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# Follow on from CT Assessment case study

RTC/Living donor co-ordinator induction  
1<sup>st</sup> October 2021


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## **62 yr old Female IPF**

### **Timeline**

- 21<sup>st</sup> December – Primary assessment
  - 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2 day in patient assessment
  - 23<sup>rd</sup> March discussed at MDT, decision to list
  - 1<sup>st</sup> April Surgical review and RTC listing talk
  - 6<sup>th</sup> April RTC 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> check
  - 7<sup>th</sup> April listed on routine list for B/L transplant, also suitable for left single lung
  - 10<sup>th</sup> June OP review moved to National Urgent list
  - 27<sup>th</sup> July transplanted Left single lung
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# Heart/Lung Assessment Investigations

Echocardiogram

Full blood screens

Bone Densitometry

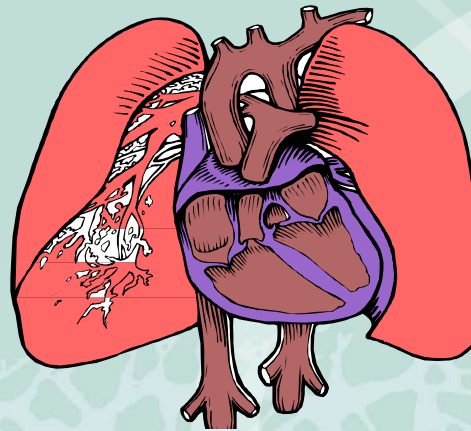
Lung Function

Blood Group

Sputum/Urine Micro

Lung Perfusion scan

MRI Diaphragm



Right Heart Catheter


CPEX – exercise testing

6 min walk test

Dental, smear, mammogram updates



## Assessment Results

- HT: 1.73 WT: 68.4kg BMI: 23
  - 6MWT 563m, Sats 83% on 6L O<sub>2</sub>
  - Perfusion scan RT: 63% LT: 37%
  - Diaphragm screen normal
  - Echo LV & RV normal size and function
  - Coronary angiogram – no CAD
  - Blood Group – O Pos, Virology – CMV Pos, HLA Negative
  - Lung function FEV<sub>1</sub> 1.10 (40%) FVC 1.38 (39%) TLC 2.50 (pred TLC 5.63)
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## Consent & Listing

### Surgical plan


- Bilateral Lung = 4.0 – 4.75L
- Left single lung = 4.0 – 5.0L
- Bilateral anterior thoracotomies off pump
- Surgical consent form

### Listing with RTC

- Tissue Bank
  - Donor choices
  - Contact details
  - Calling in/false alarms
  - Follow up
  - Social media guidance/donor correspondence
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## Transplant

- Donor offer 25<sup>th</sup> July @ 21:50
  - Donor 150cm, WT 82kg BMI 36, 54yr old Female. TLC 4.11 CVA
  - PO2 54 on 100%
  - CMV Negative
  - 22:20 B/L accepted
  - KTS 26<sup>th</sup> July 04:38
  - Concerns over Rt Lung – consolidation RLL
  - Accept Lt single lung
  - Donor X clamp 06:49
  - Recipient clamp off 14:10
  - Total ischemic time 441 mins
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MDT Outcome

**Suitable** → **Onto Waiting List – now / or in future**

**Too Well** → **Review/Follow up/ await Referral back**

**Not suitable** → **Aim to optimise/refer back to local team**

**Further investigations / weight loss or gain may be needed**

**Patient Decision**





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## How do we Match Heart and Lung Patients to Suitable

Different Centres have different feelings on how to match hearts

Lungs straightforward.....if there is such a thing





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Donor [clear](#)

Units: Metric / Imperial

SexFemale

Age45

Height (m)1.78

Weight (kg)80

Recipient [clear](#)

SexMale

Age60

Height (m)1.78

Weight (kg)80

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-15% mismatch

SuitabilityCaution advised

PHM Ratio0.85

Donor Mass (g)158.83

Recipient Mass (g)186.36

Difference (g)-27.53

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SuitabilitySuitable

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## Cardiac Transplant Assessment 56yr old - ICM

172 cm 58.2kg BMI 19.6

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- VF in the context of acute coronary syndrome with angiogram confirming occluded proximal LAD with PCI to LAD, initial ejection fraction 32% with akinesis identified in his septum, anterior and all apical segments with subsequent cardiac MRI confirming ejection fraction of 16% with apical thrombus
- Family history of heart disease, High cholesterol
- COVID April 2020.

