

News from Scandiatransplant office

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Introduction

It has been proposed by the STAMP group and the Tissue Typers Group to change the STAMP protocol by adding HLA-C in the deceased donor typing. This due to the fact that the STAMP committee has reported problems with patients having antibodies against the HLA-C antigens. This proposal was accepted at the Scandiatransplant Representative meeting May 9, 2012. http://www.scandiatransplant.org/about-scandiatransplant/scandiatransplant-representatives/Minutes_rep.2012_2.pdf

The facilities related to HLA-C were implemented in the database June 18, 2012.

It is recommended to start **using HLA-C in search from September 3, 2012**, as the tissue typing labs need to have a period to update HLA-C on patients already accepted to the STAMP program.

Purpose

By this information letter we wish to communicate to you about the office status and progress within the system, collaboration with groups related to Scandiatransplant and ongoing working projects.

We hope that you will read it and share the information with whom it might concern. As always don't hesitate to contact us for further information, ideas, problems and help.

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1. Recipient search

10.100.30.35 - Sc35 - SSH Secure Shell

SCANDIATRANSPLANT 1/6 2501

SEARCH FACILITIES

<http://www.scandiatransplant.org/man/2501.htm>

DONOR DATA:

Donor Number _____

Nationality _____

Person Number _____ ABO _____

Donor Name or Identification _____

SEARCH PROFILE

Date of birth ABO _____

HLA detailed: HLA-A HLA-B HLA-Cw HLA-DR HLA-DQ HLA-Bw

HLA for match: HLA-A HLA-B HLA-Cw HLA-DR HLA-DQ

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From September 3, 2012 it will be possible to enter HLA-C when doing a search to find a suitable recipient for deceased donor kidneys. It is recommended that all centers begin using HLA-C for match from this date of. HLA-C is as DQ only used in the STAMP matching algorithm.

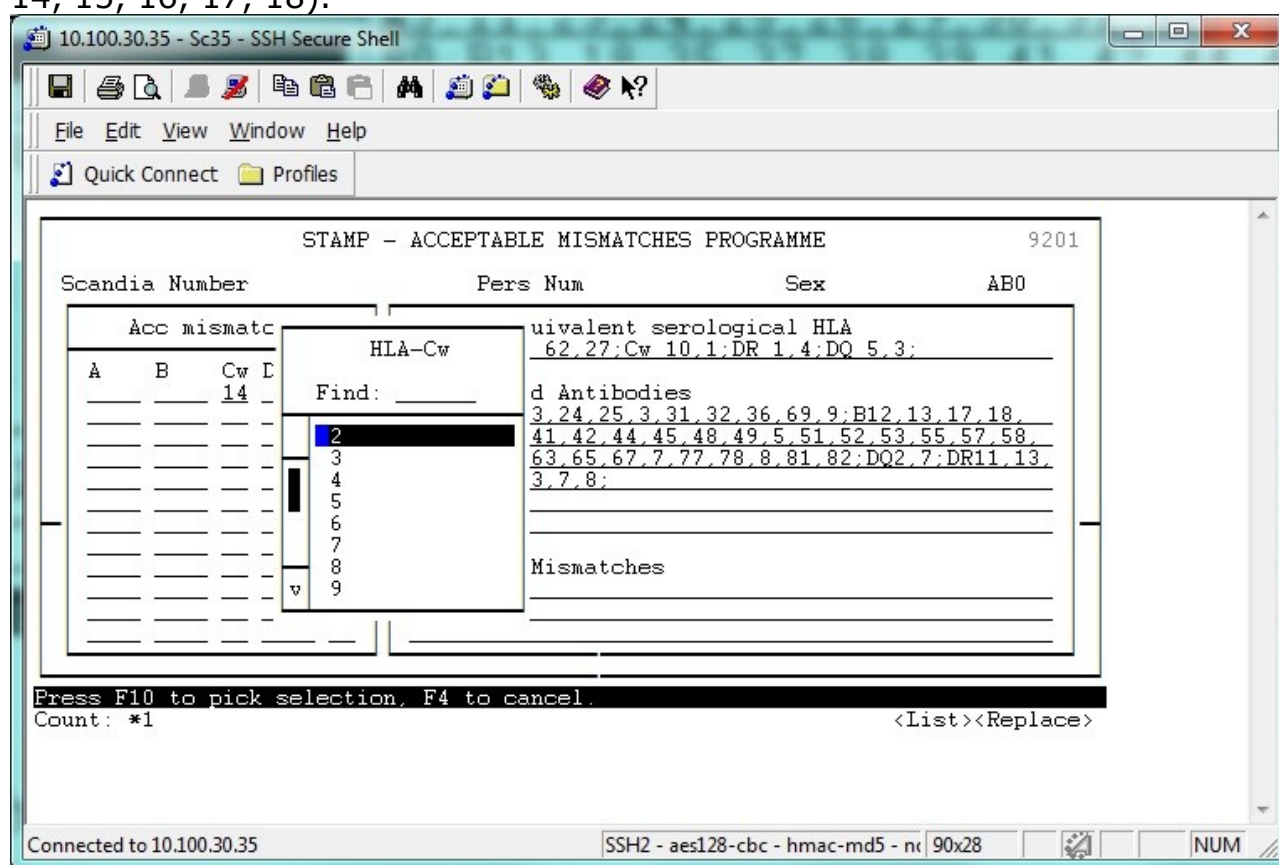
Remember always to use the most specified HLA type in search. In connection with HLA-C it concerns Cw3(9) and Cw3(10), were you should always use Cw9 or 10 in search.

2. Updating of existing STAMP records

It is very **important** that all **present STAMP patients are updated before September 3, 2012** with HLA C in the database - both with their own HLA-C type and with C antigens as acceptable mismatches.

If a search for a recipient is done with e.g. Cw1 and this antigen has not been registered as the patients own HLA or as an acceptable mismatches no match will be found.

Concerning patients that can accept transplants with all C antigens, please add the whole Cw list as acceptable mismatches (Cw1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18).



Centers that previously have removed B antigens due to HLA-C and B linkage might consider to re-evaluate their patients, **after** September 3, 2012, to include those B antigens previously removed.

Remember if acceptable mismatches are added to a record on a patient already accepted to STAMP please notify and specify the changes to the STAMP committee.

3. Own HLA-C and DQ as acceptable mismatch

One more thing that have been implemented along with HLA-C is that it is no longer necessary to add patient own DQ (and also C) as acceptable mismatch when creating the STAMP record - they are automatically included.

4. Local Acceptable Mismatch Program (LAMP)

The centers having patients on LAMP must remember that updating of HLA-C also applies for this group of patients.

5. What is new on the web page

A new and more modern web page is estimated to be ready August 15, 2012, but until then the old web page is still updated.....

Scandiatransplant Travel Grant 2013:

<http://www.scandiatransplant.org/resources/grants/scandiatransplant-travel-grant>

Minutes from meetings:

Scandiatransplant board

http://www.scandiatransplant.org/about-scandiatransplant/scandiatransplant-board/Sctp%20board%20nr%2063.pdf/at_download/file

Scandiatransplant council of representatives

http://www.scandiatransplant.org/about-scandiatransplant/scandiatransplant-representatives/Minutes_rep_2012_2.pdf

We, at the Scandiatransplant office,
wish you all a wonderful summer

