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Hesperis course online format

Hesperis is a course on organ transplantation addressed at professionals who are entering the field. The course provides participants with essential knowledge in five key areas of transplantation: immunology, indications, organ donation, recipient management, and regenerative medicine. In addition, special live sessions will be devoted to the impact of COVID-19 on organ transplantation, the patient perspective, and ethical challenges related to organ transplantation.

Educational model

The course is built according to the flipped classroom model. In this approach, direct instruction is moved from the group dimension to the virtual, self-paced, individual dimension. The group dimension, as a consequence, becomes a dynamic, interactive learning environment where the faculty guides participants in activities focussed on the application of concepts and facilitates discussion and exchange within the group.

Structure of the course

The course combines recorded lectures that learners can watch on their own schedule and a variety of activities pre- and post-lecture, including readings relevant to each unit, self-assessment quizzes, live Q&A sessions, case study discussions, faculty office hours, and a Journal Club.

Learning outcomes

This course provides an advanced introduction to the most relevant aspects of transplantation for physicians, surgeons and scientists entering the field of transplantation in a European transplant centre. After taking this course, participants will gain an extensive view of transplantation and will be able to adopt a multidisciplinary approach as a model to be implemented in their own transplant centres.

Audience

Physicians, surgeons and scientists who are entering the field of organ transplantation and wish to acquire the advanced, multidisciplinary knowledge and skills necessary to succeed.

Duration

The course will take 10 weeks to complete. Each unit will develop over two weeks.

KEY DATES AND DEADLINES

Registrations opening: October/November 2020
Registrations closing: February/March 2021

Member fee  500 EUR
Non Member fee:  700 EUR

The registration fee includes:
- Access in the scientific sessions/recorded lectures
- Access in the live sessions
- Access in all course material
- CME credits

The official language of the course is English. All participants must register online through the official website.
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Language
The official language of the course is English

Online registration
All participants must register online through the official website.

CME Accreditation
An application has been made to the EACCME® for CME accreditation of this event.

AIFA Procedure
Any Italian pharmaceutical company supporting or participating in a congress abroad is subjected to an authorisation by AIFA (Italian Drug Agency), according to an Italian Government Decree (Decreto Legislativo 219/06 – art. 124). The request for authorisation must be submitted within 60 days before the starting date of the event. The agency appointed to collect all applications from pharmaceutical companies and file them with the AIFA is:

AIM GROUP INTERNATIONAL - AIM EDUCATION S.R.L.
Cristina Ghidoli
Via G. Ripamonti, 129
20141 Milan, Italy
☎ aifa@aimgroup.eu
Week 0  
**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

**LECTURES**
- Welcome to the Hesperis Course
- How to navigate this course
- How to read a paper

**Weeks 1-2**  
**UNIT 1: IMMUNOLOGY**

**LECTURES**
- Basics on HLA (Human leukocyte antigen) typing
- Traditional and virtual Xmatch
- DSA (Donor-specific antibody)
- The jungle of immunosuppression: the surgeon’s point of view
- Tolerance: Where are we?

**ACTIVITIES**
- Self-assessment
- Readings
- Journal club
- Q&A sessions
- Case study discussions
- Office hours

**Weeks 3-4**  
**UNIT 2: INDICATIONS**

**LECTURES**
- Am I a candidate for a kidney transplant?
- Obesity and cardiovascular disease: any limits in management of donor and recipient?
- Are there new indications for abdominal transplantations?
- New trends in thoracic transplantation
- Indications and complications in islet cell transplantation

**ACTIVITIES**
- Self-assessment
- Readings
- Journal club
- Q&A sessions
- Case study discussions
- Office hours
Week 5-6  UNIT 3: DONATION

LECTURES
- Ethical issues in transplantation
- Technique multiorgan retrieval
- Live kidney donor
- Living donation rules in liver: pediatric and adults
- Living donation rules in kidney: pediatric and adults
- Machine perfusion

ACTIVITIES
Self-assessment
Readings
Journal club
Q&A sessions
Case study discussions
Office hours

Weeks 7-8  UNIT 4: RECIPIENT

LECTURES
- HBV (Hepatitis B virus), HCV (Hepatitis C virus) and HIV (human immunodeficiency virus) in transplant recipients: not only a liver problem
- Infection recurrence after transplantation
- Malignancies recurrence and de novo
- HCC (Hepatocellular carcinoma) management in liver transplantation
- Recurrent disease post kidney transplant

ACTIVITIES
Self-assessment
Readings
Journal club
Q&A sessions
Case study discussions
Office hours
Week 9

