

# Exhibit 519

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## Expert Report of Richard F. Ambinder, MD, PhD

I have been asked to prepare this report in response to the United States' request for my opinion as a medical oncologist specializing in lymphoma and hematologic cell transplantation as to the cause of Robert Kidd's diffuse large B-cell non-Hodgkin lymphoma. Based on my review of the record and Mr. Kidd's case history, I conclude that it is unlikely that Mr. Kidd's exposure to contamination in water at Camp Lejeune, where he was intermittently stationed between January 1981 and July 1983, caused him to develop diffuse large B-cell lymphoma in 2011. In my opinion, the origin of Mr. Kidd's diffuse large B-cell lymphoma is idiopathic.

### Qualifications

I am a board-certified medical oncologist specializing in lymphoma and hematologic cell transplantation. I lead the Hematologic Malignancies and Bone Marrow Transplant Program at the Johns Hopkins Oncology Center and the Lymphoma Clinical Service at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. I am a full professor with an endowed chair: the James B. Murphy Professor of Oncology. I graduated from Harvard College with a Bachelor of Arts degree with honors and the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine with an M.D. degree, again with honors. I earned a Ph.D. in Pharmacology at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, and I trained in Internal Medicine and Medical Oncology at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. I am board-certified in Internal Medicine and in Medical Oncology. I have received many honors including the Leukemia Lymphoma Society Scholar Award and the Stohlman Scholar Award. In addition, I am a member of two honorary societies: the American Society for Clinical Investigation, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. While each of these awards and honors are somewhat different, they all attest to the quality of the research that I have done in the field of lymphoma. I have published many chapters in medical textbooks focused on lymphoma and its treatment, including in UpToDate. I am an organizer of national and international meetings, give lectures at national and international meetings, and lead many lymphoma-focused grants. I have been awarded research grants from the National Cancer Institute totaling more than 25 million dollars over the years, including 8 million dollars for studies related to the diagnosis of lymphoma for the years 2023-2028.

I teach courses for medical students and graduate students in the Johns Hopkins Medical School, and lecture in courses in the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health and the Johns Hopkins School of Nursing. I have led the Lymphoma Clinical Service at Johns Hopkins since 1995. I supervise the clinic at which lymphoma patients are seen at Johns Hopkins, and the clinical training of resident physicians and hematology and oncology fellows in the treatment of lymphoma. I also lecture in courses to update community oncologists and internists. I treat patients in clinic and consult on questions from physicians in the community relating to lymphoma. I served on the National Cancer Center Network guideline panels that make recommendations for the diagnosis and treatment of cancer including panels focused on non-Hodgkin lymphoma, Hodgkin lymphoma, and AIDS malignancies. I also sit on the National Cancer Institute Lymphoma Steering Committee that helps prioritize clinical research studies.

My current curriculum vitae is attached as Appendix A. It includes a list of my publications for the last ten years and a list of all other cases in which, during the previous four years, I have testified as an expert at trial or by deposition.

## Preparations & Methodology

I base these opinions on my review of relevant literature and case materials, including the complaint filed by Mr. Kidd, medical records, deposition transcripts, medical literature relating to causes of lymphoma, and expert reports submitted by both the United States and plaintiffs' counsel. In reaching my opinions, I relied on my clinical experience in the care of patients with lymphoma and other hematologic malignancies; my experience investigating the biology and the epidemiology of lymphomas in the laboratory and in clinical, pharmacologic and epidemiologic studies, and on my reviews of the scientific and medical literature. Additionally, I employed a differential diagnostic approach to systematically consider and exclude known causes of non-Hodgkin lymphoma.

My opinion relies on the United States' general causation report by Goodman, *Trichloroethylene, Perchloroethylene, Benzene, Vinyl Chloride, and trans-1,2-DCE Exposure and NHL Risk*, February 7, 2025; and the United States's specific exposure and risk assessment reports for Mr. Kidd, *Expert Report of Judy S. LaKind*, April 8, 2025; *Expert Report of Dr. Lisa Bailey*, April 8, 2025. My opinion also considers the United States' general causation reports by McCabe, *General Causation Report Camp LeJeune Water Volatile Organic Chemicals and Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma and Leukemia*, February 7, 2025; Lipscomb, *Expert Report of John C. Lipscomb*, February 7, 2025, and Shields, *General Causation*, February 7, 2025). I have also reviewed the January 20, 2017, ATSDR Public Health Assessment for Camp Lejeune Drinking Water, United States Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, and the report by Dr. Hu that was submitted by plaintiffs' counsel.

## Compensation

I charge \$700 per hour for case review and \$1,000 per hour for deposition testimony, and travel expenses.

## Background Information

Lymphomas are cancers of lymphocytes[1]. There are several classification systems: World Health Organization (WHO)[2] and the International Consensus Classification (ICC)[3] have each published classifications in 2022. Malignant cells proliferate and accumulate in lymph nodes or extranodal tissues. When the proliferation/accumulation occurs in solid masses this is typically referred to as lymphoma. When the proliferation/accumulation is primarily in the blood, it is typically referred to as leukemia. As elaborated below, many entities may involve solid masses and blood and so the classification system of lymphoma, leukemia and some related lymphoid related diseases overlaps.

Hodgkin lymphoma (HL) and non-Hodgkin lymphoma (NHL) are the two main types of lymphoma. HL is characterized by the presence of Reed-Sternberg cells, which

are recognized by their distinctive appearance. NHL lack Reed-Sternberg cells and have a different appearance under the microscope. NHL is subclassified based on the cell of origin (B-cell, T-cell, NK-cell), the patterns of arrangements of cells under the microscope (which we refer to as histological features), and genetic characteristics such as chromosomal translocations and specific mutations. More than 60 types of NHL are recognized including chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL).

Each type of lymphoma has distinct characteristics, and the prognosis and treatment options vary depending on the specific type and stage of the disease.

### **Incidence**

NHL accounts for approximately 4% of cancer diagnoses in the US[4]. B-cell NHL comprise 85-90% of NHL cases. There are approximately 100,000 new cases B-cell NHL, including CLL, diagnosed in the U.S. each year[5]. The lifetime risk of developing B-cell NHL is approximately 2%.

### **Pathogenesis**

In terms of pathogenesis, it is important to understand a bit about B lymphocytes, what they do and how they develop [6]. B-cells may be likened to factories that produce antibodies, which are special proteins that help fight off diverse invaders like viruses and bacteria. In order to generate antibody diversity, B cells undergo somatic hypermutation and class switch recombination during their development. These processes involve breaking and rejoining of DNA strands which create opportunities for genetic errors that can lead to development of lymphomas.

Chromosomal translocations where chromosomes break and rejoin other chromosomes are frequently identified in B-NHL. These translocations often involve the immunoglobulin loci and various genes that regulate cell proliferation and cell death. Follicular lymphoma, Burkitt lymphoma and mantle cell lymphoma all have associated characteristic chromosomal translocations. These translocations are thought to result from errors in normal developmental processes that involve breaking and rejoining DNA strands. In addition to translocations, the processes for generating antibody diversity also lead to mutations. The enzyme that produces these mutations usually acts on particular regions of the immunoglobulin genes but can act on distant genes and, in so doing, also contribute to lymphoma development.

### **Staging.**

It is standard practice to assess how widespread the lymphoma is at presentation and whether there are specific symptoms associated with the lymphoma[7]. This is called staging. Lymphomas are typically staged according to the **Ann Arbor staging system**.

- Stage I:** Involvement of a single lymphatic area (e.g., one lymph node region or one extranodal site).
- Stage II:** Involvement of two or more lymph node regions on the same side of the diaphragm, or one lymph node region and a nearby extranodal site.
- Stage III:** Involvement of lymph node regions on both sides of the diaphragm,

which may also include the spleen or a nearby extranodal site.

**Stage IV:** Disseminated involvement of one or more extranodal organs, such as the bone marrow, liver, or lungs, in addition to lymph node involvement.

When there is direct extension from a lymph node to an extra-lymphatic site such as bone, that is referred to as an E-lesion.

### Performance Status

The functional or performance status of patients is typically evaluated at the beginning and during therapy[8]. Several different scales are often used, but among the most widely used is the ECOG (Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group) performance status. It is a scale to measure the patient's ability to perform daily activities.

