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**Paul I. Terasaki: a Time for Remembrance**

For my entire career, Paul Terasaki has been a presence, a force for change and progress, dedicated to understanding what actually happens to people with transplants and to changing their care.

I first met Paul about 1973 when I was studying in London, and he came to London as a visiting celebrity scientist. He was already the dominant force in issues concerning cross-matching, the benefits of HLA matching in kidney transplantation, and the immunogenetics of HLA. Through the years, I have watched him contribute many milestone publications to our field and related areas of medicine. It is impossible to imagine the last 50 years of transplantation without Paul Terasaki, and his presentations were always the highlight of major transplant congress. Paul always had focus, avoiding popular fads that promised quick solutions, and choosing instead the longer road of acquiring and analyzing data from patients in the relentless pursuit of truth. He had an instinct for what was real, established through rigorous research, and expounded beautifully in his papers and talks.

On a personal note, I had the opportunity to meet with him in venues in many parts of the world, and enormously enjoyed his company. Paul was like a gentle, steady wind, filling the sails of those who were adrift in the quest to understand transplantation, giving them energy, commitment, and direction. I will never forget his warm personality, gentle smiles, kindness, and steady leadership, qualities that enabled him to recruit many people to work together in a common cause.

More than anyone else in transplantation, he kept alive the interest in antibody, which had arisen with Peter Gorer, whom he had met during his time in England. During the decades when the vast majority of immunologists considered HLA antibody an epiphenomenon, Paul steadfastly pursued its link with outcomes.

No other person contributed as much to progress in organ transplantation as Paul Terasaki. While we will miss him very much, we should celebrate his legacy: the million people in the world who have successful organ transplants and the tools that he left us to continue to understand their problems and improve their care. When we reflect on how best to thank him and keep his memory alive, we should concentrate on continuing his work. That is what I think he would want us to do.

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