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1. Classical Hodgkin Lymphoma (cHL) is a very heterogeneous disease.
2. The incidence of cHL is age dependent and both the overall incidence and the age dependent incidence are influenced by ethnic origin.
3. Immune control of Epstein Barr virus (EBV) infection depends on polymorphisms within the Human leukocyte Antigen (HLA) genes.
4. EBV-positive cHL is different from EBV-negative cHL in terms of epidemiology, association with ethnic origin and genetic predisposition.
5. The increased risk of individuals carrying the HLA-A\*01 allele to develop EBV-positive cHL presumably relates to a less effective immune response against EBV derived peptides.
6. HLA-A\*02:07 is an ethnic-specific HLA-A\*02 allele variant that is related to a higher risk to develop EBV-positive cHL in the Chinese population.
7. I dreamed a thousand new paths. . . I woke and walked my old one.
8. Be not afraid of growing slowly; be afraid only of standing still.
9. A book holds a house of gold.
10. Even Homer sometimes nods (智者千虑, 必有一失).

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