#### **ECOG Performance Status Scale**

- 0: Fully active:** Able to carry on all pre-disease performance without restriction
- 1: Restricted in physically strenuous activity:** Ambulatory and able to carry out work of a light or sedentary nature (e.g., light housework, office work)
- 2: Ambulatory and capable of all self-care:** Unable to carry out any work activities. Up and about more than 50% of waking hours
- 3: Capable of only limited self-care:** Confined to bed or chair more than 50% of waking hours
- 4: Completely disabled:** Cannot carry on any self-care. Totally confined to bed or chair
- 5: Death**

### Causation

In most instances the causes of NHL are poorly understood [9]. Genetic mutations are associated with many cancers including lymphomas. These mutations may be inherited or may develop specifically in the cells that will ultimately become cancerous. There is increased risk of lymphoma in people with first degree relatives (parent, child, sibling) with lymphoma but most people with lymphoma do not have first degree relatives with lymphoma. When there are family members with lymphoma, typically predisposing mutations are not identified but there are exceptions [10]. Thus, individuals with the Li-Fraumeni syndrome (mutations in TP53) inherit a predisposition to lymphoma, although other cancers are much more common in this syndrome [11]. Similarly, mutations in BRCA1 and 2 have also been linked to increased risk of lymphoma, especially in children and adolescents—but these mutations are more commonly linked to breast and ovarian cancer.

When causes of lymphoma are known, they are often associated with particular types of lymphoma rather than lymphoma in general. Consider Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) [12]. This virus was first discovered in African Burkitt lymphoma, a specific type of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. Because viral DNA is consistently found in African Burkitt lymphoma

cells, it is generally accepted that the virus is a cause of African Burkitt lymphoma. However, the story is much more complicated.

We know that almost all adults worldwide (>90%) are infected by EBV, and once infected, the virus never leaves the body. We also know that if you test the saliva of a general population on any given day, approximately 40% will be shedding the virus in their saliva. What seems to make children in certain regions of Africa especially susceptible to this lymphoma is that they live in areas where almost everyone has malaria. How malaria, the virus, and perhaps other factors interact to cause the tumor is a subject of ongoing research, but the answers aren't very clear.

What is clear is that most people diagnosed with lymphoma have this cancer-causing virus in their bodies[13]. However, the virus isn't the cause of most lymphomas; it is associated with only a small subset. This subset doesn't represent a percentage of all the different types of lymphomas but relates to particular types of lymphoma. For example, in people living with HIV before the advent of effective antiretroviral therapy, the risk of lymphomas of the brain (primary central nervous system lymphomas) was increased hundreds or thousands of times[14]. These lymphomas always carried EBV. However, in people without HIV, these lymphomas are very rarely associated with the virus. Moreover, most lymphomas in the world are not related to EBV, even though most people in the world are infected by the virus.

HIV infection and Hepatitis C are two other viral infections linked to B cell lymphomas[15, 16]. There is a broad consensus that splenic marginal zone lymphomas may be hepatitis C related but there are some investigators who believe that virtually any sort of B-cell NHL may be hepatitis C related. Other NHL that involve T cells are associated with a virus called HTLV1[17]. This is a virus that is prevalent in very specific geographic regions (certain areas of Japan, central Africa, Caribbean islands, certain native populations in South America). Among individuals who have been infected by this virus, approximately 2-5% will develop adult T-cell leukemia/lymphoma. Worldwide, most T-cell NHL is not associated with this virus.

Breast implant-associated anaplastic large cell lymphoma is a rare lymphoma that is associated with particular types of breast implants [18]. This type of lymphoma only occurs in people with breast implants—but the great majority of people with breast implants never develop this type of lymphoma.

A few B-cell NHL types have been linked to bacterial infection, most notably gastric MALT lymphoma, which is linked to *Helicobacter pylori* [19]. Infection with this bacteria, which lives in the stomach, is usually not associated with symptoms or disease, and more than 40% of the adult population is infected by the bacteria [20]. When infection with this bacteria causes symptoms, these are usually ulcers. But in a tiny fraction of those infected, MALT lymphoma of the stomach develops. Often these lymphomas can be treated and even cured with antibiotics. Most MALT lymphomas of the stomach are associated with this bacteria [21]. However, MALT lymphomas occurring elsewhere in the body are not associated with this bacteria and treatment with



antibiotics to eradicate this bacteria have no effect on these other lymphomas. This is despite the fact that many people with MALT lymphomas outside the stomach are also infected by the bacteria.

When considering age as a risk factor for lymphoma, the particular type of lymphoma is important. For example, while it is true that diffuse large B cell lymphoma occurs more commonly as people age (median age 67 with 30% of patients are older than 75)[22, 23], the same cannot be said for primary mediastinal B cell lymphoma which usually occurs in younger patients (median age 37)[24]. And Burkitt lymphoma in equatorial Africa occurs mainly in children ages 3-15[25].

The same is true for sex [26]. Primary mediastinal B cell lymphoma is less common in men than women (0.71 incidence ratio) while diffuse large B cell lymphoma is more common in men than women (1.56 incidence ratio).

With regard to studies of environmental exposures to benzene, trichloroethylene, perchloroethylene, and vinyl chloride, I have relied on the expert report prepared by Dr. Goodman. In particular, I would call attention to the fact that among the four studies that evaluated NHL risk at Camp Lejeune, there were no consistent associations reported for NHL overall or any specific type of lymphoma.

As these examples demonstrate, when trying to identify the cause of a lymphoma, it is essential to consider the specific type of lymphoma and the evidence that the virus is associated with that specific type. The oversimplification that all lymphomas or all NHL share the same causation leads to serious errors. See Expert Report of Michael McCabe (February 2025) at pp. 26-27.

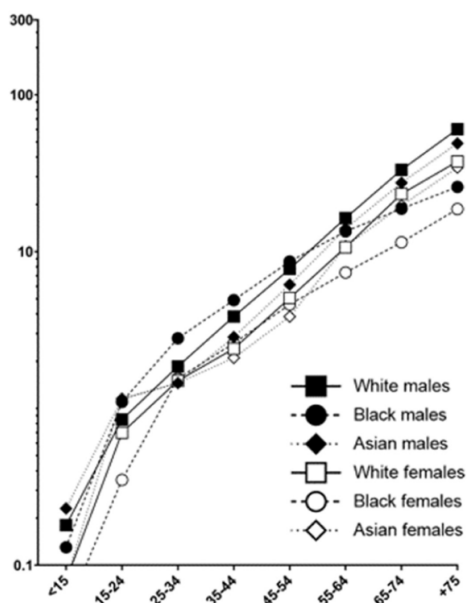
### Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma (DLBCL)

DLBCL is the most common lymphoma in the United States [27]. It is estimated that there are 77,240 new cases of NHL in the United States annually and that 30-40% are DLBCL. A recent review listed established risk factors for DLBCL in a table reproduced below as Exhibit 1[28].

Established risk factors for DLBCL	
Risk factors	Risk association
	* = OR <2.0
	*** = OR >2.0
Family and person history	
Family history for any heme malignancy	*
Family history of DLBCL	***
Personal history of cancer	*
Genetic susceptibility	*
Inherited immunodeficiency syndrome	***
Organ transplants	***
Autoimmune conditions	*
Sjogren's syndrome	***
Systemic lupus erythematosus	***
Rheumatoid arthritis	*
Infections	
HIV	***
KSHV/HHV8	*
HCV	*
HBV	*
Anthropometric measures	
Adult BMI	*
Young adult BMI	*

**Exhibit 1: Established Risk Factors for DLBCL**

The same review indicates that the risk of developing DLBCL increases with age as shown in Exhibit 2 below [28].



**Exhibit 2: Incidence of DLBCL by Age**

People with compromised immune systems are at a higher risk of developing DLBCL[28]. Among them are transplant recipients, people on immunosuppressive medications, and people with genetic immunodeficiency syndromes. Also people with some autoimmune disease such as Sjogren syndrome, systemic lupus erythematosus, rheumatoid arthritis[29].

