

# Poster 201: Resolving Anti-HLA Specific Complexities Using Phenotype Beads: A Dual Assay Consideration

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## Rationale

- Single antigen testing often shows well-characterized patterns of reactivity even in patients not exposed to HLA antigens which present important challenges for clinical interpretation
- It is critical to determine precise reactivity since erroneous specificities may falsely elevate the patient cPRA and potentially preclude transplantation without biological cause.

## Objective

- To deconvolute single antigen reactivity patterns by comparing the **One Lambda LABScreen Single Antigen Bead (OLSAB)** assay (which uses recombinant protein bonded in a manufacturing process that may lead to denatured HLA molecules) with **Immucor LIFECODES ID beads (IMID)** kit (that employs EBV transformed cell lines expressing phenotypic protein bonded to beads with normal cellular protein formation and expression)

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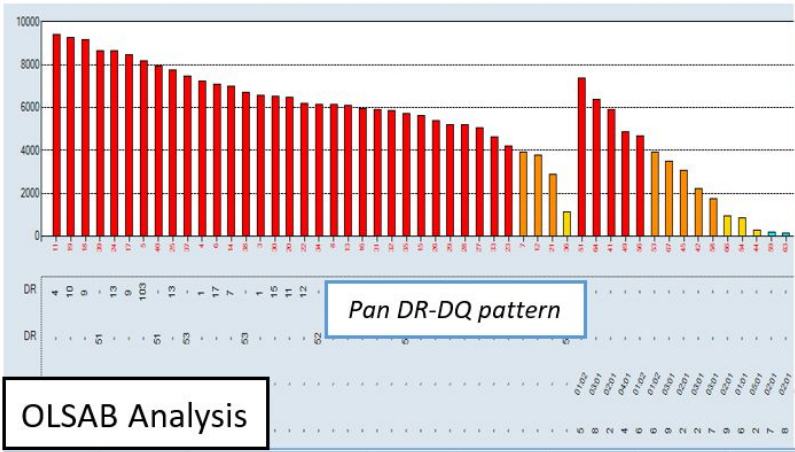
- Sera showing non-specific patterns of reactivity at HLA class I (n=16) and class II (n=20) on OLSAB were selected
- These were classified into the spurious patterns and analyzed using CREG groups and epitope analysis on MatchMaker
- All sera were tested again using the IMID kit and surrogate

Allele	Panel	Pos	MFI	248M	1C 27% 3/11	184H 20% 3/15	76VS 20% 2/10	267PE 20% 3/15	21H 20% 1/5	69RT 18% 2/11
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B*15:12	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	286							
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Cw1 12 15 pattern

HLA Fusion MatchMaker Analysis

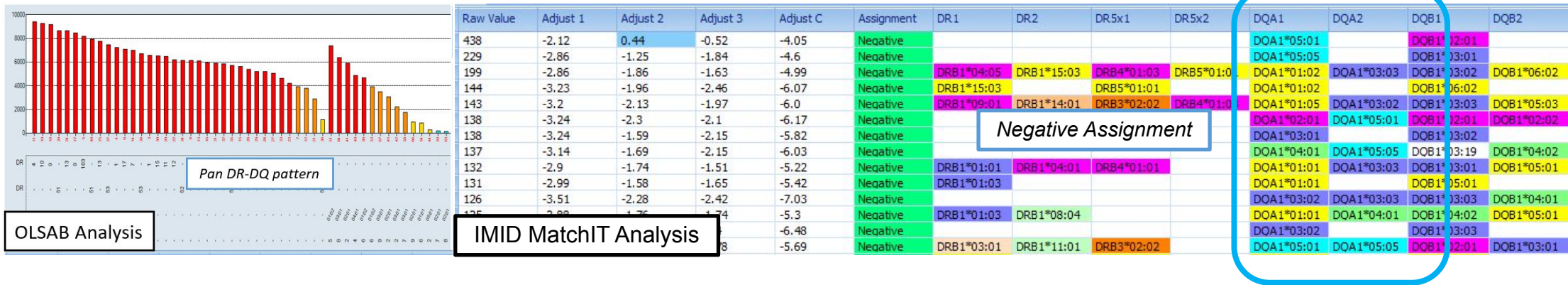
Class I Patterns	Class II Patterns
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A80 or B76 alone</li> <li>• Cw*1, 12, 15</li> <li>• High background reactivity</li> <li>• Pan C</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DPB1*1, 5, DR53</li> <li>• Pan DR ± DQ</li> <li>• DQA1*01:03/DQB1*06:03</li> <li>• High background reactivity</li> <li>• DQA1*05:01/DQB1*02:01</li> </ul>



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- IMID MatchIt software Tail End analysis often showed 0% PRA and no particular antigen groupings with low MFI reactivity
- The IMID kit includes additional DQA specificities to confirm or rule out questionable reactivity



## Conclusion

IMID kits help to deconvolute many of the complex, non-specific patterns of reactivity seen on OLSAB and may better reveal biological interactions.

