



# NAVIGATING NEW FRONTIERS

14 – 16 MAY 2025



DonateLife

## 2025 Donation and Transplantation Conference – Program

Wednesday, 14 May

Time	Session	Location
8.00 am – 5:00 pm	<b>Registration desk open</b>	Level 1, Foyer 1.4
8.30 am – 9.30 am	<b>Arrival tea and coffee</b>	Level 1, Foyer 1.3
9.30 am – 11.00 am	<b>Welcome, opening and Plenary 1</b>	Meeting Room 105 & 106
9.30 am – 9.35 am	<b>Welcome and housekeeping</b> Helen Opdam and Steve Chadban	Meeting Room 105 & 106
9.35 am – 9.50 am	<b>Welcome to Country</b> Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Elder Perry Wandin	Meeting Room 105 & 106
9.50 am – 10.05 am	<b>Welcome</b> Lucinda Barry, CEO, OTA	Meeting Room 105 & 106
10.05 am – 10.15 am	<b>Opening presentation - Setting the scene</b> Helen Opdam and Steve Chadban	Meeting Room 105 & 106
10.15am – 11.00 am	<b>A pivot from organ donation alone to a balance between donation and organ utilisation</b> John Forsythe	Meeting Room 105 & 106

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11.00 am – 11.30 am		<b>Morning tea</b>		Level 1, Foyer 1.3
11.30 am – 1.00 pm		<b>Concurrent Sessions</b>		
<b>Concurrent Session 1 - Law and ethics in organ and tissue donation and transplantation</b>		<b>Concurrent Session 2 - Equity and access for First Nations, rural and remote populations.</b>	<b>Short Talks Session 1</b>	
Meeting Room 105 & 106 <i>Chairs: Dominique Martin and Shih-Ning Then</i>		Meeting Room 103 <i>Chairs: Steve Chadban and Justine Holloway</i>	Meeting Room 104 <i>Chairs: Jo Brooks and Jasmin Chen</i>	
<b>Controversial cases – exploring ethical and legal questions in donation and transplantation?</b> Dominique Martin and Shih-Ning Then  <b>Panel discussion</b> Elena Cavazzoni, John Whitlam and Lisa O'Reilly		<b>Access to Transplantation for Māori, Pacific and First Nations – Aotearoa NZ and Canadian Perspectives</b> Helen Pilmore  <b>International perspectives on equity and access for transplantation</b> Elmi Muller  <b>First Nations case study presentation – cultural considerations in the donation process</b> Leigh Hill	<b>Machine perfusion and normothermic regional perfusion - UK comparison (virtual presentation)</b> Arul Suthanathan  <b>C.A.L.M - Compassionate Advocacy for Lasting Meaning-Paediatric DCDD in the OT setting</b> Jodi Pasfield  <b>New development strategies for DonateLife nursing staff through web coaching</b> Mary Lynch and Bianca Topp  <b>My decision - My body - My way</b> Nicole Bulley  <b>Characteristics of potential deceased neonatal organ donors in Australian Neonatal Intensive Care Units</b> Rebecca Barzegar	
1.00 pm – 1.45 pm		<b>Lunch</b>		Level 1, Foyer 1.3
1.45 pm – 3.15 pm		<b>Concurrent Sessions</b>		
<b>Concurrent Session 3 - Cases and panel discussion</b>		<b>Concurrent Session 4 - Advances in policy, technology and clinical practice</b>	<b>Short Talks Session 2</b>	
Meeting Room 105 & 106 <i>Chairs: Helen Opdam and Steve Chadban</i>		Meeting Room 103 <i>Chairs: Samantha Stones and Paul Robertson</i>	Meeting Room 104 <i>Chairs: Elena Cavazzoni and Caitlin Kolaric</i>	
<b>Exploring the donor pool</b> Kane Deering		<b>Machine perfusion and policy development</b> John Forsythe	<b>Normothermic regional perfusion</b> Adam Philipoff	