Certain infections are also linked with risk of DLBCL[28]. Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) and Kaposi sarcoma herpesvirus (KSHV, also known as HHV8) are linked with DLBCL, especially in conjunction with HIV infection or other immunocompromise. As shown in Exhibit 1 above, the risk associated with HIV is particularly high. The risk of DLBCL in HIV patients is 10.3-fold greater than in the general population. Before there was effective antiretroviral therapy it was estimated to be 650-fold greater. Hepatitis C virus (HCV) has also been linked to DLBCL with a recent estimate of a 2.7-fold increased risk. Bacterial infection with *Helicobacter pylori* is specifically related to gastric lymphoma.

Family history of DLBCL or other lymphoid malignancy is also associated with increased risk[29].

Obesity is a risk factor[28-30]. In a multivariate model to predict the risk for diffuse non-Hodgkin's lymphoma in patients with a high BMI (>35 kg/m<sup>2</sup>), compared with a normal BMI (<25 kg/m<sup>2</sup>), the OR was 2.15 (CI, 1.09–4.25) [31].

Autoimmune conditions are associated with increased risk of lymphoma [32, 33]. These include rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren syndrome, and autoimmune thyroid disease. A study of patients with autoimmune thyroid diseases showed that 7% developed lymphoma with DLBCL being the most common.

With regard to the hypothesis that exposure to certain chemicals and substances may increase the risk of DLBCL, I have relied upon the report from Goodman, who concluded that there was no consistent association reported for DLBCL and such exposures.

#### *Prognostic Factors*

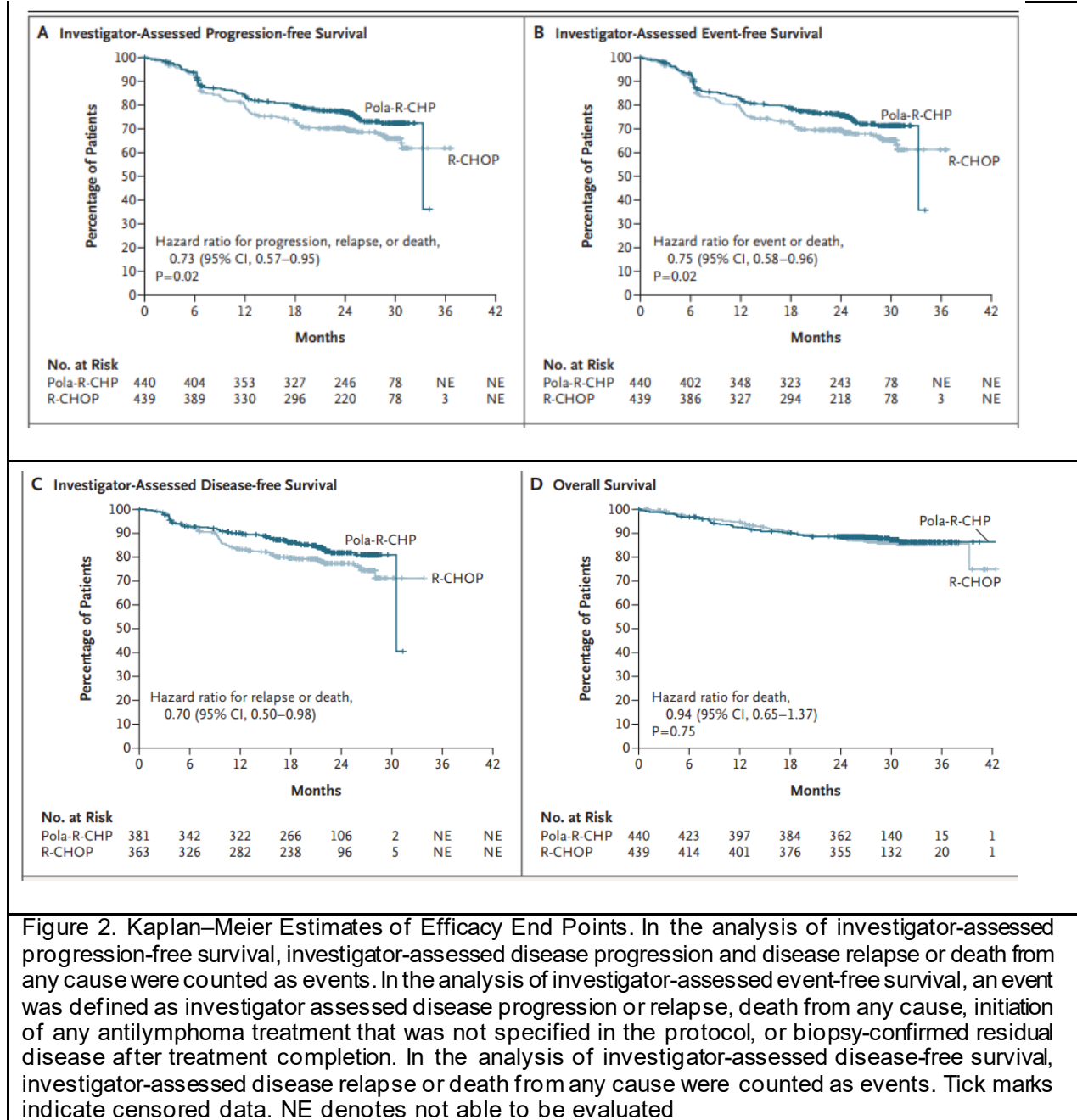
Analysis of patients treated with RCHOP led to a prognostic classification referred to as the Revised International Prognostic Index (R-IPI)[34] that is widely used to assess DLBCL risk groups. Patients are divided into 3 risk groups according to number of risk factors. Risk factors are age >60, elevated LDH, Ann Arbor stage III/IV disease, ECOG performance status ≥2, and >1 extranodal involvement site, as shown in Exhibit 3.

Risk Group	4-year progression-free survival, overall survival
Very Good (0 factors)	94%, 94%
Good (1-2 factors)	80%, 79%
Poor (3-5 factors)	53%, 55%

**Exhibit 3: Revised International Prognostic Index DLBCL Risk Groups**

## Treatment

DLBCL is often curable with combination chemotherapy and sometimes with radiation or chemotherapy combined with radiation [27]. A standard chemotherapy is R-CHOP (rituximab, cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, vincristine, and prednisone)[35]. Each of these drugs except the prednisone is administered intravenously. Typically, there is one treatment every 3 weeks (one cycle) for a total of 6 to 8 cycles. There are some variations that are also used for treatment involving many of the same drugs. One of these is Pola R CHP which is approved for patients with IPI  $\geq 2$  [36]. Outcomes are shown below in Exhibit 4.



## Exhibit 4: Kaplan-Meier Estimates of Efficacy End Points by Treatment

For those who fail to achieve a complete remission (disappearance of all evidence of tumor on physical exam and scans) or who relapse, there are further therapies to try to achieve cure or slow down the progression of the lymphoma [27]. These may involve more combination chemotherapies with other agents, hematopoietic cell transplantation, genetically manipulated T cells that attack the tumor, and bispecific antibodies. Many of these approaches to treatment are new within the last several years and the outlook for patients with these lymphomas who have failed initial therapy has substantially improved very recently.

When tumor is no longer apparent on physical exam and by imaging studies, we refer to that as “remission”. Among those who achieve and maintain remission for 2 years with RCHOP, achieving event-free survival at 24 months, the cumulative risk of relapse at 5 years is 9.3%, and at 8 years, 10.3%[37].

### Robert Kidd’s Pertinent Medical History

Mr. Kidd was first at Camp Lejeune in January 1981 with his last exposure in October 1983. Specifically, he was stationed at Camp Lejeune from January 1981 through September 1981, February 1982 through February 1983, and again from June 1983 through July 1983, with overseas deployments in the interim. Mr. Kidd lived in the barracks at Hadnot Point before moving to an apartment near the barracks for two months prior to discharge from Camp Lejeune. He also lived at Camp Geiger for a period of his time at Camp Lejeune.

In 2009, Mr. Kidd, with history of hypertension and hyperlipidemia, began to experience back pain. He developed hip pain in summer, 2010. He saw a chiropractor who ordered imaging studies including an MRI on July 6, 2010, that showed a destructive process involving the left ileum with extension into adjacent soft tissues that led to referral to the VA Hospital in Lexington. Further imaging with CT scan on July 12, 2010, showed a destructive left iliac lesion with several areas of lymphadenopathy below the diaphragm. Ultimately, a CT-guided biopsy of the left iliac bone was performed on August 11th, 2010, and showed diffuse large B-cell lymphoma.

