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Previously, he directed Transplant Immunology, COVID-19 Testing, and Stem Cell Processing Laboratories at Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas, TX, and was a Clinical Consultant at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY. Dr. Askar holds key roles, such as Board Member of the Worldwide Network for Blood & Marrow Transplantation, Treasurer of The Transplantation Society (TTS), and Treasurer of The Association of Medical Laboratory Immunologists (AMLI).

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