<p><b>Donor with diabetes – case study</b> Amanda Stewart</p> <p><b>Kidney outcomes from diabetic donors research</b> Phil Clayton and Georgina Irish</p> <p><b>Donor with Hepatitis B – case study</b> Allyson Newman</p> <p><b>Organ donation and infection risk: Lessons from Victoria</b> Liv Smibert and Shanti Narayanasamy</p>	<p><b>Technological advances in tissue transplantation</b> Chris van Diemen</p> <p><b>Supporting evidence-based decisions in organ procurement and transplantation</b> Angela Webster</p>	<p><b>Clinical risk aversion and potential gains from donors forgone for deceased kidney donation: a data-linkage study</b> Brenda Maria Rosales</p> <p><b>Organ donation in burns patients: a retrospective analysis of outcomes in the Alfred ICU</b> Georgie Callaghan</p> <p><b>Temporal trends in organ donation consent rates in NSW, Australia</b> Nicole De La Mata</p> <p><b>VSEAC: Making sure everyone learns from experience</b> Jeremy Chapman</p>
3.15 pm – 3.30 pm	<b>Afternoon tea</b>	Level 1, Foyer 1.3
3.30 pm – 5.00 pm	<b>Plenary Session 2 - Research and innovation</b> <i>Chairs: Michael O'Leary and Alison Hodak</i>	Meeting Room 105 & 106
3.30 pm – 3.55 pm	<b>The role of innovation in science and clinical practice in donation and transplantation</b> Jayme Locke	Meeting Room 105 & 106
3.55 pm – 4.20 pm	<b>Using audience insights to inform community engagement</b> Brianna Elms	Meeting Room 105 & 106
4.20 pm – 4.50 pm	<b>Role and challenges of donor tissues for research and innovation</b> Marisa Herson	Meeting Room 105 & 106
4.50 pm – 5.00 pm	<b>Q&amp;A for all speakers</b>	Meeting Room 105 & 106
5.00 pm – 7.00 pm	<b>Networking event and poster viewing</b>	Level 1, Foyer 1.3

Thursday, 15 May

Time	Session		Location
8.15 am – 3:15 pm	<b>Registration desk open</b>		Level 1, Foyer 1.4
9.00 am – 10.30 am	<b>Plenary Session 3 - Workforce and wellbeing</b> <i>Chairs: Stephen Warrilow and Madhu Raman</i>		Meeting Room 105 & 106
9.00 am – 9.30 am	<b>Challenges and rewards of working in donation and transplantation</b> Elmi Muller		Meeting Room 105 & 106
9.30 am – 9.50 am	<b>Coping with grief (virtual presentation)</b> Kim Grayson		Meeting Room 105 & 106
9.50 am – 10.10 am	<b>DonatLife Victoria (DLV) perspective on workforce</b> Justine Holloway		Meeting Room 105 & 106
10.10 am – 10.30 am	<b>Panel discussion</b> Elmi Muller, Kim Grayson (virtual), Michael O'Leary and Annabelle Paton <i>Facilitators: Justine Holloway and Madhu Raman</i>		Meeting Room 105 & 106
10.30 am – 11.00 am	<b>Morning tea</b>		Level 1, Foyer 1.3
11.00 am – 12.15 pm	<b>Concurrent Sessions</b>		
<b>Concurrent Session 5 - Paediatrics</b>			<b>Concurrent Session 6 - International landscape</b>
Meeting Room 105 & 106 <i>Chairs: Elena Cavazzoni and Lara Wynd</i>			Meeting Room 103 <i>Chairs: Nabeela Shihab and Dashiell Gantner</i>
<b>UK CODE - paediatric update (virtual presentation)</b> Omer Aziz			<b>Learnings from Canada - Organ Donation after Voluntary Assisted Dying (VAD)</b> Larna Woodyatt
<b>Neonatal renal graft transplants</b> Rebecca Barzegar and Mel Short			<b>A trip to Spain and the UK - what we brought back</b> Tony Holland, Dashiell Gantner and Sam Radford
<b>Impact of Broader Use of DCD donation on Waitlist Outcomes for US Children Awaiting Heart Transplant</b> Christopher Almond			<b>State of play and future of xenotransplantation</b> Jayme Locke
<b>Paediatric heart valves - what is the need?</b> Prem Venugopal			<b>Q&amp;A</b>
			<b>Voluntary Assisted Dying (VAD) and lung donation: a new frontier for lung transplantation</b> Bronwyn Levvey
			<b>Is a nudge as good as a licence to save lives?</b> Shelley-Lee Waller and Tina Coco
			<b>Open Your Eyes – the vision to expand tissue donation to the regions</b> Josephine Reoch
			<b>Building cultural safety for the Indigenous organ donor and their whānau (family)</b> Jen Calius and Rosie Stewart