Initially Mr. Kidd declined urgent treatment indicating that he believed that his religious faith would be sufficient to heal him.

A PET scan was performed on August 26, 2010, which did not reveal any areas of lymphomatous involvement other than those seen previously by CT. He was Ann Arbor staged as bulky stage I or IIE disease (with the E indicating bony involvement by direct extension), with all disease on one side of the diaphragm.

After further consideration, Mr. Kidd agreed to begin chemotherapy treatment and was started on standard treatment with the RCHOP regimen on September 9, 2010. He received 6 cycles. The last cycle was administered on December 23, 2010. Treatment was associated with change in taste, nausea, weakness and hair loss. Follow-up PET-CT scan on January 18th, 2011, showed no evidence of residual disease. He completed radiation therapy (3600cGy) to the left ileum (a bone in the pelvis) on February 17, 2011.

His hair returned and other symptoms resolved.

Mr. Kidd's medical history prior to diagnosis of lymphoma is notable for an automobile accident in 2009, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, and obesity with BMI of 27.7 at the time of lymphoma diagnosis.

## Opinion

Mr. Kidd's lymphoma was diagnosed as DLBCL. The lymphoma responded to chemotherapy and he achieved complete remission. DLBCL is usually cured with chemotherapy of the sort that Mr. Kidd got with 3 year overall survival rates ranging from 59% to 91% in a recent review[38]. However late relapses can occur. Among those who achieve and maintain remission for 2 years, achieving event-free survival at 24 months, the cumulative risk of relapse at 5 years is 9.3%, and at 8 years, 10.3%[37]. In the unlikely event that relapse should occur, further therapy would not include RCHOP but might include a variety of other chemotherapies including bispecific antibodies, CAR T cells, autologous or allogeneic stem cell transplant and other new drugs. There is no indication for any of these therapies at present.

In terms of the consequences of chemotherapy for Mr. Kidd, temporary hair loss as he experienced is routine and anxieties about relapse are common.

With regard to risk factors, Mr. Kidd did not have evidence of an underlying immune disorder, infection associated with lymphoma, or family history of lymphoma. However, he was obese which has clearly been identified as a risk factor for DLBCL, and he was typical of DLBCL in being an adult male.

With regard to Mr. Kidd's specific risk from exposure to chemicals in water at Camp Lejeune, I have relied upon the reports from LaKind, who estimated Mr. Kidd's exposure, and Bailey, who used LaKind's exposure estimate to evaluate risk. Bailey concluded that "at the highest potential exposure for Mr. Kidd, and applying conservative, health-protective assumptions, Mr. Kidd's exposures to chemicals in the Camp Lejeune drinking water did not increase his overall cancer risk by more than  $8 \times 10^{-5}$  (i.e., 0.008% or 8 cancer cases in 100,000 exposed people)." Bailey report at page 35. It follows that based on Bailey's risk assessment, Mr. Kidd's background risk of B lymphoma was about 250 times higher than his increased risk of *all* cancers from exposures at Camp Lejeune.

I add that none of these alleged exposures have been convincingly linked to DLBCL in either clinical studies or animal models. Please see literature reviews by Goodman and McCabe in this regard.

With regards to Dr. Hu's comments on differential etiology, i.e., what risk factors might have contributed to DLBCL, Dr. Hu relies on elimination rather than evidence-based causation. He considers a variety of etiologies that have not been linked to most DLBCL, rules them out, and then concludes that exposures at Camp Lejeune, however limited, must be the cause. I have responded to Dr. Hu's specific arguments about

elimination of risk factors in the following paragraphs. Quotations from Dr. Hu's opinions are in italics and my specific responses are presented:

*"previous treatment with cancer chemotherapy drugs"*

There are cancers such as acute myeloid leukemia that are related to previous treatment with chemotherapy drugs—but not cancers in general and not NHL in general. So even had Mr. Kidd had previous treatment with chemotherapy drugs, it would not be reasonable to attribute causation to these drugs. Similarly, routine radiation exposures such as dental X-rays have not been linked to DLBCL[39].

*"weakened immune systems (e.g., those weakened by immunosuppressive drugs or HIV/AIDS)"*

DLBCL is increased in people with HIV/AIDS, but only 7.8% of DLBCL cases in the United States are HIV associated[40].

*"certain inherited syndromes associated with immunodeficiency (e.g., ataxia-telangiectasia, Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome)"*

The inherited immunodeficiency syndromes that Dr. Hu refers to are associated with less than 1% of DLBCL in the United States[41, 42].

*"...radiation exposure..."*

Dr. Hu appropriately dismisses the contributions of radiation to DLBCL in this case but should have gone further. Routine radiation exposures such as dental and chest X-rays have not been linked to DLBCL[39].

*"chronic infections that cause continuous immune system activity (e.g., Helicobacter pylori; Chlamydomphila psittaci; Campylobacter jejuni; Hepatitis C)"*

Helicobacter pylori is only associated with lymphomas arising in the stomach. Only a small percentage of lymphomas are gastric and only a small percentage of that small percentage are DLBCL. Chlamydomphila psittaci is only related to lymphomas arising around the eyes and, as with gastric lymphomas, only a tiny percentage of these are DLBCL. Most of the evidence for any link of Chlamydomphila psittaci and lymphoma is from Italy[43], and the studies in the United States have not been able to confirm any relationship[44]. Similarly, there is some evidence that hepatitis C is linked to splenic lymphoma with villous lymphocytes, but studies in the United States have generally not found an association with DLBCL.

*"Thus, given my general causation assessment and the factors reviewed above, it is my opinion, to a reasonable degree of medical certainty, that Mr. Kidd's combination of exposures to TCE, PCE, and benzene from Camp*



*Lejeune more likely than not was a substantial contributing factor to the causation of his Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma (NHL)."*

Dr. Hu reviews possible suspects in his differential etiology as though they account for all causes of DLBCL other than exposure to TCE, PCE, and benzene, and having eliminated all the suspects, he attributes the DLBCL to exposures at Camp Lejeune. However, as reviewed above, the "known causes" of DLBCL don't account for the vast majority of DLBCL in the United States. Eliminating these known and relatively rare causes of DLBCL doesn't make it at all plausible that minimal exposures at Camp Lejeune had anything to do with the development of DLBCL in Mr. Kidd. The approach suggested by Dr. Hu is inherently flawed and is not appropriately applied in situations where most of the potential causes remain unknown as is the case with DLBCL.

As is true for the majority of patients with lymphoma and DLBCL in particular, the cause or causes of Mr. Kidd's DLBCL are unknown.

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## Attachment A – Curriculum Vitae

## CURRICULUM VITAE



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## Extramural Funding

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4/1/20-3/31/25 Molecular Markers	Hodgkin Lymphoma in PLWH in South Africa: TB, EBV, and Tumor R01CA250069 NCI \$4,336,949 Role: PI: 17%
9/8/20-8/31/25	AIDS Malignancy Consortium UM1CA121947 NCI \$23,700,979 Role: Johns Hopkins site PI PI: J. Sparano: 9%
3/31/22-3/30/26	BMT CTN Protocol 1903 (AMC-109) Administration of HIV-specific T cells to HIV+ Patients Receiving High Dose Chemotherapy Followed by Autologous Stem Cell Rescue -Auto-RESIST 1903 National Marrow Donor Program \$130,028 Role: PI: 4%
5/1/22-4/30/27	Johns Hopkins Center for AIDS Research (JHU CFAR) 2P30AI094189-11 NIAID \$19,515,902 Role: Administrative Core Co-Leader PI: RE Chaisson: 15%
6/20/22-5/31/27	Regional Oncology Research Center- Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center (SKCCC) at Johns Hopkins 2P30CA006973 NCI \$40,213,299

Role: Program Co-Leader for Hematologic Malignancies  
PI: WG Nelson: 5%

9/8/23-9/7/28      Investigating the EBV methylome in PLWH: Discovery and Development of  
Novel EBV Diagnostics in Plasma and Saliva  
U01CA284811-01  
NIH  
\$3,369,145  
Role: PI: 15%

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Assay for Endemic Burkitt Lymphoma  
1U01CA271252-01A1  
NIH  
\$1,720,211  
Role: PI: 10%

## EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

### Johns Hopkins Teaching Experience

1983      Physical Diagnosis (course for medical students), The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

1984-present      Attending Physician, Bone Marrow Transplant Unit, The Johns Hopkins Hospital

1985      Attending Physician, Leukemia Service, The Johns Hopkins Hospital

1985-present      Lecturer, Virology (Course director, Keerti Shah), The Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health

1989-present      Organizer Weekly Multidisciplinary Lymphoma Conference, The Johns Hopkins Hospital

1991-present      Tutorial leader, Medical Student Pharmacology (Course Directors, Paul Lietman and Thomas August), The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

1991-present      Case Discussant, Clinico-Pathological Conference (CPC) The Johns Hopkins University Medical School

1992-present      Course Director, Antiviral Pharmacology (graduate students), Dept of Pharmacology and Molecular Sciences, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

1995-2010      Lecturer, EBV and KSHV in the Medical Student Microbiology, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

1995-2001      Small Group Leader, Vaccines Section, Medical Student Pharmacology (Organizer, Charles Flexner), The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

1995-2001      Lecturer, Herpesvirus Pathogenesis, Advanced Virology Course (Course Director, Marie Hardwick), The Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health.

