

UCSD Immunology Journal Club 2011-12

- The selected paper should be of general interest to the field of immunology.
- To ensure that everyone has adequate time to review the paper, the presenter should send the paper and supplemental figures as a PDF to changj@ucsd.edu on the Thursday one week before s/he is scheduled to present. The paper and supplemental figures will then be posted at <http://chanlab.ucsd.edu/immunology/Pages/ImmunologyJournalClub2011-2012.aspx> and sent out to the Immunology Listserv.
- If a presenter cannot make his/her scheduled date, s/he must find someone to switch with. No cancellations.

Suggested guidelines for presentation:

- Discuss why the paper is an important advance for the field.
- State the overall question that was addressed in the paper before discussing specific experiments.
- Present sufficient background for everyone to understand the importance of the question underlying the paper and to understand the experiments.
- Critically discuss each of the experiments in the paper, making sure to always refer back to what aspect of the overall question of the paper is addressed by the experiment. What conclusions do the authors draw from each experiment? Is it supported by the experimental observations? Are there alternative experiments that could or should have been done to back up the conclusion? Are the experiments well controlled? Regular figures can be skipped if they are not central to the overall conclusions of the paper, and supplemental figures should be discussed if they provide important observations or controls for the paper.
- Present the overall conclusion of the paper - preferably as a figure. Discuss whether the overall conclusion is fully supported or whether other experiments could or should have been done. Discuss why the conclusion is important to the field.
- Discuss the new questions/directions raised by the study.