UNIT 5: REGENERATIVE MEDICINE

LECTURES

- The prospects of Regenerative Medicine
- Generation of mini-organs
- Cell therapies in organ transplantation
- Repair of organs through machine perfusion

ACTIVITIES

- Self-assessment
- Readings
- Journal club
- Q&A sessions
- Case study discussions
- Office hours

SPECIAL LIVE SESSIONS – To be scheduled during the course of the 10 weeks

- Management of COVID-19 – interactive session including patient representatives
- Out of the box session: Can we improve our attitude? The patient perspective
- Workshop: communicating with patients
EXPLORE THE VAST AND VARIED SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES. THE ESOT TEAM WILL HELP YOU BUILD A PACKAGE TO BEST FIT YOUR NEEDS. OUR BESPOKE APPROACH TO EACH SPONSOR WILL ENSURE THAT YOUR INVESTMENT LEADS TO A SUCCESSFUL EXPERIENCE.

Supporters of the course will be able to make the most out of their presence at course by generating unique leads to expand their business and create awareness of their brand.

Most importantly, by joining forces with ESOT, industry partners will contribute to medical education for transplant professionals across all fields.

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

You can select as many sponsorship items as you wish, from any category. Then, depending on the cumulative total of your sponsorship items, you will reach a certain sponsorship level, leading to extra benefits which are outlined in the table overleaf. For example, if your total adds up to € 20,000 you will reach Premium Sponsor level and therefore are eligible to take advantage of those associated benefits, in addition to the benefits already linked to each sponsorship item you have selected.

In addition to the sponsorship support, your company will receive significant exposure and recognition through the benefits mentioned below:

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CONTACT US

Don’t miss the opportunity to increase your organisation’s visibility during the Course and throughout the year. The sooner you get on board the more exposure you will have.

We look forward to having your organisation on board.

Please contact Devi Mey to secure your sponsorship opportunity before it’s gone.
ESOT Business Development Officer
devi.mey@esot.org

SPONSORSHIP BOOKING

Application for sponsorship
Application for sponsorship can be made in writing with the enclosed booking enquiry form to:
ESOT Office
Riviera dei Muggnai, 8/24
35137 Padova - Italy
devi.mey@esot.org

Terms of payment
100% payment upon receipt of the invoice.
All payments must be received before the start date of the course.

Payment methods
Name of account: ESOT Foundation (Steunstichting ESOT)
Bank account: 619645105
BIC/SWIFT No: ABNANL2A
IBAN No: NL48ABNA0619645105

Cancellation / reduction of items policy
Cancellation/Reduction of items must be made in writing to:
ESOT Office
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35137 Padova - Italy
devi.mey@esot.org

The organisers shall retain:
50% of the agreed package amount if the cancellation/reduction of items is made after signing of the agreement
100% of the agreed package amount if the cancellation/reduction of items is made until 22/12/2020
SPONSORSHIP BOOKING FORM

Please complete and send to: devi.mey@esot.org

CONTACT NAME

NAME OF COMPANY

ADDRESS

CITY ........................................ COUNTRY ........................................ CODE ........................................

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☐ Please send me a sponsorship contract and an invoice
☐ We have read the Terms & Conditions and agree to observe and be bound by them.

SIGNATURE: ........................................ DATE: ........................................

These terms are the contractual agreement between the Organiser and the Exhibiting Firm.
APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE
Application to participate will be considered only if submitted on the appropriate forms, duly completed, signed and accompanied by the necessary payment. Registration will be confirmed insofar as space is available. Applicants will be informed in writing of the acceptance or refusal of their application. In case of refusal, all payments shall be fully refunded within 60 days upon notification of refusal.

APPLICATION TERMS
ESOT reserves the right to accept or reject this application (the «Application») at its own discretion. Upon acceptance, a copy of the countersigned Application (being the sponsorship agreement, hereinafter the «Agreement») and an invoice will be sent to the Sponsor/Exhibitor. The first instalment must be paid within 21 days upon receipt of the invoice by the Sponsor/Exhibitor. Cancellation of part of the Agreement does not automatically result in the entire Agreement being terminated. ESOT reserves the right to amend the Course programme with a possible direct or indirect effect on sponsoring activities. If this is the case, ESOT will ensure that any changes cause as little hindrance as possible to the Sponsor/Exhibitor. Such amendments are not causing for cancellation of the present Agreement. In case of cancellation resulting from a «force majeure» clause, ESOT’s responsibility is limited to any unspent and uncommitted portion of the overall sponsorship amount contracted.

CANCELLATION
In case of cancellation received (in writing) as per the above policy.