What is immunosuppression?
The reduction in the normal immune function to lower the probability of organ rejection.
Immunosuppressants are necessary medications that are responsible for keeping the new kidney healthy and functioning.

To keep the new organ in good shape a patient must adhere to the medication schedule.
Immunosuppressive therapy is divided into:

**Induction therapy**
- Intense immunosuppression to prevent acute rejection in the period around the surgical procedure.

**Maintenance therapy**
- Immunosuppression to prevent rejection over time, necessary throughout the post-transplant period.