Summary: This 3 1/2-day conference presented both the latest basic and clinical applications research on KSHV/HHV8 (Human Herpesvirus 8) and related agents. In addition the conference agenda allotted time for informal discussions, exchange of ideas, data, and reagents among the approximately 200 attendees. The attendees were students, fellows, and principal investigators from the extramural and intramural research communities. Rare human disease(s) represented included Kaposi's sarcoma (KS), primary effusion lymphoma (PEL), and multicentric Castleman's disease (MCCD). This annual KSHV/HHV8 workshop is the only conference devoted exclusively to KSHV/HHV8 and related gamma-2 herpes viruses.