



Frontiers in Transplantation

Clinical Excellence through Innovation

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Day 1: clinical updates				
Time		Topic	Speaker	
08:50	09:00	Introduction to the course	Organisers	
09:00	09:30	Breaking out of the dichotomy of rejection vs toxicity in liver transplantation	Alberto Sanchez-Fueyo, Professor Hepatology, KCL and King's College Hospital	
09:30	10:00	Robotics in kidney transplantation	Ioannis Loukopoulos, Consultant Transplant Surgeon, Guy's Hospital	
10:00	10.30	The Current status of machine perfusion in liver transplantation: critical appraisal	Miriam Cortes Cerisuelo, Consultant in Adult and Paediatric Liver Transplantation - King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	
10.30	11:00	Cytotopic complement inhibition to reduce delayed graft function in kidney transplantation; the EMPIRIKAL-2 study	Theodoros Kasimatis, Consultant Nephrologist at King's College Hospital	
11:00	11:30	TBC	TBC	
11:30	11:45	Break		
11:45	12:15	Liver allocation: all about transplant benefit?	Varuna Aluvihare, Transplant Hepatology and Governance Lead - King's College London/King's College Hospital	
12:15	12:45	Al in Healthcare and implications for transplantation	Muhammad Khurram, Transplant and Vascular Access Surgeon, Royal London Hospital	
12:45	13:30	Break		
13:30	14:00	Liver Transplantation for Acute on Chronic Liver Failure	William Bernal, Consultant and Professor of Liver Critical Care Medicine, the Institute of Liver Studies, London	
14:00	14:30	The future of transplant oncology	Krishna Menon, Consultant Liver Transplant and HPB Surgeon - King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	
14:30	15:00	Break		
15:00	15:30	Organ Utilisation update NHSBT	Chris Callaghan, Consultant Transplant Surgeon, Guy's Hospital	
15:30	16:00	Paediatric Transplantation – update and state of art	Nicos Kessaris, Consultant Adult & Paediatric Transplant Surgeon, Guy's & St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust	
16:00	16:30	Polycystic Kidney Disease – clinical update and future innovations	Ismail H Mohamed, Consultant, Barts Health NHS Trust	

Day2: bench to bedside				
Time		Topic	Speaker	
08:50	09:00	Introduction	Organisers	
09:00	09:30	Immunological basis of tolerance - from mouse to human	James Hutchinson (virtual)	
09:30	10:00	Regenerative Medicine – Photoreceptor Transplantation for retinal degeneration	Robin Ali	
10:00	10:30	Modelling lymphatics and fibrotic diseases/ basic science	David Long, Professor in Paediatric Nephrology at UCL Great Ormond Street Institute of Child Health	
10.30	11:00	Break		
11:00	11:30	Using CAR-T cells to target B cells in cancer and autoimmunity	Reuben Benjamin, Haematologist and Clinical Senior Lecturer, KCL/King's College Hospital	
11:30	12:00	Metabolic control of regulatory T cells in liver diseases	Nilou Safinia, MRC Clinician Scientist (KCL)/Honorary Consultant Transplant Physician, King's College Hospital	
12:00	12:30	Liver cell replacement and regeneration transplantation	Foad Rouhani, Group Leader/ Honorary Consultant Transplant Surgeon, The Francis Crick Institute/Kings College Hospital	
12:30	13:15	Break		
13:15	13:45	HLA molecular mismatch and immunological risk – ready for clinical practice?	Vassilis Kosmoliaptsis, Honorary Consultant Abdominal Transplant, HPB and Endocrine Surgeon, Addenbrooke's Hospital (format to be confirmed)	
13:45	14:15	Assessing sensitisation in transplantation	Oriol Bestard (virtual), Head of the Kidney transplant program at Bellvitge University Hospital, Associate Professor at Barcelona University	
14:15	14:45	Vascular organoids to study diabetic nephropathy	Gideon Pomeranz, Research fellow, Institute of Child Health	
14:45	15:00	Break		
15:00	15:30	Opportunities for personalised medicine in lung transplantation	Anna Reed, Consultant in respiratory and transplant medicine, Harefield Hospital	
15:30	16:00	Regulatory T cell immunotherapy in transplantation	Alberto Sanchez-Fueyo, Professor Hepatology, KCL and King's College Hospital	
16:00	16:45	Keynote conference	Paolo de Coppi, Consultant Paediatric Surgeon/ Head of Stem Cells and Regenerative Medicine, Great Ormond Street Hospital (GOSH)/ UCL Institute of Child Health in London.	