	HF risk score (mortality)			
	<u>1 yr</u>	<u>2yr</u>	<u>3yr</u>	<u>5yr</u>
SHFM	4.4%	8.8%		23%
MAGGIC	11%		26%	

6mwt: 561metres (BORG 0.5)

FEV1: 2.69 (87% pred) FVC: 3.93 (101% pred)

VO2 Max: 33.6 (58% pred) RER: 1.37

VE:VCO2 slope: 35.41

### Blood tests 19/04/21

Haemoglobin 136

Platelets 172

Albumin 37

Bilirubin 17

Serum sodium 140

Creatinine 94

Uric Acid 512 Blood group – B Pos

NT Pro BNP 6882 HLA - awaited

### ECHO – Summary

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## Lung Sizing



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Male TLC = Ht (m) x 7.99 – 7.08			
Height (m)	TLC (L)	Height (m)	TLC (L)
1.40	4.11	1.70	6.50
1.41	4.19	1.71	6.58
1.42	4.27	1.72	6.66
1.43	4.35	1.73	6.74
1.44	4.43	1.74	6.82
1.45	4.51	1.75	6.90
1.46	4.59	1.76	6.98
1.47	4.67	1.77	7.06
1.48	4.75	1.78	7.14
1.49	4.83	1.79	7.22
1.50	4.91	1.80	7.30
1.51	4.98	1.81	7.38
1.52	5.06	1.82	7.46
1.53	5.14	1.83	7.54
1.54	5.22	1.84	7.62
1.55	5.30	1.85	7.70
1.56	5.38	1.86	7.78
1.57	5.46	1.87	7.86
1.58	5.54	1.88	7.94
1.59	5.62	1.89	8.02
1.60	5.70	1.90	8.10
1.61	5.78	1.91	8.18
1.62	5.86	1.92	8.26
1.63	5.94	1.93	8.34
1.64	6.02	1.94	8.42
1.65	6.10	1.95	8.50
1.66	6.18	1.96	8.58
1.67	6.26	1.97	8.66
1.68	6.34	1.98	8.74
1.69	6.42	1.99	8.82

Female TLC = Ht (m) x 6.6 – 5.79			
Height (m)	TLC (L)	Height (m)	TLC (L)
1.40	3.45	1.70	5.43
1.41	3.52	1.71	5.50
1.42	3.58	1.72	5.56
1.43	3.65	1.73	5.63
1.44	3.71	1.74	5.69
1.45	3.78	1.75	5.76
1.46	3.85	1.76	5.83
1.47	3.91	1.77	5.89
1.48	3.98	1.78	5.96
1.49	4.04	1.79	6.02
1.50	4.11	1.80	6.09
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1.52	4.24	1.82	6.22
1.53	4.31	1.83	6.29
1.54	4.37	1.84	6.35
1.55	4.44	1.85	6.42
1.56	4.51	1.86	6.49
1.57	4.57	1.87	6.55
1.58	4.64	1.88	6.62
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1.64	5.03	1.94	7.01
1.65	5.10	1.95	7.08
1.66	5.17	1.96	7.15
1.67	5.23	1.97	7.21
1.68	5.30	1.98	7.28
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# Transplant Assessment

## 54yrs Female – Hypersensitive Pneumonitis



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### Respiratory Function

159cm, 73.4kg, BMI 24

#### PMH:

- ILD (fibrotic HP with UIP pattern)
- Minimal movement of right diaphragm on USS
- Minor coronary atheroma
- Pulmonary Hypertension (mPAP) 36mmHG with dilated RV on ECHO.
- Vit D deficiency