1998-present      Research in Progress Graduate Training Program Seminars in the Department of Pharmacology, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

2000-present      Lecturer, Antiviral Chemotherapy in the Graduate Student Pharmacology Course.

2000-2010      Course Director, Introduction to Clinical Pharmacology for Graduate Students

2002-2010      Lecturer, Monoclonal Antibodies and Gene Therapy in the Medical Student Pharmacology Course

2002      Centennial Celebration of Dorothy Reed's Description of the Reed-Sternberg Cell in Hodgkin's Disease, Symposium Organizer

2004-present Lecturer, Ethics and Clinical Research, Department of Pharmacology  
 2008-2010 American Society of Clinical Oncology Education Committee Member  
 2008-present Lecturer, Viral Oncology Course (School of Medicine)  
 2010-2021 Course Co-director, Lecturer, Small Group Leader, Hematology/Oncology, First Year Medical Student Curriculum.

#### **Mentoring, coaching, and advising**

##### **Laboratory Training**

1990-1991 Eithne MacMahon, M.D., Postdoctoral fellow. Projects: Characterization of EBV in primary central nervous system lymphomas. Present position: Consultant Virologist, Guy's and St Thomas' Hospital Trust Honorary Senior Lecturer, UMDS Guy's and St Thomas' Medical & Dental Schools.

1990-1992 Tzzy-Chou Wu, M.D., Ph.D., Pathology resident. Project: In situ hybridization to detect EBV in clinical specimens. Present position: Associate Professor, Department of Pathology, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland.

1992-1993 Judy Ryon, M.D., Postdoctoral fellow. Project: Characterization of EBV lytic infection in clinical specimens. Present position: Research Associate, Department of Neurology, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland.

1992 Douglas Kingma, M.D., Visiting pathology fellow from the National Cancer Institute. Project: In situ hybridization to detect EBV in Hodgkin's disease. Present position: Staff Hematopathologist, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, Maryland.

1992-1994 Marcie Weil, M.D. Postdoctoral fellow. Project: EBV and Hodgkin's Disease. Present position: Private practice oncology.

1992-1994 Paul Murray, Ph.D. Visiting graduate student from the University of Wolverhampton. Projects: EBV gene expression in various tumors. Present position: Principal Lecturer in Biomedical Science, School of Health Sciences, University of Wolverhampton, 62-68 Lichfield Street, Wolverhampton, WV1 1SB, United Kingdom.

1993-1996 Keith D. Robertson, Ph.D. Graduate student, Pharmacology and Molecular Sciences, Graduate Program. Dissertation: "Analysis of the Role of DNA Methylation in the Regulation of the Epstein-Barr virus *Bam*HI C Promoter." Present position post-doctoral fellow, University of California at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California.

1993-1996 M. Victor Lemas, Ph.D. Project: EBV Immune Response. Present position, Research Associate, Department of Oncology, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland.

1993-1996 Rimas J. Orentas, Ph.D. Postdoctoral fellow. Project: EBV Cytotoxic T Cells. Present position, Assistant Professor, Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

1993-1995 Sen-Tien Tsai, M.D. Postdoctoral fellow. Project: PCR and in situ hybridization for detection of EBV in nasopharyngeal carcinoma. Present position: Associate Professor, Department of Surgery, National Cheng Kung University Medical College, Tainan, Taiwan.

1995-1999 Stacy M. Moore, Graduate student, Pharmacology and Molecular Sciences, Graduate Program, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland.

1995-1999 Qian Tao, Postdoctoral fellow. Project: EBV Gene Expression in Tumors. Present position: Assistant Professor in Oncology at The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Singapore.

1995-2001 Jie Yang, Graduate student, Pharmacology and Molecular Sciences, Graduate Program, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland.

1995-2000 Jennifer S. Cannon, Graduate student, Pharmacology and Molecular Sciences, Graduate Program, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland.

1996-1997 Ian Flinn, M.D. Postdoctoral fellow. Present position: Assistant Professor, The Johns Hopkins Oncology Center, Baltimore, Maryland.



1998-2001	Wen-Son Hsieh, M.D. Clinical postdoctoral fellow, The Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland.
1999-2001	Meghan Higman, M.D., Ph.D. Postdoctoral fellow. Present position: Assistant Professor, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland.
1999-2001	Olivia Y. Hwang, Graduate student, Pharmacology and Molecular Sciences, Graduate Program, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland.
2002-2003	Alvin Wong, M.D. Research postdoctoral fellow. National University of Singapore, Singapore.
1999-2005	Lan Lin, Graduate student, Pharmacology and Molecular Sciences, Graduate Program, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland.
1999-2004	Yvette Tanhehco, Graduate student, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland.
2002-2007	Jianmeng Chen, Graduate student, Pharmacology and Molecular Sciences, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland.
2006-2013	Andrew Dufresne, Graduate student, Pharmacology and Molecular Sciences, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore Maryland
2008-2012	Courtney Shirley, Graduate student, BCMB, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore Maryland
2012-2012	Courtney Shirley, Postdoctoral fellow, BCMB, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore Maryland
2008-2014	Suntra Biswas – Graduate student, BCMB, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore Maryland
2009-2014	Nene Kalu – Graduate student, BCMB, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore Maryland
2011-2013	Jennifer Kanakry - Postdoctoral fellow, Virally-related lymphomas, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore Maryland
2011-2012	Songmei Wang, Postdoctoral, DNA damage and EBV lytic activation. Fudan University, China.
2012- 2017	John Kosowicz, Graduate Student, BCMB, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY
2013-2019	Jaeyeun Lee, Graduate Student,
2014-2015	Genevieve M. Crane (Eve), Resident, Anatomic Pathology, PGY3, The Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland.
2015-2018	Samantha Vogt, Clinical Fellow, Medical Oncology, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD.
2019-2022	Maggie Li, Undergraduate, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD.
2019-2022	KC Rappazzo, Clinical Fellow, Medical Oncology, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD.
2020-present	Logan George, Graduate Student, Pathobiology, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, MD.
2021-2022	Cole Sterling, Clinical Fellow, Medical Oncology, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD.
2022-present	Sydney Ghoreishi, Graduate student, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology PHD Program, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD.

