Introduction
This second newsletter concerns corrections and developments in the existing Scandiatransplant system mainly based on topics from The Scandinavian Transplantation Society Congress 2010 in Helsinki and a visit to Göteborg. All newsletters you'll find on the web page http://www.scandiatransplant.org/news

Other news on the web page:
2. Minutes from Scandiatransplant board meeting may 2010 http://www.scandiatransplant.org/about-scandiatransplant/scandiatransplant-representatives/Sctp%20board%20nr%2057%20Helsinki%2018-19%20may%202010.pdf/view?searchterm=nr+57

Purpose
By this information letter we wish to communicate from the office about progress within the system, this so you can get the most out of the system. We hope that you will read it and shared the information with whom it might concern.
As always don't hesitated to contact us for further information.

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What’s new
1. Kidney exchange rules 3 and 5 have changed place
2. Recipient survival status
3. Display of patient STAMP status in waiting list report
4. Data extraction reports
5. Integrating NPRTSG data
6. Status on exchange compliance

... and in further details

Ad. 1 – Kidney exchange rules 3 and 5 have changed place
At the Council of Representatives Meeting on May 19th 2010 in Helsinki a proposal was made on behalf of NKG meeting 2009 and tissue typers meeting 2010. The proposal was to give STAMP patients higher priority by letting the existing exchange rules 3 and 5 change place. The proposal was approved by the Council of Representatives.

The agreement is effective from the 30th of June 2010

The order of the exchange rules are now:

1. Highly immunized (PRA 80%) patients who are HLA-A,-B,-DR compatible with donor.

2. Immunized patients (PRA 10% but below 80%) who are HLA,A,B,DR compatible with donor.

3. Patient with STAMP-status when all donor HLA-A, -B, -DR antigens are either shared with the recipient or are among those defined as acceptable.

4. If organ donor is <40 years of age, at least one kidney is offered to recipient <16 years of age (counted from time of registration), if there is HLA-DR compatibility and in addition not more than 2 HLA-A,B mismatches.

5. Patients who are HLA-A,-B,-DR compatible with donor.

You’ll also find the rules on the web page www.scandiatransplant.org under http://www.scandiatransplant.org/about-scandiatransplant/organisation/

Ad. 2 - Recipient survival status
The recipient survival status alive/dead is now displayed in “Updating Of Waiting List Data “ for all patients. This value is based on what is registered in
the system.
How to find it:
Main menu → Organ Transplantation → Recipient And Waiting List System → Updating Of Waiting List Data (5. line “Survival status”)

Ad. 3 - Display of patient STAMP status in waiting list report
In waiting list report it’s now possible to see if patients active on waiting list are being prepared for STAMP, ready to go on STAMP, on STAMP or temporarily of STAMP.
How to find it:
Main menu → Organ Transplantation → Recipient And Waiting List System → Updating Of Waiting List Data → enter a Scandia number → Press >F12< → enter down to Waiting List → Press >F7< → The STAMP status will be displayed below and to the right off “Notification Date”.

If the space is empty the patient is not on/considered for STAMP.
If a STAMP status and date is displayed and you place the cursor on the date and press >F7< you go directly to the STAMP record.

Ad. 4 - Data extraction reports
It’s possible to extract Transplantation, Notification and Withdrawal data from own centre for one or all organs.
How to find it:
Main menu → Waiting list reports
Manual:
When you enter the menu “Waiting list reports” you'll find the link www.scandiatransplant.org/man/Manual_Waiting_list_extraction_15jun2010.pdf on the top of the page. Click on it and you will find a manual that describes how to use the program.

Ad. 5 - Integrating NPRTSG data
The programming and import of data from the Nordic Pediatric Renal Transplant Study Group (NPRTSG) database into Scandiatransplant is now done. In the near future it will be possible for those interested to access and enter the follow up data on children directly into the Scandiatransplant system.

Ad. 6 – Status on exchange compliance
In newsletter date April 2010 an introduction to Organ Exchange Compliance Log was made. The following 3½ pages are based on extractions from this log. Please note that grouping off exchanges was done before the rules was changed 1st of July 2010. (rule 3 and 5 changing place).
Compliance to Scandiatransplant rules based on all donor searches performed in 1 year (1st of March 2009 to 28th of February 2010)

Number of donor searches with and without exchange obligation

Percentage comparison on the number of searches with and without exchange obligations
Grouping of exchanges based on Scandiatransplant rules

Scandiatransplant rules

1. Highly immunized (PRA > 80%) patients who are HLA-A,-B,-DR compatible with donor.

2. Immunized patients (PRA > 10% & < 80%) who are HLA,A,B,DR compatible with donor.

3. Patients who are HLA-A,-B,-DR compatible with donor.

4. If organ donor is <40 years of age, at least one kidney is offered to recipient <16 years of age (counted from time of registration), if there is HLA-DR compatibility and in addition not more than 2 HLA-A,B mismatches.

5. Patient with STAMP-status when all donor HLA-A, -B, -DR antigens are either shared with the recipient or are among those defined as acceptable.
Exchange obligation

Compliance to exchange obligations

Compliance to exchange obligations in percentage
Reasons that were not accepted for not following Scandiatransplant rules:

- The patient was transplanted already, but not removed from the waiting list
- A young donor where the kidney was given to a young recipient (own donor to own recipient).
- Kept the kidney themselves due to extreme age difference.

Reasons that were accepted for not following Scandiatransplant rules:

- Kidney damage and was not left to use for technical reasons
- Offered – recipient not transplantable
- Offered – tx. centre said no thanks
- Positive X-match
- Tx. centre didn't want a kidney from a old donor to a young patient.
- Problems with DQB1
- NOT sending organs to any centre, until they had own STAMP patients on kidney waiting list.
- Patient waiting on kidney AND liver