#### Blood tests 10/05/21

Haemoglobin 181  
Platelets 305  
Albumin 36  
Bilirubin 11  
ALP 83  
Creatinine 75

Blood group A Pos  
HLA- CRF 89% MFI > 2000

#### RHC 15/12/20

PAP	36 (60/19)
TPG	33
CO (Fick)	4.98
CI (Fick)	2.58
PVR (Fick)	6.63

FEV1	1.60 (43%)
FVC	1.73 (36%)
PEF	9.36
KCO	0.78
TLCO	1.84
RV	0.91
TLC	2.67
Pred TLC	6.42

#### ECHO 15/12/2020

1. Dimensionally normal LV with overall good systolic function. LVEF 65%. Grade I diastolic function
2. Dilated RV with impaired function – FAC 26%
3. No significant valve disease. At least probability of PHT likely underestimated suggest correlation with RHC.



# Transplant Assessment 58yrs Male - ILD



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177cm 86.8kg BMI 27.7

## PMH-

Interstitial Lung Disease (with possible connective tissue features)

Pulmonary Hypertension

Previous Hypertension

Hypercholesterolaemia

Diabetes

**Perfusion Scan - Right 53% Left 47%**

**MRI:** Normal excursion of the right and left hemidiaphragms

**6mwt – 90meters, min Sats 89% on 5L O<sub>2</sub>**

## **ECHO 08/03/21**

1. Severely dilated right ventricle size, mild RVH with overall moderate to severely impaired systolic function.
2. Moderate to severe TR. sPAP estimated at 108 to 113 mmHg. Mild to Moderate PR. mPAP estimated at 67 to 72mmHg.
3. Severely dilated right atrium. Dilated main pulmonary artery and IVC.
4. Small/underfill left ventricle size, wall thickness and systolic function. Significant septal flattening was consistent with right ventricular pressure and volume overload. No RWMAs noted.
5. Normal left atrium size.
6. Small to moderate posterior pericardial effusion noted with no hemodynamic compromise

## Blood tests

**Haemoglobin** 159

**Platelets** 192

**Albumin** 40

**Bilirubin** 15

**ALP** 95

**Creatinine** 126

**Blood group – O pos**

**HLA- cRf 15% MFI > 5000**

## Respiratory Function

FEV1	2.23 (64%)
FVC	2.70 (60%)
PEF	466
KCO	0.57 (40%)
TLCO	1.76 (20%)
RV	1.24
TLC	3.80
Pred TLC	7.06



# Transplant Assessment

## 60yrs - COPD

181cm 73.3 kg BMI 22

### PMH-

COPD

Diverticulosis

### 6mwt –

68meters, min Sats 95% on  
5L02

### Blood tests

Haemoglobin	152
Platelets	226
Albumin	40
Bilirubin	9
ALP	52
Creatinine	60

Blood group A POS

HLA- No HLA Antibodies



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### Respiratory Function

FEV1	0.33 (9%)
FVC	1.80 (37%)
PEF	210
KCO	0.64 (45%)
TLCO	2.14
RV	--
TLC	13.71 (186%)
Pred TLC	7.38

### ECHO 08/02/21

1. Normal size left ventricle with visually normal systolic function. Flattening of the IVS consistent with right ventricle pressure overload.
2. Unable to measure right ventricle. RV appears to be normal size in parasternal short axis views with mildly impaired systolic function at most. RV hypertrophy noted.
3. sPAP estimated at 57mmHg + RAP.
4. Unable to measure right atrium. Normal size left atrium.