#### **Training Grant Participation**

1992-present	Pharmacology and Molecular Sciences Graduate Training Grant (Graduate)
1993-present	Biological Chemistry and Molecular Biology Graduate Training Grant (Graduate)
1994-present	Laboratory Research Training Grant in Pediatric Oncology/Hematology (Postdoctoral)
1997-2017	Graduate Training Program in Cellular and Molecular Medicine (Graduate)
2002-present	Graduate Training Program in Clinical Investigation
2006-present	Graduate Training Program in Pathobiology



## **CLINICAL ACTIVITIES**

### **Certification**

1979 FLEX Exam (6/12/1979)  
1979 License to Practice Medicine, State of Maryland (#D23887)  
1979 National Board of Medical Examiners  
1982 Board Certified in Internal Medicine (September 15, #86149)  
1985 Board Certified in Medical Oncology (November 19, #86149)

## **ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

### **Institutional Administrative Appointments**

1992-1995 Oncology Fellowship Admissions Committee  
1993-present Graduate Student Steering Committee, Pharmacology and Molecular Sciences  
1998-2000 Johns Hopkins Cancer Committee  
1998-2002 Appointments & Promotions Committee  
2000-present Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center Research Council

### **National/International Committees:**

1993-2001 Co-Chair, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) AIDS Committee  
1994-2000 Co-Chair, NIH/NCI AIDS Malignancy Bank Research Evaluation and Decision Panel  
1995-2001 Chair, AIDS Malignancy Consortium Laboratory Committee  
1996-2002 Member, AIDS Malignancy Conference Program Committee  
1996-2002 Member, National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Panel for the Development of Guidelines for the Treatment of Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma  
1998-2018 Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) Lymphoma Core Committee  
2002-2004 Vice President, AIDS Malignancy Consortium  
2004-2019 Laboratory Committee Chair, AIDS Malignancy Consortium  
2012-2018 Editorial Board, Blood  
2013- CFAR Leadership Committee, Johns Hopkins Center for AIDS Research  
2004-2019 Chair, Translational Research Working Group, AIDS Malignancy Consortium  
2019-present Hematologic Malignancies Working Group Chair, AIDS Malignancy Consortium  
2016-present JHH Antimicrobial Stewardship Committee Meeting  
2017-present Member of the National Cancer Institute (NCI) Board of Scientific Advisors ad hoc Subcommittee on HIV and AIDS Malignancy  
2020-present NCI Lymphoma Steering Committee Member  
2020-present Chair, Hematologic Malignancies Working Group, AIDS Malignancy Consortium  
2018-present National Comprehensive Cancer Center Guidelines Panel for Cancer in People Living with HIV

### **Professional Societies**

American Association for the Advancement of Science  
American Society for Clinical Oncology  
American Society of Hematology  
American Society of Microbiology  
Epstein-Barr Virus Society

## **RECOGNITION**

### **Awards, Honors**

1978	John W. Graham Award
1979	Henry Strong Denison Scholarship
1979	Alpha Omega Alpha
1979	Phi Beta Kappa
1985-1990	Physician Scientist Award (NIH K11)
1994-1999	Scholar, Leukemia Society of America
1996	Visiting Professor, Chinese University of Hong Kong
1999	American Society for Clinical Investigation
2000-2001	Director's Basic Sciences Teaching Award, Johns Hopkins Oncology Center
2001	Stohlman Scholar, Leukemia Society of America
2001	James B. Murphy Professorship in Oncology
2002	American Society for Clinical Investigation
2002	Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science
2002-2010	Director, Johns Hopkins Lymphoma SPORE
2008-2009	Director's Basic Sciences Teaching Award, Johns Hopkins Oncology Center
2009	Director's Clinical Sciences Teaching Award, Johns Hopkins Oncology Center
2014-2015	Director's Basic Sciences Teaching Award, Johns Hopkins Oncology Center
2017-2018	Director's Basic Sciences Teaching Award, Johns Hopkins Oncology Center

#### **Invited Talks**

1991	Educational Session at the American Society of Hematology, December 6-9, Denver, CO. "AIDS Primary Central Nervous System Lymphoma."
1991	Invited speaker at the Annual Meeting of the Laboratory of Tumor Cell Biology, National Cancer Institute, September 1-8, Bethesda, MD. "EBV and AIDS Primary Central Nervous System Lymphomas."
1991	Tutorial Leader at the Annual Meeting of the Laboratory of Tumor Cell Biology, National Cancer Institute, September 8, Bethesda, MD. "Human Herpesviruses: Pathogenesis, Oncogenic Potential."
1992	Invited speaker at the AIDS Lymphoma Meeting sponsored by the National Cancer Institute, May 11-12, Bethesda, MD. "Epstein-Barr Virus Gene Expression in Lymphoma."
1992	University of Maryland Hematology Conference, October 26, Baltimore, MD. "Epstein-Barr Virus and Hodgkin's Disease."
1992	Invited speaker at the Hemophilia Malignancy Study Group Meeting, November 20, Atlanta, GA. "Epstein-Barr Virus and Malignancy."
1993	Invited speaker at the AID-Related Malignancy Strategies Meeting sponsored by the Cancer Therapy Evaluation Program, National Cancer Institute, January 11, Bethesda, MD. "Treatment of AIDS Central Nervous System Lymphoma."
1993	Invited speaker at the AIDS Lymphoma Coordinating Group Meeting sponsored by the Epidemiology and Biostatistics Program, National Cancer Institute, March 8, Bethesda, MD. "Epstein-Barr Virus and Lymphoma."
1993	Invited speaker of the "AIDS Malignancy Task Force, Meeting sponsored by the National Cancer Institute, Orlando, FL, May 16." "5-Azacytidine for AIDS Lymphomas."
1994	Invited speaker at the Biology of B-Cell Malignancies Biology Meeting, sponsored by the National Cancer Institute, April 19. "New Approaches to EBV Lymphomas."
1994	Invited speaker at the NATO Workshop on The Etiology of Hodgkin's Disease, Glasgow, Scotland, United Kingdom, May 4. "EBV-Associated Hodgkin's Disease."
1994	Invited speaker at the Epstein-Barr Virus and Associated Diseases Meeting at Cold Spring Harbor (Cancer Cells Series), September 11. "New Approaches to the Therapy of EBV-Associated Malignancies."

- 1995 Invited speaker at Topics in Pediatric Hematology/Oncology: Update 1995 in New York, for Tomorrow's Children's Institute, April 26-27. "EBV and Hodgkin's Disease" and "Hodgkin's Disease and Bone Marrow Transplantation."
- 1995 Invited speaker at the New Aspects of the Diagnosis and Treatment of Hodgkin's Disease Meeting, Cologne, Germany, September 21. "New Approaches to EBV-Associated Hodgkin's Disease."
- 1995 Chair of the Biology Session at the New Aspects of the Diagnosis and Treatment of Hodgkin's Disease."
- 1995 Invited speaker at the College of Physicians & Surgeons, Columbia University, Department of Pathology, New York, NY, November 6. "Epstein-Barr Virus and Malignancies."
- 1996 Invited speaker at the Molecular Characterization of Lymphoid Neoplasia Workshop, Bombay, India, February 21-26. "In-Situ Hybridization, Epstein-Barr Virus and Hodgkin's Disease."
- 1996 Invited speaker at the First Hong Kong Cancer Institute Annual Scientific Symposium on EBV Related Tumors, Hong Kong, March 4. "Novel Approaches to Treatment of EBV Tumors."
- 1996 Invited speaker at the Hong Kong University, Hong Kong, March 5. "EBV Tumors."
- 1996 Invited speaker at the Special Symposium on AIDS Related Malignancies, Albert Einstein College of Medicine/Montefiore Medical Center, New York, NY, March 25-27. "Treatment of AIDS-Related Lymphoma."
- 1996 Symposium organizer and invited speaker at the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting American Society of Clinical Oncology, Philadelphia, PA, May 18-21. "Epstein-Barr Virus and Malignancy."
- 1996 Invited speaker at the Annual Meeting of the Institute of Human Virology, Baltimore, MD, September 7-13. "EBV and B Cell Lymphoma."
- 1996 Invited speaker at the University of Virginia, Pathology Department, Charlottesville, VA, October 8. "EBV and Malignancy."
- 1996 Invited speaker at the Prince of Wales Hospital, Chinese University of Hong Kong, November 13. "High Dose Therapy with Bone Marrow Rescue for the Treatment of Lymphoma."
- 1996 Invited speaker at the Prince of Wales Hospital, Chinese University of Hong Kong, November 20. "EBV and Hodgkin's Disease."
- 1996 Invited speaker at The International Association for Research on Epstein-Barr Virus and Associated Diseases, VII International Symposium, Hong Kong, November 13-16. "Methylation and EBV-associated Tumors."
- 1997 Faculty, National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN), 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference, Practice Guidelines: From Principles to Practice. Ft. Lauderdale, FL. March 3-5. "Guidelines for the Treatment of Non-Hodgkin's Lymphomas."
- 1997 Invited speaker at the First AACR/ASCO Joint Conference, Basic and Clinical Aspects of Lymphoma, Indian Wells (Palm Springs) CA, January 10-14. "EBV and Lymphomagenesis."
- 1997 Invited speaker at the Keystone Symposium on the Genetics of Human Cancer. Keystone, CO, January 27- February 2. "Epstein Barr Virus and Malignancy: Methylation of the EBV Major Latency Promoter."
- 1997 Invited speaker at the Robert H. Lurie Cancer Center of Northwestern University, Chicago, IL, March 17. "Targeting Epstein-Barr Virus in Malignancies."
- 1997 Invited speaker at the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Symposium, Diagnosis and Treatment of Neoplastic Disorders, The Johns Hopkins Oncology Center, Baltimore, MD, April 3 - 4. "AIDS Malignancies."
- 1997 Invited speaker at Hahnemann Allegheny Hospital, Philadelphia, PA, May 7. "EBV and Post-Transplant Lymphoma."
- 1997 Invited speaker at the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of The American Society of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology, (ASPH/O) San Francisco, CA, September 20. "EBV and Hodgkin's Disease."
- 1997 Invited speaker at 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Institute of Human Virology, University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD, September 21. "Cellular Immune Responses and EBV."

