



Dear ##[Name | First]##,

I am thrilled to share this edition of our newsletter, celebrating the incredible strength and energy of our ILTS community. In this issue, we shine a spotlight on the remarkable work of our committees, members, and partners.

Looking ahead, I encourage you to join us at the ILTS 2026 Congress in Geneva! This gathering promises to be an inspiring opportunity to connect with colleagues from around the world, exchange knowledge, and celebrate the progress we are making together in liver transplantation.

Thank you for your ongoing support and engagement. Together, we are shaping the future of our field and it's an exciting journey we get to take as a global community.

With Warm Regards,



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Upcoming ILTS Events

From Practice to Publication



ILTS invites you to join us for the webinar, **From Practice to Publication: Engaging AHPs in Research and Abstract Writing** on from practice to publication November 19, 2025. To register, click [here](#).



Save the date! **ILTS Consensus Conference:** Shaping the Global Standard: Clinical Trials, Biomarkers, and AI in Liver Transplantation, March 6-7, 2026, Washington, DC.



Join us at the world's premier Congress on liver transplantation! The **ILTS 2026 Annual Congress** is being held from May 6-9, 2026 in Geneva. [Click here](#) for more information. See you next year.

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Join us at the Congress in Geneva



INTERNATIONAL LIVER TRANSPLANTATION SOCIETY

AT A GLANCE		KEY DATES	
MEETING DATES	VENUE	ABSTRACTS	REGISTRATION
May 6 – 9, 2026	Palexpo Congress Centre	Close: November 19, 2025 Notifications: February 2026	Open: December 2025
LOCATION	ACCOMMODATION		
Geneva, Switzerland	Hilton Geneva Palexpo		

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2026 ILTS Congress Newsletter Sign-Up:

<https://ilts-congress.org>

2026 **ILTS** CONGRESS

Subject to change without notice.

ABSTRACT TOPICS

- Advanced Liver Surgery
- Anesthesia / Critical Care Medicine / Acute Liver Failure
- Basic Science / Translational Research / Tolerance Induction
- Comorbidities and Liver Transplantation Outcomes
- Donation after Circulatory Death and Machine Perfusion
- Donor Selection Criteria / Patient Selection / Organ Allocation
- Immunosuppression and Infection
- Living Donor Transplantation
- Pediatrics
- Transplant Oncology
- Allied Health
- Surgical Videos for Technical Innovation
- Education