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12.15 pm – 1.00 pm	<b>Lunch</b>	Level 1, Foyer 1.3
1.00 pm – 3.00 pm	Plenary Session 4 - Conference close - Where to now? <i>Chairs: Helen Opdam and Steve Chadban</i>	Meeting Room 105 & 106
1.00 pm – 1.30 pm	<b>What does the future hold for MPHO (medical products of human origin)? (virtual presentation)</b> Efstratios (Stratos) Chatzixiros	Meeting Room 105 & 106
1.30 pm – 1.50 pm	<b>Donation practices in Australia - next opportunities</b> Helen Opdam	Meeting Room 105 & 106
1.50 pm – 2.10 pm	<b>Transplantation practices in Australia - next opportunities</b> Steve Chadban	Meeting Room 105 & 106
2.10 pm – 2.30 pm	<b>Equity in allocation – leading the way in Australia</b> Kate Wyburn (TSANZ)	Meeting Room 105 & 106
2.30 pm – 2.50 pm	<b>Awards</b> Lucinda Barry	Meeting Room 105 & 106
2.50 pm – 3.00 pm	<b>Conference close</b> Lucinda Barry	Meeting Room 105 & 106

## Poster presenters

Presenter	Presentation title	Location
<b>Alex Kazemi</b>	Safeguarding Last Wishes: A Collaborative Process for Developing an Ethical Framework for Donation after Assisted Dying	Level 1, Foyer 1.4
<b>Andrei Darie</b>	Assessing the individual and cumulative impact of donor risk factors on lung transplant survival	Level 1, Foyer 1.4
<b>Andrew Turner</b>	A Poisonous Decision – Exploring medical suitability	Level 1, Foyer 1.4
<b>Chantel Bartolo</b>	A review of the suitability of coronial cases for tissue donation over the last decade	Level 1, Foyer 1.4
<b>Grace Southwell</b>	Navigating beyond the audit: Exploring referral themes - the key to bridging the gap in donor referral practice	Level 1, Foyer 1.4
<b>James Hedley</b>	Metrics For Assessing Donor Coordination Complexity of The Kidney Allocation System	Level 1, Foyer 1.4

<b>Kath Dulay</b>	Utilising extended criteria donor kidneys with prostate cancer for female recipients over seventy: Case study and NSW tissue typing first.	Level 1, Foyer 1.4
<b>Lachlan McMichael</b>	How big is our blind spot? Estimating the burden of organ failure unmet by transplantation.	Level 1, Foyer 1.4
<b>Lachlan McMichael</b>	Access to Waitlisting and Kidney Transplantation for Patients with Incident Kidney Failure in Australia and the United Kingdom	Level 1, Foyer 1.4
<b>Monique Drury</b>	Innovative Approaches: Using Hi-Fidelity Simulation for Advancing Donation Specialist Nurse Proficiency	Level 1, Foyer 1.4
<b>Shevaun Walker</b>	Minimising Variability in Circulatory Death Donation: A Checklist to Enhance Care and Build Staff Confidence	Level 1, Foyer 1.4
<b>Tanya Pitt</b>	Bridging the gaps – collaborating with organ and tissue donation clinical champions to break barriers and improving donation outcomes.	Level 1, Foyer 1.4
<b>Yoni Hope-Hodgetts</b>	Navigating the Frontier of Donation After Circulatory Determination of Death: The balance of honouring donor patients and improving transplant outcomes.	Level 1, Foyer 1.4