Friday, September 25, 2026

12:30 PM –1:30 PM	**Lunch with Faculty** *Location: Grand Marquee Pavillion*
1:45 PM – 4:30 PM	**General Session 1: Overview of Transplantation** *Location: Salons A-E*
1:45 PM	**Welcome Remarks** Sean Pinney, MD Aravind Cherukuri, MD, PhD Nicole Turgeon, MD
	The "Why" and "How" of Transplant **Kidney and Multi-Organ –** Deirdre Sawinski, MD **Lung –** Deborah Levine, MD **Liver –** Alexandra Shingina, MD, MSc **Heart –** Ann Nguyen, MD **Discussion/Questions**
	The Immune Response to Transplants (Part 1 and 2) **Immunosuppression Mechanisms of Action** Aravind Cherukuri, MD, PhD
	Discussion
4:30 PM	**Break**

4:45 PM – 6:15 PM

Breakout 1 – Donor Selection and Early Post-Transplant Management Challenges
(Choose 1 of 6 Options)

- **Kidney and Pancreas**
  Nicole Turgeon, MD
  Deirdre Sawinski, MD
  John Friedewald, MD
  Matt Cooper, MD
  Karin True, MD, FASN
  Location: Salons A-E

- **Liver**
  Alexandra Shingina, MD, MSc
  Sarah R. Lieber, MD MSCR
  Dempsey Hughes, MD
  Location: Great Lakes I

- **Heart**
  Sean Pinney, MD
  Ann Nguyen, MD
  Location: Great Lakes II

- **Lung**
  Deborah Levine, MD, FAST
  Marie Budev, DO, MPH
  Location: Great Lakes III

- **Immunosuppression (Pharmacist Focused)**
  Lyndsey Bowman, PharmD, FAST
  Lisa Potter, PharmD, BCPS
  Location: Salons F-H

- **Infectious Disease in Solid Organ Transplantation– Donors and Recipients**
  Emily Blumberg, MD
  Deepali Kumar, MD, MSc
  Location: Great Lakes IV

6:45 PM – 7:45 PM **Networking and Exhibitor Reception**
Location: Grand Marquee Pavillion

7:45 PM – 9:30 PM **Dinner and Patient Perspective Session**
Location: Grand Marquee Pavillion

Saturday, September 26, 2026

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM **Breakout 2 – Professional Development**
(Grab Breakfast and Choose 1 of 4 Options)

- **How to Negotiate Your First Job**
  Deepali Kumar, MD, MSc, FRCPC, FAST
  John Friedewald, MD
  Location: Salon A-E

- **Building a Career as a Transplant Pharmacist**
  Lyndsey Bowman, PharmD, FAST
  Lisa Potter, PharmD, BCPS, FCCP, FAST
  Location: Salon F-H

❖ **Getting Involved in Research in the Transplant Center**

Aravind Cherukuri, MD, PhD
Deirdre Sawinski, MD, FAST
Naoka Murakami, MD, PhD
Hēth Turnquist, PhD
Location: Great Lakes II

❖ **Leadership in the Transplant Center**

Sean Pinney, MD
Nicole Turgeon, MD
Matt Cooper, MD
Location: Great Lakes IV

8:00 AM — **Break**

8:15 AM – 9:45 AM — **General Session 2: Mechanisms and Intervention of Ischemia Reperfusion Injury**
Location: Salons A-E

Ischemia Reperfusion Injury Basics
Hēth Turnquist, PhD

Advances in Organ Preservation
Kidney – Matt Cooper, MD
Liver – Alexandra Shingina, MD, MSc
Thoracic – Ann Nguyen, MD
Discussion

