



MARCH, 2026

A MESSAGE FROM THE ILTS PRESIDENT

Dear Members,

As we move through the coming months, ILTS continues to deliver on its commitment to advancing liver transplantation globally and there is much to look forward to in the weeks ahead.

Our upcoming webinars bring two valuable opportunities for engagement. On March 26, the [LATAM Webinar](#) explores biliary complications following living and deceased donor liver transplantation and complex hepatobiliary surgery, presented in collaboration with **AHPBA** and **ALEH**. Then on April 17, join the [Joint Vanguard Committee and Transplant Oncology SIG Webinar: Liver Transplant for Neuroendocrine Tumours and Hepatocellular Adenoma](#), a focused session at the intersection of two of our most active communities.

There is still time to get involved. Applications to join an [ILTS Committee](#) are open until **March 31**. Don't miss it.

Do you have a diagnostically challenging case? Submissions are open for our upcoming **ILTS Pathology Webinar**, a forum where global expertise meets real-world clinical complexity. Submit your case [here](#).

And of course, Geneva is approaching quickly. The [ILTS 2026 Congress](#) (May 6–9) promises an exceptional scientific program, and your membership unlocks discounted registration. I encourage you to secure your spot and explore everything the program has to offer.

Warm regards,

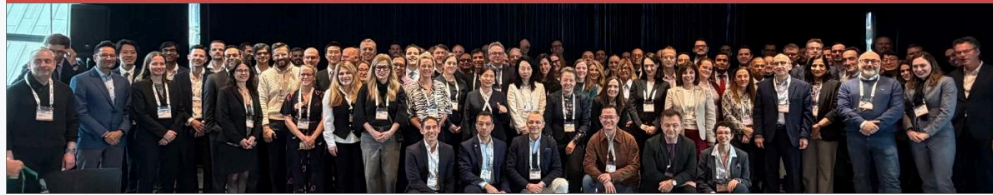


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Thank you.

Shaping The Global Standard: Clinical Trials, Biomarkers and AI in Liver Transplantation



Thank you!

The **ILTS Consensus 2026** had highly engaged discussions on **HCC, Alcohol-Associated Liver Disease, and Machine Perfusion** — and International Working Groups exploring how to refine criteria, integrate new technologies, and address ethical and global challenges, all with the shared goal of improving outcomes and shaping updated standards in transplantation.

Check some of the spotlights, [Click HERE](#)



2026 **ILTS** CONGRESS

PUSHING BOUNDARIES, ELEVATING STANDARDS IN LIVER TRANSPLANTATION



MAY 6-9, 2026 • GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

Less Than Two Months to Go!
Are you ready? Join us!

In less than two months, the global liver transplant community gathers in Geneva for the **ILTS Congress 2026** — and the program we've built this year is one you won't want to miss.

Highlights include the State of the Art Lecture series, featuring leading voices **across transplant oncology, liver xenotransplantation, and outcomes reporting** — with speakers and moderators including **Professor Grainne O'Kane, Dr. Burcin Ekser, Professor Pierre-Alain Clavien**, and more.

[Explore Full Program HERE](#)

Workshops are filling fast. Some are already sold out, and remaining spots across other sessions are going quickly. If you're planning to attend, now is the time to lock in your workshop selections — **don't wait until they're gone.**

Use code **ILTSLMEM26** at registration to access your member rate.

Register now and give yourself the time to plan your travel, build your schedule, and arrive in Geneva ready to make the most of it.

[View Pre-Congress Workshop](#)

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Upcoming ILTS Webinars: Complimentary for ILTS Members!

 **March 26, 2026 | 7 PM ET** **LATAM AHPBA/ALEH/ILTS**



Presented by:



**LATAM Webinar:
AHPBA, ALEH and ILTS**

In this upcoming **Tri-Society REAL LATAM Webinar**, international experts will explore key challenges in the **diagnosis and management of biliary complications** across complex hepatobiliary and transplant settings.

Speakers



Brendan Visser | AHPBA

MD, Section Chief of HPB Surgery and Program Director of the Stanford HPB Fellowship. Chair of Education and Training, IHPBA; Treasurer, AHPBA



Andres Cardenas | ALEH

MD, Consultant in Hepatology and Accredited Professor of Medicine, University of Barcelona. Co-Editor-in-Chief of Liver Transplantation



Eduardo Fernandes | ILTS

MD, Transplant Surgeon specializing in liver and kidney transplantation. Internationally trained in hepatobiliary and liver transplant surgery

Moderators



Sergio Acuna | AHPBA

MD, PhD is an Assistant Professor of Surgery in the Division of Transplantation at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB)



Manuel Mendizabal | ALEH

MD, Chief of Hepatology at the Austral University Hospital in Buenos Aires.



Raeda Taj | ILTS

MD, Assistant Professor of Surgery and abdominal transplant surgeon at UC San Diego Health

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April 17, 2026 | 9 AM ET

Vanguard Committee and Transplant Oncology SIG

ILTS Webinar:

Vanguard Committee and Transplant Oncology SIG

Liver Transplant for Neuroendocrine Tumours and Hepatocellular Adenoma. In this webinar we will review current evidence and indications for **liver transplantation in neuroendocrine tumours and hepatocellular adenoma**. Discuss patient selection criteria, timing, and outcomes in these rare but challenging indications. As well as highlight controversies, ethical considerations, **and future directions in expanding transplant eligibility**.