- 1997 Invited speaker at Advances in Transplantation, School of Nursing Conference, Washington, DC, September 30. "Lymphoproliferative Disease in Transplant Recipients."
- 1997 Invited speaker at the National Lymphoma Awareness Week Conference, Vienna, VA, October 19. "AIDS-Related Lymphoma."
- 1997 Invited speaker at Massachusetts General Hospital Charlestown Laboratories, Boston, MA, December 1. "Targeting Epstein-Barr Virus in Malignancies."
- 1997 Chair of the Hodgkin's disease session, American Society of Hematology, San Diego, CA, December 8.
- 1998 Invited speaker at the 5<sup>th</sup> Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections, Chicago, IL, February 1-5. "Epstein-Barr Virus and Lymphoma in Patients with HIV."
- 1998 Invited speaker at the International Union Against Cancer, UICC Workshop on Nasopharyngeal Cancer-Issues and Challenges, Singapore, February 12. "EBV and NPC."
- 1998 Invited speaker at the Fifteen Years Viral Oncopathology Symposium of HPV and EBV, Amsterdam, Netherlands, March 5. "EBV Pathology."
- 1998 Invited speaker at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Clinical Care of Patient with HIV Infection, Baltimore, MD, March 31. "HIV-Related Malignancies."
- 1998 Invited speaker at the University of Birmingham School of Medicine, Birmingham, United Kingdom, June 4. "Approaches to Targeting EBV in Tumors."
- 1998 Chair of the Pathology and Pathogenesis Session. International Epstein-Barr Virus (EBV) Meeting, Stockholm, Sweden, June 5.
- 1998 Invited speaker at Progress in Hematologic Malignancies and Bone Marrow Transplantation. Baltimore, MD, September 11. "Aspects of Hodgkin's Disease."
- 1998 Invited speaker at Baylor University, Houston, TX, November 18.
- 1999 Invited speaker at The University of Texas, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX, March 23 - 25.
- 1999 Invited speaker at The Mount Sinai Medical Center Hematology Grand Rounds, New York, NY, June 10. "Targeting EBV in Malignancies."
- 1999 Invited speaker at 21<sup>st</sup> International Congress of Chemotherapy, Birmingham, UK, July 4 - 7. "EBV Products as Novel Targets."
- 1999 Invited speaker at Leukemia Society of America, Annual Stohlman Scholar Symposium, New York, NY, November 12 - 13. "EBV Kinases: Novel Targets in EBV-Associated Malignancies."
- 2000 Invited speaker at American College of Epidemiology, Atlanta, GA, September 24-26. "Molecular Aspects of EBV and Lymphoma."
- 2000 Invited speaker at Lymphoma Meeting, Crowne Plaza, Manhattan, NY, October 7-8. "Targeting EBV and Lymphoma."
- 2000 Invited speaker at Cerus Science Retreat, Santa Cruz, CA, October 13-15. "EBV and Transplantation."
- 2000 Invited speaker at American Society of Hematology, San Francisco, CA, December 2-5. "Worldwide Impact of Viral Diseases in Hematology."
- 2001 Invited speaker at University Hospitals of Cleveland, Cleveland, OH, March 16. "Targeting EBV in Tumors."
- 2001 Invited speaker at the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Clinical Care of the Patient with HIV Infection Course, Baltimore, MD, March 26-27. "HIV Related Cancers."
- 2001 Invited speaker at the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology Summer Research Conference, Snowmass, CO, July 29-30. "Mechanisms in AIDS Malignancies."
- 2002 Invited speaker at the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Clinical Care of the Patient with HIV Infection Course, Baltimore, MD, April 15-16. "HIV-Related Cancers."
- 2002 Invited speaker at the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology, Baltimore, MD, May 2-5. "Targeting EBV in Tumors and Lymphoproliferative Disorders."

- 2002 Invited speaker at the 10th International Symposium on Epstein-Barr Virus and Associated Malignant Diseases, Cairns, Australia, July 16-21.
- 2002 Oncology Translational Research Conference, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, October 22, 2002. "EBV and Hodgkin's Disease."
- 2003 Invited speaker at the 4th International UICC Symposium on Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma, Hong Kong SAR, China, February 14-16, 2003.
- 2003 Invited speaker at Grand Rounds at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, Massachusetts, May 13, 2003.
- 2003 Invited speaker at the First Annual Conference: Targeted Therapies for the Treatment of Hematological Malignancies, Kona, HI, July 16-20, 2003.
- 2003 Invited speaker at the Post Transplant Lymphoproliferative Disorder Meeting, Bethesda, MD, September 15-16, 2003. "Vaccination Against EBV."
- 2003 Invited speaker at the Feist-Weiller Cancer Center, Shreveport, LA, October 27, 2003. "Epstein-Barr Virus and Hodgkin's Disease."
- 2003 Invited speaker at the Grand Rounds for the Division of Hematology/Oncology at the Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center of Northwestern University, Chicago, IL, December 12, 2003. "Epstein-Barr Virus and Hodgkin's Disease."
- 2003 Session Chair at American Society of Hematology, San Francisco, CA, December 6th-9th 2003.
- 2004 Invited speaker at the Dermatology Grand Rounds Lecture, Johns Hopkins University, School of Medicine, February 18, 2004. "Kaposi's Sarcoma"
- 2004 Invited Speaker at the AMC Steering Committee Meeting and International Conference on AIDS Malignancies in AIDS and Other Immunodeficiencies, Bethesda, MD April 28th -30th 2004. "Viral Load Assays"
- 2004 Invited Session Chair at the 29th Annual International Herpesvirus Workshop, Reno, NV July 25th-31st 2004.
- 2004 Visiting Professor Yonsei Medical School, Seoul Korea, October 19th -23rd 2004. "Epstein-Barr Virus and Tumors."
- 2004 Invited Speaker at The INTERLYMPH Immunology Subgroup Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, December 3rd 2004. "EBV and Inflammation"
- 2004 Invited Speaker American Society of Hematology Educational Session San Diego, CA, December 4-7th 2004. "Epstein - Barr virus and Hodgkin's Disease: Issues of Causation, Pathogenesis, Prognosis, and Treatment."
- 2005 Invited Speaker at Lymphoma the next questions: Ft. Lauderdale, FL April 7-8 "Allogeneic Transplant for Hodgkin's disease."
- 2005 Invited Speaker at The Rockefeller University, New York, NY, April 6, 2005. "Loaded Questions Regarding Gammaherpesviruses and Tumors."
- 2005 Discussant at ASCO, Orlando, FL May 13-17, 2005. "Hodgkin's Disease Reflections"
- 2006 Invited Speaker at the Tropical Medicine Dinner Club of Baltimore, MD, February 1, 2006 "Gammaherpesvirus Associated Tumors"
- 2009 Invited Speaker at New Directions in Pediatric, Adolescent and Young Adult Lymphoma, July 30-31, 2009, Baylor University, Houston, TX, "Targeted Radiation Therapy for Viral Malignancies"
- 2010 Invited Speaker at the Third Annual Review of the ASH Annual Meeting: Nashville, TN, January 19, 2010 "Updates in the Treatment and Management of Hematologic Malignancies".
- 2010 Invited Speaker at the 14<sup>th</sup> Biennial Symposium of the Lymphoma International Association for Research on Epstein - Barr virus and Associated Diseases. University of Birmingham, United Kingdom, September 3, 2010, "EBV-Targeted Radiation Therapy."
- 2010 Invited Speaker at 8th International Symposium on Hodgkin Lymphoma, Koln, Germany, October 24, 2010. "The Hodgkin Lymphoma Stem Cell"
- 2010 Invited Speaker at the American College of Veterinary Pathologists, Baltimore, MD, November 2, 2010. "Mechanisms of Herpes Virus-induced Carcinogenesis"



