Renal Transplant Symposium Agenda

November 14, 2026

8:00am - 9:20am PT	**BREAKFAST REGISTRATION**
9:20am - 9:30am PT	**Session I - Novel Therapies for Antibody-Mediated Rejection (ABMR)** Moderators: Gabriel Danovitch / Supreet Sethi **Welcome & Opening Remarks** Reza Abdi
9:30am - 9:40am PT	**“New Frontier in Desensitization: Two patients, Two therapies.”** Kassem Safa
9:40am - 10:05am PT	**“Targeting Plasma cells and B cells with anti-CD3 iTEs (bi-specific T Cell Engagers) therapies for desensitization”** Flavio Vincenti
10:05am - 10:30am PT	**“Lessons from B Cell Directed Therapies in Cancer”** Sara Larson
10:30am - 10:55am PT	**“Advances in Prevention & Treatment of Antibody-Mediated Rejection”** Stanley Jordan
10:55am - 11:20am PT	**“Targeting antibody- and NK cell-driven kidney transplant rejection”** Georg Böhmig
11:20am - 11:45am PT	**“Delayed Immune Tolerance”** Jeff Veale
11:45am - 12:00pm PT	**Panel Discussion**
12:00pm - 1:00pm PT	**LUNCH**
1:00pm - 1:10pm PT	**Session II - Biomarkers for Kidney Transplant Rejection** Moderators: Julie Yabu / Basmah Abdalla
1:10pm - 1:30pm PT	**“Molecular phenotyping of transplant rejection and injury”** Philip Halloran

1:30pm - 1:50pm PT	**“The role of HLA and non-HLA antibodies in renal transplantation”** Elaine Reed
1:50pm - 2:10pm PT	**“New Pathology of Cardiac and Renal Antibody-Mediated Rejection”** Neal Smith
2:10pm - 2:30pm PT	**“dd-CFDNA in Kidney Transplant”** Mike Bunnapradist
2:30pm - 2:40pm PT	**BREAK**
2:40pm - 3:00pm PT	**Session III - Xenotransplantation and Tolerance** Moderators: Peter Heeger / Jerzy Kupiec **“Xenotransplantation: Lessons and Horizons”** David Cooper/Shikhar Tripathi
3:00pm - 3:20pm PT	**“Engineering Hope: Enabling the First Porcine Kidney Transplants in Humans”** Michael Curtis
3:20pm - 3:40pm PT	**“Genetically modified Auckland Island organ source pigs”** Eckhard Wolf
3:40pm - 4:00pm PT	**“Clinical Kidney Xenotransplantation: The Massachusetts General Hospital Experience”** Leonardo Riella
4:00pm - 4:20pm PT	**“The True potential of Cardiac Xenotransplantation: Two-Year Survival in an Animal Model”** John David Cleveland (USC)
4:20pm - 4:30pm PT	**Panel Discussion**
4:30pm - 4:50pm PT	**Session IV – Engineering Innovations in Transplantation** Moderators: Andre Nel / Eric Lum **“Precision Immune Therapy in Organ Transplantation”** Reza Abdi
4:50pm - 5:10pm PT	**"Kidney Engineering from Human Stem Cells.”** Zhongwei Li
5:10pm - 5:30pm PT	**“The next Chapter in Ex-vivo Heart and lung Perfusion”** Abbas Ardehali

5:30pm - 5:50pm PT	**“Real-Time Biosensing for Organ Transplantation: Assessing Graft Viability During Ex Situ Machine Perfusion”** Yangzhi Zhu
5:50pm - 5:55pm PT	**Closing Remarks** Gabriel Danovitch