**You are invited to submit abstracts
at the ILTS 2026 Congress.**

**Submission Deadline
is November 19, 2025.**



Submit Your Abstract Here

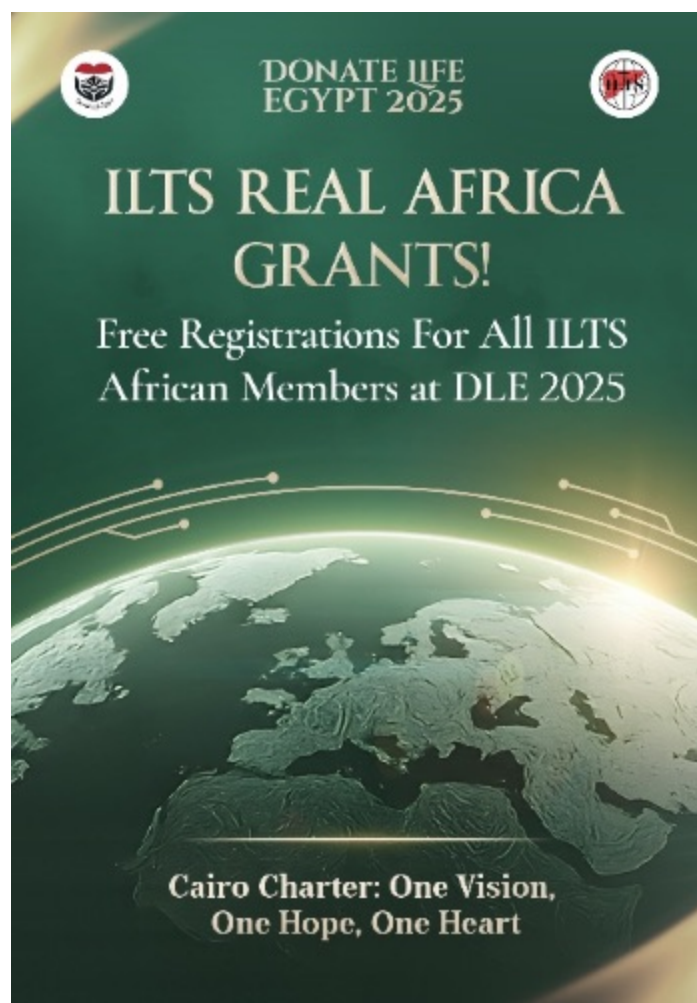
ILTS Society News

ILTS REAL Africa Initiative- DLE 2025 Grants

We are pleased to share exciting news about the ILTS REAL Africa Initiative, a program dedicated to strengthening liver transplant education and research across Africa. As part of this initiative, all ILTS members based in Africa will receive a grant covering free registration for the DLE 2025 Congress in Cairo. The event will take place November 12–15, 2025. This initiative represents an important step toward increasing regional representation and expanding access to professional development opportunities for our colleagues across the continent. We warmly encourage all African members to take advantage of this opportunity and join us in Cairo for a truly unique educational and networking experience.

Please use this link for registration:

<https://2025.dle-eg.org/pre-registration-form/>



Call for Local Convenors: Bring ILTS 2028 Annual Congress to Your City

The International Liver Transplantation Society (ILTS) is pleased to announce the official Call for Proposals to host the ILTS 2028 Annual Congress. We invite academic and clinical liver transplant centers to consider serving as the Local Convenor and host institution for this impactful meeting. This is a unique opportunity to bring the ILTS community to your city, highlight your center's contributions to the field, and foster collaboration and knowledge exchange on a global stage. Proposals must be submitted by a current ILTS member willing to serve as Local Convenor. The RFP can be found [here](#), and it includes all guidelines, evaluation criteria, and submission requirements. The deadline for proposals is **October 31, 2025** (11:59 PM CET).

ILTS Committee Spotlight: Anesthesia, Critical Care Committee

The ILTS Anesthesia and Critical Care Committee represents and recruits members in these specialties while promoting education, collaboration, and communication across the field. Its goals are to raise standards of perioperative care, improve outcomes, and contribute to the development of official ILTS clinical practice guidelines. The committee also fosters partnerships with related professional societies to advance shared objectives and strengthen multidisciplinary engagement. Reflecting ILTS's international spirit, members represent India, France, the UK, the USA, Canada, Ireland, and Spain. The committee is

currently led by Emmanuel Weiss (Chair), Michael Spiro (Vice Chair), Ashish Malik (Past Chair), and Fuat Saner and Dmitri Bezinover (Affiliated Council Members).

The Anesthesia and Critical Care Committee had an exceptionally productive year, organizing scientific sessions at ILTS 2025 and contributing to the SATA/ILTS Perioperative Meeting. Members played key roles in the LDLTregistry.org collaboration, co-authoring two major American Journal of Transplantation papers on global disparities and outcomes in living donor liver transplantation. The registry, co-founded by Michael Spiro, now includes data from over 3,500 paired submissions and is open for spin-off studies worldwide. Another major milestone was the publication of the ILTS/LICAGE Guidelines for Cardiovascular Assessment Before Liver Transplantation (Am J Transplant, 2025), setting new perioperative care standards. The committee also enhanced internal communication through an active WhatsApp forum that supports rapid case discussion and collaboration. These initiatives reflect the committee's ongoing commitment to advancing education, clinical excellence, and research in perioperative liver transplant care.



Anesthesia, Critical Car Committee Testimonial (Michael Spiro, Vice Chair)

"I have been fortunate enough to have been involved in two ILTS committees, firstly the Vanguard committee and now as vice-chair of the ACC. The opportunities for collaboration and scientific support that the ILTS provide via these committees has been career defining for me. The ILTS supported [ERAS4OLT] throughout and ERAS4OLT became the topic of the annual Consensus Congress in 2022... Following the success of ERAS4OLT we co-founded the LDLT registry, in partnership with the ILTS, iLDLTgroup and TTS. Again, it was the ILTS with its network of collaborators and the support that they have provided to the project that has helped enable the expansion of this registry."

