



## Preface

Treatment strategies for haematological and oncological diseases such as acute and chronic leukaemias, lymphomas and solid tumours emerged more than three decades ago by new treatment modalities such as autologous and allogeneic bone marrow and/or stem cell transplantation.

New concepts of cell therapy continue to grow rapidly expanding into numerous innovative treatment modalities such as graft-versus-leukaemia effect in association with adoptive immunotherapy in stem cell disorders, novel approaches to gene transfer and gene therapy by utilising new methodologies. The intention of this supplement is to provide novel information from leading investigators covering new approaches to haemopoietic stem cell transplantation, cellular immunotherapy including gene therapy concepts.

This supplement of the 2nd International Symposium on Transplantation and Gene Therapy might be the first volume of a series providing help bridging the gap between experimental and clinical investigations in a fascinating field of medicine and cellular biology.

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