, one African nation and one Pacific nation, with academic, industrial and clinical affiliations.

Members range in experience from graduate student and post-doctoral researcher to research director, professor and laboratory director, with a variety of clinical, therapeutic and research interests.



## MEMBERSHIP

Society membership is open to all persons interested in the advancement of the Society's Mission.

Those with expertise in immune polymorphism research or clinical applications of immune polymorphism research may join the society as **Full Members.** Those who are interested in learning about and gaining experience in the field of Immune Polymorphism are welcome to join the Society as **Trainee Members**.

Collection of **membership dues** will begin in March of 2024. Annual membership dues are \$100 US for Full Members, \$40 US for post-doctoral Trainee Members, and \$20 US for pre-doctoral Trainee Members. Membership applications from upper-middle income nations can be discounted by 50%, and those from low-middle-income and low-income nations can be discounted by 100% upon request.