- 2011 Invited Speaker at The Molecular Imaging Seminar, Baltimore, MD September 13, 2011. "Imaging Lytic Induction of Gamma Herpes Viruses in Lymphoma Patients"
- 2011 Invited Speaker at Fourth AACR Conference on The Science of Cancer Health Disparities in Racial/Ethnic Minorities and the Medically Underserved, Washington, D.C. September 19, 2011. "EBV as a cause of Hodgkin's Disease, Nasopharyngeal Cancer, Gastric Cancer, and Non-Hodgkin's Lymphomas; New Approaches to EBV Cancer Treatment"
- 2012 Invited Speaker at BMT Tandem "Scientific" Meeting, San Diego, CA, February 4, 2012. "HCT in HIV-1 Infected Patients".
- 2012 Invited Speaker at AACR Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL, April 3, 2012. Session chair and speaker. "HIV Malignancies: Current Dilemmas and Future Directions".
- 2012 Invited Speaker at JHU/Brazil HIV/Aids conference in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, April 13, 2012. "Bone Marrow Transplantation and HIV Infection".
- 2012 Invited Speaker at Pediatric Lymphoma Symposium in Houston, TX, April 27, 2012. "EBV Associated Lymphoma: Aspects of Diagnosing, Prognosis and Treatment".
- 2012 Invited Speaker at 9th International CGO Lymphoma Symposium, Chicago, IL, April 28, 2012. "EBV Lymphoma and Viral Load Monitoring".
- 2012 Invited Speaker at the Department of Molecular Genetics and Microbiology at Stony Brook University in Stony Brook, NY, May 14, 2012. "Targeting EBV: New Approaches and New Agents".
- 2012 Invited Speaker at the 2012 ASCO Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, June 2, 2012. Session chair and speaker. "EBV And KSHV In The Epidemiology And Pathogenesis Of Human Tumors"
- 2013 Invited speaker at Hematology/Oncology Grand Rounds at University of Maryland, College Park, MD, February, 8 2013. "Epstein – Barr Virus and Cancer"
- 2013 Invited speaker to Johns Hopkins 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference on Clinical Care of HIV Infection, Baltimore, MD, March 18, 2013.
- 2014 Invited speaker to Celgene Corporation, San Francisco, CA, July 30, 2014 "Rael (EBV-positive Burkitt's lymphoma cell line".
- 2014 Invited speaker at Carnegie Institution, Johns Hopkins Homewood Campus, Baltimore, MD., September 6, 2014 "Epstein-Barr Virus and Multiple Myeloma"
- 2014 Invited speaker at The 2nd Annual Robert J. Cotter Hopkins Pharmacology Retreat, Mt Washington Conference Center, Baltimore, MD, September 20, 2014.
- 2014 Invited speaker to Festschrift Honoring Rein Saral, MD, Emory Conference Center Hotel, Atlanta, GA, November 15, 2014 "Allogeneic Bone Marrow Transplantation for Patients with HIV"
- 2015 Invited speaker to the Johns Hopkins Oncology Translational Research Conference, Baltimore, MD, January 7, 2015 "Epstein Barr Virus and Malignancy"
- 2015 Invited speaker to Delhi, India, March 23, 2015 "EBV, HIV and Tumors"
- 2015 Invited speaker to Seattle, WA on August 13, 2015 to speak at the 2nd Annual Conference on Cell and Gene Therapy for HIV Cure "Allogeneic Transplantation for Patients with HIV"
- 2015 Invited speaker to the BMT CTN 2015 Steering Committee in Westin Crystal City, Arlington, VA. on October 23, 2015, "Identification of HIV-Resistant Donors Project"
- 2015 Invited speaker to the 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Malignancies in AIDS and other Acquired Immunodeficiencies in Bethesda, MD on October 26, 2015, "Non-Myeloablative Haploidentical Allogeneic Bone Marrow Transplantation in HIV-Infected Individuals".
- 2016 Invited Speaker to Hong Kong on May 14, 2016
- 2016 Invited speaker to the The Medical Council of DKMS in Valencia Spain on April 3, 2016 "Advanced Unrelated Donor Selection Based on Polymorphism in Selected Genes."
- 2018 Invited speaker Sjogren's Syndrome Foundation in Aurora Colorado on April 13, 2018 "Lymphoma: Risk, Treatment and Prognosis"



- 2018 Invited speaker CFAR Cure Symposium, Panel Discussion: “HV Cure; A Reality Check”, October 15, 2018.
- 2018 Invited speaker AMC Investigators Fall Meeting in Reston, VA., October 24, 2018.
- 2019 Invited speaker Hillman Cancer Center Viral Oncology Mini-Symposium at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, April 15, 2019.
- 2019 Invited speaker Clinical Virology Symposium, Savannah, GA, “Circulating EBV and KSHV DNA for diagnosis and monitoring” May 7, 2019.
- 2019 Invited speaker for IVS presentation at Johns Hopkins Pathology Molecular Diagnostics, Baltimore, MD, October 4, 2019.
- 2019 Grand Rounds, Johns Hopkins University, School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD, October 11, 2019.
- 2019 Invited speaker to the 17<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Malignancies in HIV/AIDS (ICMH) in Bethesda, MD, October 22, 2019.
- 2020 Invited speaker for the first year medical students, Johns Hopkins University, School of Medicine, Infectious Disease, Baltimore, MD, February 11, 2020.
- 2020 Invited speaker for the resident didactics: Hodgkin Lymphoma, Johns Hopkins University, School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD, 5/1/2020.
- 2020 Invited speaker for the Kaposi Sarcoma meeting, virtual. May 7, 2021.
- 2020 Invited speaker for the Data and Safety Monitoring Board, virtual, June 19, 2020.
- 2020 Invited speaker for the graduate pharmacology students, Johns Hopkins SOM, Pharmacology, Baltimore, MD, September 30, 2020. “Gene Therapy/Antibody Drugs”.
- 2021 Invited speaker for the graduate pharmacology students, Johns Hopkins SOM, Pharmacology, Baltimore, MD, March 3, 2021. “Antivirals”.
- 2021 Invited speaker for ARFD virtual meeting, April 29, 2021.
- 2021 Invited speaker for Simmons Comprehensive Cancer Center Distinguished Lecture Series virtually, UT Southwestern, May 7, 2021. “New directions for lymphoma in HIV patients: Plasma DNA for diagnosis; allogeneic transplant for cure”.
- 2021 Invited speaker to fellows, Johns Hopkins University, SOM, Baltimore, MD. July 16, 2021. “Hodgkin Lymphoma”.
- 2022 Invited speaker for 18<sup>th</sup> International conference on Malignancies in HIV/AIDS (ICMH), Bethesda, MD., October 24, 2022.
- 2023 Invited speaker for EBV-associated Lymphoma Consortium, Bethesda, MD., 10/16/23.
- 2024 Invited speaker for graduate pharmacology students, Johns Hopkins SOM, Pharmacology, Baltimore, MD., March 14, 2024. “Antivirals”
- 2024 Invited speaker for Department of Molecular Microbiology and Immunology at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, MD., September 12, 2024. “Epstein-Barr virus: Facilitating early diagnosis of EBV-associated malignancies”.

**Richard F. Ambinder, M.D., Ph.D., Prior Testimony, Depositions 2021-2025**

2021--Arbitration - Marvin Smith, Individually and as Administrator of the Estate of Tanya Smith, Deceased v. John Wright, MD, et al., Deposition and Arbitration Testimony

2022—Marvin Smith, Individually and as Administrator of the Estate of Tanya Smith, Deceased v. Annie Kannarkatt, MD, Court Testimony, York County, PA Case number 2018-SU-002317