Liver Transplantation: The Official Journal of ILTS

As the official journal of both AASLD and ILTS, *Liver Transplantation* publishes cutting-edge, peer-reviewed research on end-stage liver disease, acute-on-chronic liver failure,

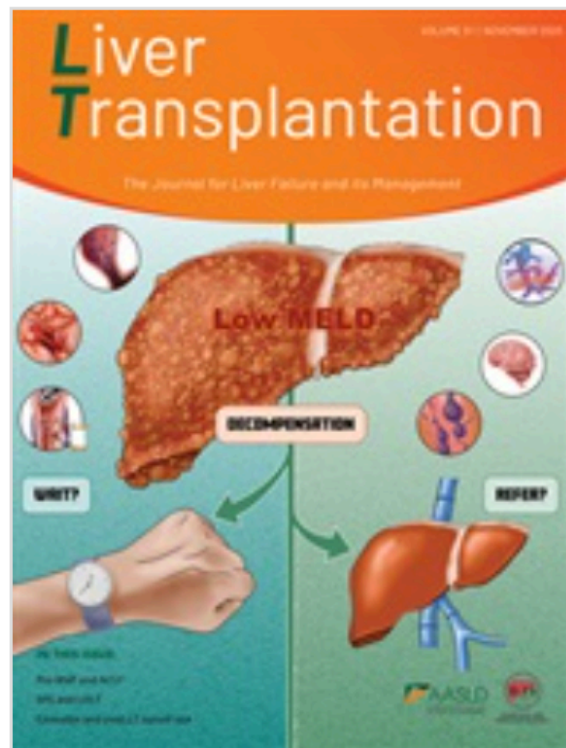
hepatobiliary malignancies, liver surgery, and transplantation. It remains the definitive journal for liver failure and its clinical management and an essential resource for professionals in this rapidly evolving specialty.

We're pleased to share that AASLD launched new program called "Science in the Park." Located in one of the two Park environments onsite at TLM, this initiative features 10 sessions of informal, conversation-based programming with high-profile authors and editors. Designed to build journal community and engagement, the following sessions will focus specifically on Liver Transplantation. You can view the full program [here](#).

- Meet the new Liver Transplantation Editors and Pitch Your Article! November 8th, 3:45–4:15 PM
- ILTS Portopulmonary Hypertension Guideline Update. November 9th 3:45–4:15 PM

Free access to *Liver Transplantation* is one many benefits for ILTS members. Check out the latest *Liver Transplantation* journal by clicking on the image below.

Current Issue



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ILTS Member Spotlights:

Dr. Nancy Kwan Man Spotlight

At the University of Hong Kong, Professor Nancy Kwan Man and her Laboratory of Liver Transplantation and Liver Cancer continue to define global excellence in translational and clinical innovation. Her team's pioneering research has illuminated mechanisms of marginal graft injury, disease recurrence, and novel theranostic strategies in transplant oncology and immunology.

Growing up with ILTS

Their partnership with ILTS began over two decades ago, marked by their first Young Investigator Award in 2003. Since then, the team has nurtured a generation of scientists, recognized by a continuous series of ILTS Young Investigator Awards, Rising Star Awards and Vanguard Awards from 2003 through 2025. This demonstrates their sustained innovation and commitment to mentoring future leaders. This work culminated in Professor Man's ILTS Presidency (2018-2019), and her receipt of the Basic Science Established Investigator Award in 2022.

Innovation in Precision Oncology

Their groundbreaking "Liver-in-Cube" 3D-bioprinted drug screening platform—winner of the Geneva Gold Medal for Invention—along with advances in microrobotics and bioengineered liver tissue, showcases their leadership in precision medicine. Through their research and contributions to ILTS consensus guidelines, Professor Man's team continues to shape the science and future of liver transplantation worldwide.



Spotlight: Testimonial from Marina Berenguer, ILTS Past President

"Serving as President of the International Liver Transplantation Society (ILTS) was a transformative milestone in my career. This experience broadened my global perspective, strengthened my leadership skills, and reinforced my belief in the power of international cooperation to advance science and clinical practice. On a personal level, it allowed me to grow as a mentor, collaborator, and advocate for equity and innovation in transplantation.

Today, these experiences continue to shape my dedication to fostering the next generation of hepatologists and transplant specialists, while promoting cutting-edge research and patient-centered care within our group at La Fe."

Expanding collaborative efforts: ILTS leadership join The Korean Transplant Society Annual meeting, Seoul, Korea.

ILTS is thankful for the candid invite from the Organizing Committee of Liver Transplantation Updates 2025 (LT Updates 2025) and the Korean Liver Transplantation Society, led by our ILTS long-standing member and renowned liver transplant surgeon Kwang-Woong Lee M.D., Ph.D.