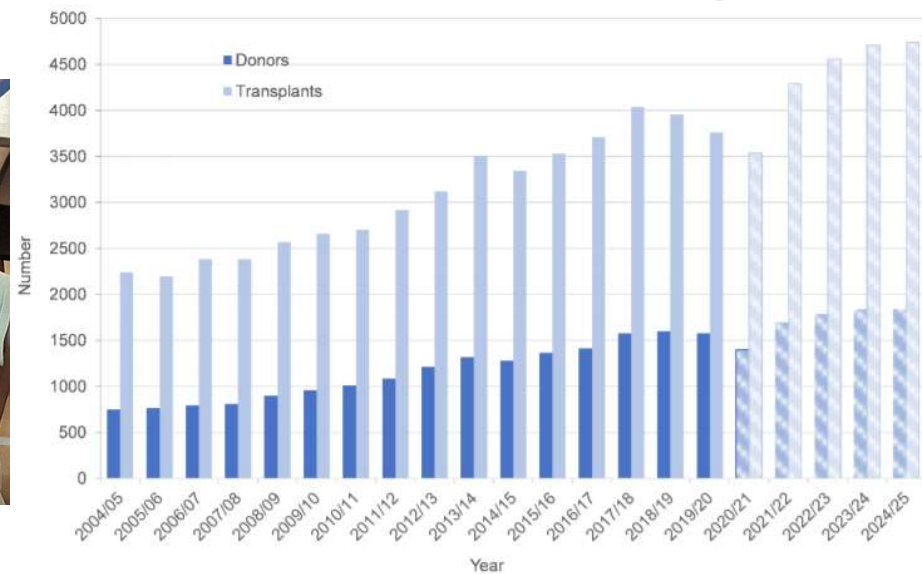
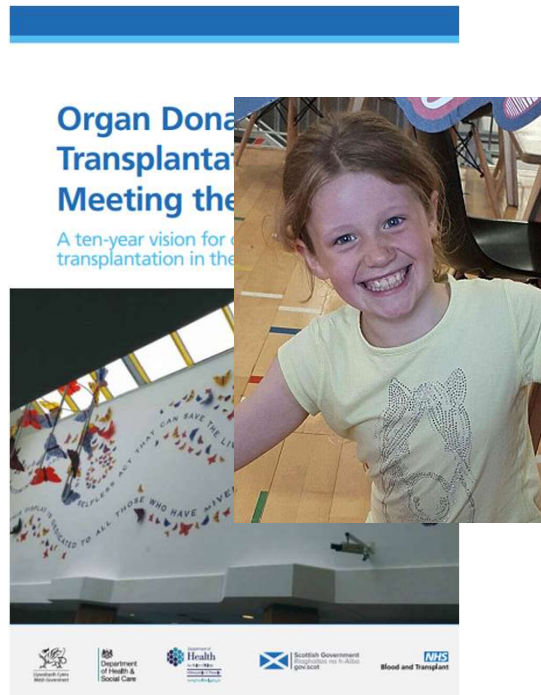
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# The Future

