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Per Ljungman born in 1950 is currently professor of hematology, Karolinska Institutet and senior physician, Departments for Cellular Therapy and Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplantation and Hematology, Karolinska University Hospital, Stockholm, Sweden. He received his MD and PhD degrees from Karolinska Institutet and performed a post doctoral fellowship at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center and University of Washington, Seattle, WA, USA. He is board qualified in internal medicine and hematology. From 1998 – 2013 he was director, Dept of Hematology and 2014-2017 he served as acting director of the Department of Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplantation, Karolinska University Hospital. He has also served as a member of the Committee for Advanced Therapy, European Medicines Agency 2008 – 2011 and as a scientific advisor for the Swedish Medical Products Agency since 2001. Per Ljungman is currently the research coordinator for the Regional Cancer Center, Stockholm. He has furthermore been guest professor/visiting scientist at the University College, London, UK and the University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, USA.

Per Ljungman's main research interests are viral infections in patients having undergone allogeneic stem cell transplantation especially CMV and respiratory viruses. He has also studied vaccinations in patients with hematological diseases and in stem cell transplant recipients. He is the author of >300 peer reviewed papers mostly regarding outcome and complications of allogeneic stem cell transplantation. He has the author of several reviews and book chapters and is the co-editor of 4 editions of the book Transplant Infections and associate editor for the journal Bone Marrow Transplantation.

Per Ljungman served as a council member of the ICHS from 2000-2004, was vice president 2004-2006, president elect 2006-2008, president 2008-2010, and past president 2010-2012. He was the first chairman of the Infectious Diseases Working Party of the European Society for Blood and Marrow Transplantation (EBMT). He has in different positions served this society including as secretary 2004-2010 and as chair of the registry committee. He was also a founding member of the European Leukemia Net and chair of the supportive care section. Per Ljungman has also been president of the Swedish Society for Hematology.