The Congress featured a comprehensive scientific program, fostering in-depth knowledge exchange and meaningful discussions. The Pre-Congress Hands-on Workshop, held at the Olympus Korea Medical Training & Education Center (K-TEC), focused on various surgical techniques of DDLT using pig models. The main scientific program consisted of 47 lectures and 14 sessions, encompassing Updates Sessions, Multidisciplinary Sessions, and a Joint Symposium with the iLDLT Group New Horizons Committee.

Dr. Lee graciously included ILTS president, Dr. Valeria Mas as part of the open ceremony with a congratulatory speech and invited her as a Keynote speaker. Moreover, the representative ILTS team was invited to visit Dr. Lee's clinical department and amazing associated research labs. ILTS looks forward for expanding the recently new collaborations established with the KLTS!



New to ILTS University (ILTS Members Only- Log-in to your member profile):

- Webinar: [10th REAL LATAM: Vascular Complications in Liver Transplantation from Living and Deceased Donors](#) (in English)
- Webinar: [10th REAL LATAM: Vascular Complications in Liver Transplantation from Living and Deceased Donors](#) (in Spanish)

Partner Events



The Liver Meeting 2025

AASLD invites you to attend The Liver Meeting 2025, which will be held in Washington D.C. November 7-11, 2025. [Click here](#) for more information.



DLE 2025

DLE invites you to join the International Transplant Congress of Donate Life Egypt (DLE 2025), which will be held from November 12-15, 2025 in Cairo, Egypt. [Click here](#) for more information.



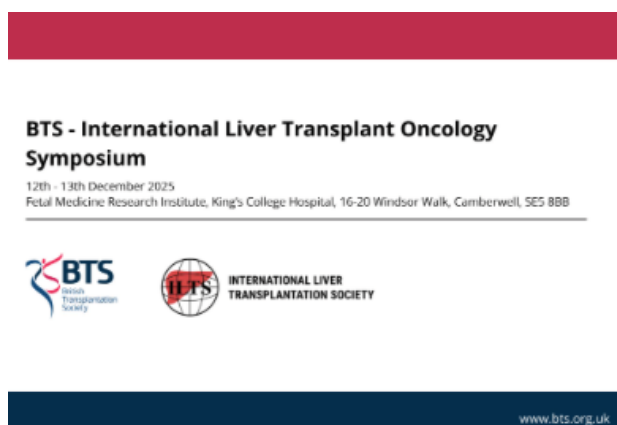
3rd Annual Transplant AI Symposium

University Health Network and Mayo Clinic invite you to the 3rd Annual Transplant AI Symposium: Catalyzing Multi-Centre Collaborations in Transplant AI held in Toronto, ON November 17 -18, 2025. [Click here](#) for more information.



LTSICON 2025

LTSI welcomes you to the Annual Conference of the Liver Transplantation Society of India - LTSICON 2025, scheduled to take place from November 20-23, 2025 at the Hotel Pullman, Aerocity, New Delhi, Indi. [Click here](#) for more information.



International Liver Transplant Oncology Symposium

BTS is delighted to announce the upcoming International Liver Transplant Oncology Symposium on December 12-13, 2025 at King's College Hospital in London, proudly co-badged by the British Transplantation Society (BTS) and the International Liver Transplantation Society (ILTS). [Click here](#) for more information.

What We're Reading

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

HEPATOLOGY

Liver Transplantation

[Gender disparity in access to early liver transplant among patients with alcohol associated liver disease and limited sobriety is mediated by psychosocial factors](#)

Liver Transplantation

[Evolving trends and comparative outcomes of bridging transarterial locoregional therapy in liver transplant candidates with hepatocellular carcinoma](#)

Liver Transplantation

[HCV NAT+ consent improves liver transplant and waitlist mortality in patients listed for HCC MELD exceptions](#)

SURGERY

Transplantation

[Post-recurrence Survival After Liver Transplantation for Hepatocellular Carcinoma](#)

Liver Transplantation

[Overcoming hepatic artery variations: Arterial reconstruction strategies to expand normothermic machine perfusion in liver transplantation](#)

Annals of Surgery

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

ANESTHESIA AND CRITICAL CARE

Journal of Clinical and Experimental Hepatology

[Combined Living Donor Liver Transplantation With Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting: Possible but not Without a Struggle](#)

Clinical Transplantation

[Ultrasound-Guided Modified Thoracoabdominal Nerve Block Through Perichondrial Approach for Postoperative Analgesia Management in Living Liver Donors: A Randomized, Prospective, Controlled Study](#)

ASAIO Journal

[Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation in Liver Transplantation: Mayo Clinic Experience —A Case Series and Review](#)

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