9:45 AM – 10:45 AM	**General Session 3:** **Post-Transplant Advances and Diagnostics** *Location: Salon A-E* **Alloantibodies, Allosensitization, and Cross-matching** Kelley Hitchman, PhD **Minimally Invasive Diagnostics** John Friedewald, MD **Biopsy Based Transplant Diagnostics** Michael Mengel, MD **Discussion**
10:45 AM	**Break**
11:00 AM –12:00 PM	**General Session 4: The Future is Now** *Location: Salon A-E* **Can You Hear Me Now? Using Technology to Combat Nonadherence** Lisa Potter, PharmD, BCPS, FCCP, FAST **Cellular Therapies and Tolerance in Transplantation** Paolo Cravedi, MD, PhD **Xenotransplant – From Basic Science to Clinical Trials** Vineeta Kumar, MD, FAST
12:00 PM	**Lunch**

1:00 PM – 2:15 PM

Breakout 3
(Choose 1 of 2 Options)

OPTION 1: Deep Dive into Basic Immunology
Location: Salons A-E

- **Innate Immunity** – Paolo Cravedi, MD, PhD
- **T cells** – Hēth Turnquist, PhD
- **B cells** – Aravind Cherukuri, MD, PhD

OPTION 2: Professional Development
Location: Salons F-H

- **How to Read, Write, and Review a Paper**
  Aravind Cherukuri, MD, PhD
  Michael Mengel, MD

- **How to Write a Grant**
  Marie Budev, DO, MPH
  Naoka Murakami, MD, PhD

- **Using Social Media to Create Your Brand**
  Ann Nguyen, MD
  Kelley Hitchman, PhD

2:15 PM

Break

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM **General Session 5: Clinical Trials in Transplantation**
Location: Salons A-E

Pivotal Clinical Trials in Transplantation
Kidney – Karin True, MD, FASN
Liver – Alexandra Shingina, MD, MSc
Heart – Sean Pinney, MD
Lung – Deborah Levine, MD, FAST
Infectious Disease – Emily Blumberg, MD

Discussion

4:00 PM **Break**

4:15 PM – 5:30 PM **Breakout 4 – Recipients and Post-Transplant Care**
(Choose 1 of 7 Options)

- **Kidney and Pancreas**
  Deirdre Sawinski, MD, FAST
  Karin True, MD, FASN
  John Friedewald, MD
  Nicole Turgeon, MD
  Location: Salons A-E

- **Liver**
  Dempsey Hughes, MD
  Sarah R. Lieber, MD MSCR
  Alexandra Shingina, MD, MSc
  Location: Great Lakes I

- **Heart**
  Sean Pinney, MD
  Ann Nguyen, MD
  Location: Great Lakes II

- **Lung**
  Deborah Levine, MD, FAST
  Marie Budev, DO, MPH
  Location: Great Lakes III

- **Immunosuppression/Medication Management Challenges (All Organs + Pharmacy)**
  Lyndsey Bowman, PharmD, FAST
  Lisa Potter, PharmD, BCPS, FCCP, FAST
  Location: Salons F-H

- **Transplant Shark Tank**
  Aravind Cherukuri, MD, PhD
  Paolo Cravedi, MD, PhD
  Hēth Turnquist, PhD
  Location: Great Lakes V

- **Infectious Disease**
  Emily Blumberg, MD
  Deepali Kumar, MD, MSc, FRCPC, FAST
  Location: Great Lakes IV

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM **Break**

6:30 PM - 9:00 PM **Murder Mystery Dinner**
Location: Grand Marquee Pavillion

Sunday, September 27, 2026

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM	**Networking Breakfast** *Location: Grand Ballroom Foyer*
8:00 AM – 10:40 AM	**General Session 6: Challenges and Opportunities in Transplantation** *Location: Salons A-E* **Overcoming Barriers to Increased Living Donation** Karin True, MD, FASN (cont.) **Expanding Deceased Donation and Working with the OPOs** John Friedewald, MD **Discussion** **Break** **Challenges with Transplant Oversight** Nicole Turgeon, MD **Increasing Access and Equity to Transplant** Deirdre Sawinski, MD **Discussion**
10:40 AM	**Break**

10:55 AM	**Transplant Trivia** Sean Pinney, MD Aravind Cherukuri, MD, PhD *Location: Salons A-E*
11:55 AM	**Final Comments** Sean Pinney, MD Aravind Cherukuri, MD, PhD *Location: Salons A-E*
12:00 PM	**Adjourn**