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Winter Transplantation Ethics Symposium

24 November 2016
Mary Ward House, London

Organ Donation and Transplantation Research Design:
Professional Responsibilities And Patients Rights

09.30	Registration and coffee	
09.50	Welcome and introduction	
Session 1: RESEARCH, RETENTION and RIGHTS		Chair: Antonia Cronin
10.00	An interview with David and Hazel Thewlis	Antonia Cronin
10.40	Debate: This house believes there is not enough patient/public involvement in organ donation and transplantation research design	Antonia Cronin
10.45	PRO	Hugh Whittall
11.00	CON	Brian Davidson
11.30	COFFEE	
Session 2: KEY NOTE LECTURES		Chair: Anne-Marie Slowther
12.00	Patient and public involvement in research design	Simon Denegri
12.30	NHSBT research and development strategy	Nick Watkins
13.00	LUNCH	
Session 3: ETHICAL ISSUES IN RESEARCH DESIGN		Chair: Anya Adair
14.00	Case 1: Deceased donor abdominal transplantation research	Peter Friend
14.30	Case 2: Deceased donor cardiothoracic transplantation research	Stephen Large
15.00	Case 2 : Cell therapy	John Casey
15.30	Debate revisited	
16.00	Close	

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Speaker Information

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Antonia Cronin is a Consultant Nephrologist at Guy's and St. Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust and Honorary Senior Lecturer at the MRC Centre for Transplantation, King's College, London. She is Chair of the British Transplantation Society Ethics Committee.

Anne-Marie Slowther is a Reader in Clinical Ethics at Warwick Medical School and Clinical Ethicist at the University Hospital of Coventry and Warwick. She is Chair of the UK Clinical Ethics Network. She is a member of the Editorial Committee of the journal *Clinical Ethics*, and the Governing Body of the Institute of Medical Ethics. She is also a part-time inner city GP.

Anya Adair is a Consultant Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgeon and Honorary Clinical Senior Lecturer at the Transplant Unit of the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh. She is a member of the British Transplantation Society Ethics Committee.

Hugh Whittall is Director of the Nuffield Council on Bioethics. He oversees all areas of the Council's work and contributes to its long-term strategy. Before taking the role of Director in February 2007, he held senior positions at the Department of Health, the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority, and the European Commission. He oversaw the preparation and passage of the Human Tissue Act 2004 and the setting up of the Human Tissue Authority.

Brian Davidson is a Consultant Surgeon with major interests in Hepato-Biliary (HPB) surgery and liver transplant. He is UK editor of the Cochrane HPB group for evidence-based healthcare and director of the UCL MSc in evidence based medicine. He works closely with patient groups on research advances in the HPB field and leads a research programme involving evidence based healthcare, organ preservation and tissue engineering.

Simon Denegri is National Director for Patients and the Public in Research at the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR), and Chair of INVOLVE – the national advisory group for the promotion and support of public involvement in research funded by NIHR. He was Chief Executive of the Association of Medical Research Charities (AMRC) from 2006 until 2011 and, prior to this, Director of Corporate Communications at the Royal College of Physicians from 2003. He worked in corporate communications for Procter & Gamble in the U.S. from 1997 to 2000. He has a long-standing interest in the needs and priorities of people with dementia and their carers. He is a member of the NIHR Advisory and Strategy Boards, a Board member of the UK Clinical Research Collaboration (UKCRC), Farr Institute and care.data programme. He blogs about the public and health research at <https://simondenegri.com/about/>

Nick Watkins is assistant Director of Research and Development (R&D) at NHS Blood and Transplant. He is responsible for the development and management of research strategy across NHS Blood and Transplant's eight research themes and accountable for governance, oversight and delivery of a £10M R&D programme. He is currently leading on a programme of work to develop and evaluate novel molecular technologies. Peter Friend is a Consultant Transplant and Hepato-Biliary (HPB) Surgeon and Director of the Oxford Transplant Centre. He has an experimental interest in the application of isolated perfusion of the liver, in particular, perfusion with oxygenated blood at normal body temperature to allow recovery from damage and extended preservation for transplantation. His clinical research includes pilot studies of novel immunosuppressive strategies and organisation of a multi centre national trial.

Stephen Large is a Consultant Cardiothoracic Surgeon at Papworth Hospital. He ran the heart transplant service from 1989 to the end of 2008. He developed the national mechanical heart assist programme in 2001 through his particular interest in the failing human heart. His research also incorporates pursuing the possibilities of expanding the human donor heart pool through collaboration with the clinical transplant teams in Cambridge and Stanford University.

John Casey is a Consultant Transplant Surgeon with an interest in laparoscopic surgery and Honorary Clinical Senior Lecturer at the University of Edinburgh. He is the Director and Lead Clinician for the Scottish National Islet Transplant Service in Edinburgh, which he helped establish. He is Chair of NHS Blood & Transplant UK Pancreas Islet Task Force and UK Pancreas Advisory Group. His principal research interest is in islet transplantation and the potential contribution of stem cells to the treatment of diabetes.

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