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# DCD Donation

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US		DISCUSSION An uncontrolled DCD organ donation programme in the RIE might be able to enrol around four patients per year potentially allowing up to eight extra renal transplants per annum. With a steady rise of people on the ODR <sup>5</sup> it is not unreasonable to anticipate that these numbers may increase in the future. Such programmes have been proven to be beneficial and sustainable in the long run. Spain for example, has been doing Category II DCD for years, and consistently reports success. <sup>6-8</sup> There are many ethical, legal and clinical challenges to setting up such an uncontrolled DCD organ donation programme; however, with the publication of two important Academy of Medical Royal Colleges documents, <sup>9 10</sup> there is now some much needed UK guidance in the area of the diagnosis of death and DCD organ donation. The ethical, legal and clinical challenges of uncontrolled DCD will continually need to be reviewed as practices change and new interventions in the field of cardiac	Portugal	
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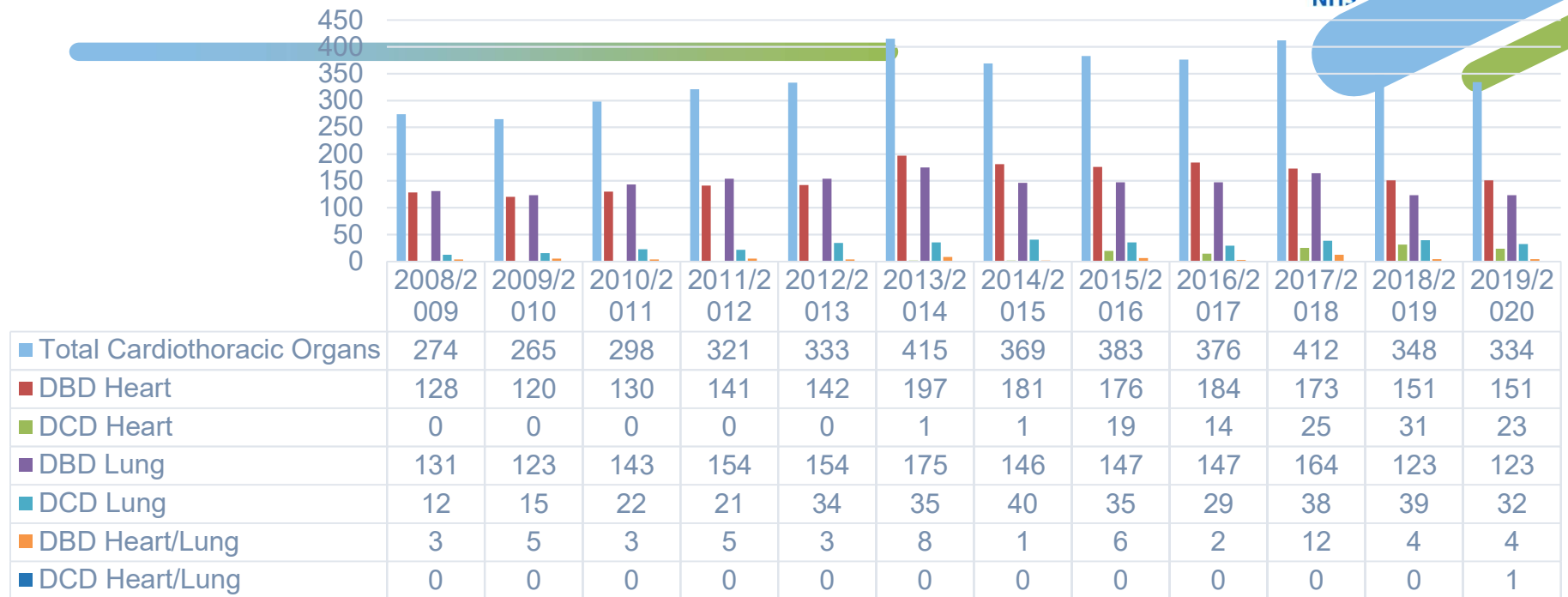
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# Cardiothoracic Organs Transplanted in the UK

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■ Total Cardiothoracic Organs 
 ■ DBD Heart 
 ■ DCD Heart 
 ■ DBD Lung 
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 ■ DBD Heart/Lung 
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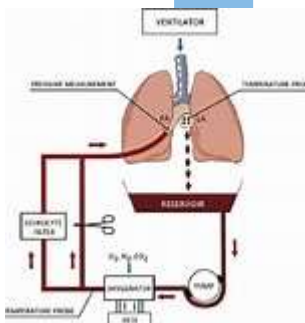


reperfusion injury that follows.

In a study in humans comparing the outcome after HTx from DCD and DBD donors,<sup>30</sup> EVHP was used for normothermic preservation, transport, and biochemical assessment in all DCD hearts. DCD heart retrieval used one of two differing techniques: normothermic regional perfusion (NRP) or direct procurement and perfusion (DPP). NRP describes a technique whereby perfusion is restored to the arrested heart while still in situ (with exclusion of the cerebral circulation). This approach enables post-warm-ischemia functional assessment of the heart in the donor by pulmonary artery catheter measurements and transesophageal echocardiography. This technique, however, is limited in numerous countries by ethical objection to the restoration of circulation in a deceased donor. The alternative to NRP is DPP, whereby the heart is removed directly after flush with a cold cardioplegia solution and installed and reperfused on EVHP. In DPP, functional assessment of the DCD heart is not possible and, therefore, levels of biomarkers in the EVHP perfusate are used to reflect allograft viability. The study was a single-center observational matched cohort study to compare patients who received transplants of DCD donor hearts with matched recipients who received transplants of DBD donor hearts. Twenty-eight DCD heart transplants were performed with almost equal numbers of DCD hearts procured by either NRP or DPP. Survival at 90 days (DCD 92%, DBD 96%,  $P = 1.0$ ), hospital length of stay, allograft function, and 1-year survival (DCD 86%, DBD 88%,  $P = .98$ ) were comparable between groups. The retrieval method (NRP vs DPP) was not associated with a difference in outcome. Early cardiac output was, however, better in the DCD group ( $2.5$  vs  $2.1$  L/min/m<sup>2</sup>,  $P = .04$ ), possibly explained by the avoidance of myocardial injury caused by the catecholamine storm during brain death in DBD donors and/or a possible effect of ischemic preconditioning after WLST in DCD donors.