Speakers



Dr. Tahir Shah (Birmingham, UK)

Consultant Liver Transplant Physician at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, and leader in NET and HCC services. He pioneered national transplant programs and multidisciplinary pathways advancing neuroendocrine tumour care in the UK.



Dr. Tara Ghaziani (Stanford, USA)

Clinical Associate Professor at Stanford specializing in hepatology and transplant hepatology. Her research focuses on liver cancer and transplant outcomes, with extensive peer-reviewed contributions in the field.

Moderators



Dr. Sudha Kodali (Methodist, USA)

Transplant Hepatologist at Houston Methodist and Medical Director of the Liver Tumor Program. She leads multidisciplinary care in liver cancer and



Mr. Abdul Rahman Hakeem (King's, UK)

Consultant Liver Transplant Surgeon at King's College Hospital and leader in transplant education and research. He contributes extensively to international



Last Days to Apply! Join an ILTS Committee

The ILTS Committees are the working groups that support the Society's activities across **clinical practice, research, education, guidelines, and member engagement**. Committee members contribute their expertise within focused specialty areas and collaborate with peers to support **ILTS initiatives** and programs across the liver transplantation community.

Don't miss this unique opportunity. Apply by March 31, 2026.

[Apply Now, Click HERE](#)

**Save The Date!
ILTS & SATA Joint**



Meeting 2026

Perioperative Care in Liver Transplantation

Date:

October 16, 2026

Location:

University of San Diego, USA

Register Now, [HERE](#)



WHAT WE ARE READING

Article selections by A Mi Mi Kyaw, Daniel Aliseda, Kenan Moral, Tommy Ivanics, Ryan Chadha, Abdul Rahman Hakeem, Ashwin Rammohan.

HEPATOLOGY

Hepatology

> [Simulating the impact of survival benefit-based liver transplant organ allocation](#)

JHEP Reports

> [HCC recurrence in liver transplants treated with hypothermic oxygenated machine perfusion: An international matched cohort study](#)

SURGERY

Journal of Hepatology

ANESTHESIOLOGY AND CRITICAL CARE

Transplantation

> [Cirrhotic Cardiomyopathy Predicts New-onset Heart Failure Within the First Year After Liver Transplantation](#)

Liver Transplantation

> [Newly diagnosed pulmonary arterial hypertension following liver transplantation: Insights from a multicenter case series](#)

> [Evaluation of low fibrinolytic activity by rotational](#)

> [Efficacy of liver transplantation after response to atezolizumab–bevacizumab downstaging of intermediate and advanced hepatocellular carcinoma \(ImmunoXXL\).](#)

Liver Transplantation

> [Benchmarking the real-world transplant benefit in unresectable colorectal liver metastases: A preliminary external validity assessment of the TransMet trial](#)

> [Living donor liver transplantation in infants 6 kg or less: Impact of graft type and size on postoperative outcomes](#)

> [thromboelastometry and outcomes in liver transplantation: A single-center prospective study](#)

SOCIAL MEDIA

Annals of Surgery

> [Liver Transplantation Versus ALPPS for Colorectal Liver Metastases: An Entropy Balanced Retrospective Analysis](#)



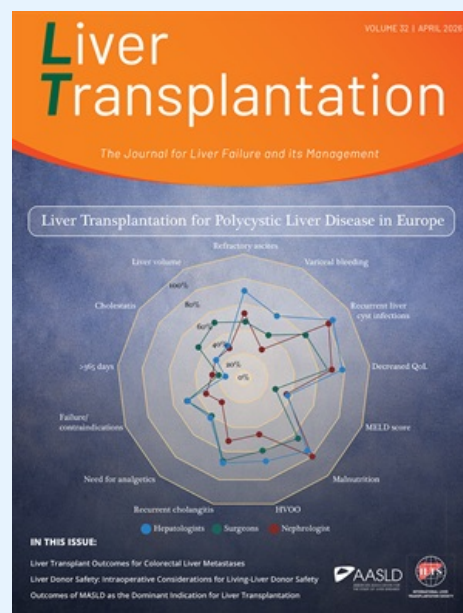
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HOT OFF THE PRESS

Liver Transplantation

> [Safety of immunotherapy after liver transplantation—A multicenter study of a prospective standardized clinical practice protocol](#)

LATEST ISSUE



HEPATOLOGY and Liver Transplantation | Limited Call for

NEW PRACTICE GUIDELINES

> [AASLD ISDA Practice Guideline on Treatment of Chronic Hepatitis B.](#)

From prevention and maternal transmission to treatment strategies and liver cancer surveillance, get the latest evidence-based recommendations to guide care across every phase of chronic hepatitis B.

Roll out the new recommendations in your clinical practice with ease! View the Practice Guideline, Systematic Review, Commentary, Visual Brief, and Educational Slide Set online.

> [Updated Guidance on Semaglutide Therapy for MASLD/MASH.](#)

This updated Practice Guidance provides practical, evidence-based recommendations on using semaglutide therapy for MASH, including patient selection, comorbidity management, and monitoring strategies. These updates help clinicians integrate semaglutide into care for appropriate patients with moderate-to-advanced liver fibrosis, reflecting the evolving

Applications: Editorial Fellow

Deadline: April 17, 2026. Check the full information and details of how to apply [HERE](#).

role of GLP-1 therapy in MASLD management.

MOC

View the full collection of [Maintenance of Certification \(MOC\) articles](#) published in Liver Transplantation, including the latest article: [Gender disparity in access to early liver transplant among patients with alcohol associated liver disease and limited sobriety is mediated by psychosocial factors.](#)

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