

**2025 Transplant Infectious Diseases Day
National Convention Centre Canberra
Preliminary Program**

Friday 20th June 2025

Chair: Dr Lana Sundac and Dr Peter Boan

Block 1: The nuts and bolts of the donation process in Australia

09:00-09:05 Welcome

Dr Peter Boan and Dr Tina Marinelli

09:05-09:25 Overview of the organ donation process relevant to infectious diseases

A/Prof Helen Opdam

09:25-09:45 The electronic donor record

Dr Rohit D'Costa

09:45-10:05 The pitfalls that microbiology lab wants you to know about testing of donors

Dr Rebecca Davis

09:00 - 10:40

10:05-10:40 **Interactive session:** when donor infection testing impacts the decision to accept a donor

A/Prof Helen Opdam, Dr Rohit D'Costa, Dr Rebecca Davis, Professor Cameron Wolfe

10:40-11:10

Morning Tea

Chair: Dr Bradley Gardiner and Dr Rebekah Lane

Block 2: : The donor: Specific challenging scenarios and avoiding missed opportunities

11:10-11:40 Blood borne viruses and organ donation, where are we in 2025?

Professor Cameron Wolfe
Dr Annaliese van Dieman

11:40-12:00 Infection risks specific to potential Australian organ donors

11:10-12:40

12:00-12:40 **Panel discussion:** donors with infectious syndromes at time of donation

Professor Cameron Wolfe, Dr Annaliese van Dieman, Professor Kate Wyburn, Dr David Darley, Dr Olivia Smibert, 1 x transplant consumer

12:40-13:40

Lunch

Chair: Dr Tina Marinelli and Dr Beatrice Sim

Block 3: Recipient: the interplay between organ transplant and infections

13:40-14:00 How immunosuppressed is my patient? What is their infection risk?

Dr Matthew Roberts
A/Prof Ross Francis (Kidney)
Dr Chandima Divithotawela (Lung)
Dr Graham Starkey (Liver)
Dr Kanthi Vemuri (Heart) Dr

14:00-15:00 Rapid fire updates: organ specific practices and procedures that impact infection

13:40-15:40

15:00-15:40 **Panel discussion:** Recipients with active infections at the time of transplant/listing

Professor Cameron Wolfe, Dr Chandima Divithotawela, A/Prof Ross Francis, Mr Graham Starkey, Dr Kanthi Vemuri, Dr Matthew Roberts

15:40-16:10

Afternoon Tea

Chair: Dr Peter Boan and Dr Priya Garg

Block 4: Bringing it all together

16:10-16:30 The ANZDATA experience

Dr Georgina Irish

16:10-17:00

16:30-16:50 **Panel discussion:** Where to from here? How do we design a system to collect data in Australia and NZ on donor and recipient infections?

Professor Cameron Wolfe, A/Prof Helen Opdam, Prof Chien Li Holmes-Liew, Dr Olivia Smibert, Dr Georgina Irish

16:50-17:00 Wrap up and thanks

Dr Peter Boan and Dr Tina Marinelli

17:00-19:00

Social function: Drinks and canapes at the venue