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# Novel Techniques and Technologies

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Transplant team win  
Royal Papworth Hospital's organ retrieval  
'award' for  
DCD heart transplants

25 February 2021  
The organ retrieval team's  
[pioneering work on paediatric](#)

Alongside Great Ormond  
[and British Transplant](#)

Mr Pradeep Kaul, Consultant  
award via video call on behalf

The two hospitals performed  
pandemic.

They are the first DCD paediatric transplants in the  
perfusion machine called the Transmedics Organ Care

Under the collaboration, Royal Papworth's organ retrieval  
it's health and performance before delivering it to Great

Richard Quigley, Lead Nurse for Transplant at Royal Papworth  
category for his exemplary work in caring for our transplant

## The role of in patients organ donors

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Transplant  
Circulation

## Donor Simvastatin Treatment in Heart Transplantation A Randomized and Blinded Clinical Trial

Editorial, see p 641

**BACKGROUND:** Ischemia-reperfusion injury may compromise the short-term and long-term prognosis after heart transplantation. Experimental studies show that simvastatin administered to the organ donor is vasculoprotective and inhibits cardiac allograft ischemia-reperfusion injury.

**METHODS:** Eighty-four multiorgan donors were randomly assigned to receive 80 mg of simvastatin (42 donors) via nasogastric tube after declaration of brain death and upon acceptance as a cardiac donor, or to receive no simvastatin (42 donors). The primary efficacy end point was postoperative plasma troponin T and I levels during the first 24 hours after heart transplantation. Secondary end points included postoperative hemodynamics, inflammation, allograft function, rejections and rejection treatments, and mortality.

**RESULTS:** Organ donor simvastatin treatment significantly reduced the heart recipient plasma levels of troponin T by 34% ( $14\,900 \pm 12\,100$  ng/L to  $9800 \pm 7900$  ng/L,  $P=0.047$ ), and troponin I by 40% ( $171\,000 \pm 151\,000$  ng/L to  $103\,000 \pm 109\,000$  ng/L,  $P=0.023$ ) at 6 hours after reperfusion, the levels of NT-proBNP (N-terminal pro-B-type natriuretic peptide) by 36% ( $32\,800 \pm 24\,300$  ng/L to  $20\,900 \pm 15\,900$  ng/L;  $P=0.011$ ) at 1 week, and the number of rejection treatments with hemodynamic compromise by 53% within the first 30 days ( $P=0.046$ ). Donor simvastatin treatment did not affect donor lipid levels but was associated with a specific transplant myocardial biopsy gene expression profile, and a decrease in recipient postoperative plasma levels of CXCL10 (C-X-C motif chemokine 10), interleukin-1 $\alpha$ , placental growth factor, and platelet-derived growth factor-BB. Postoperative hemodynamics, biopsy-proven acute rejections, and mortality were similar. No adverse effects were seen in recipients receiving noncardiac solid organ transplants from simvastatin-treated donors.

**CONCLUSIONS:** Donor simvastatin treatment reduces biomarkers of myocardial injury after heart transplantation, and—also considering its documented general safety profile—may be used as a novel, safe, and inexpensive adjunct therapy in multiorgan donation.

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