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Retrieving the pancreas for possible beta cell replacement therapy is to be considered in all organ donors.

Any pancreas from a donor <50 years old and with a BMI <30 should be considered for pancreas/pancreas-kidney recipients.

If not used for pancreas transplantation it is recommended that the organ is offered to the Rudbeck laboratory in Uppsala for islet isolation and possible transplantation. If there is consent for research this recommendation is to a maximum donor age of 80, otherwise the maximum age is 65.

A pancreas can be used without any limitation in own centre.

If there is no suitable recipient in own centre, the pancreas (and kidney if SPK) is recommended to be offered to ABO compatible recipients in other centres. The centre at the highest position on the rota list accepting the pancreas will receive it and be put last.

Shipment of a kidney is only performed if no other kidney exchange obligation with higher priority (as defined by Scandiatransplant) exists.

The receiving centre has the responsibility for the pancreas procurement.

The receiving centre has to pay back, as soon as possible, with an ABO identical kidney of a quality acceptable to the recipient centre.

There is no mandatory payback for the pancreas.

If a pancreas is not used for transplantation or islet isolation, the reason for this shall be recorded in Scandiatransplant.

An annual audit of the above will be performed in conjunction with a regular meeting of the NπTG.

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