



CRITICAL CARE BC
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BC RESUSCITATION SCIENCES SERIES

**ORGAN DONATION
AND
TRANSPLANTATION SYMPOSIUM**

May 12/13, 2025, 08:00- 16:30
VGH, Paetzold Auditorium
HYBRID EVENT



Register Below



Networking Wine and Cheese Reception
May 12, 2025, 17:00-18:30
UBC MSAC(Heather St)

Last Date for In-Person Registration: April 25, 2025
Any questions, please contact us at criticalcarebc@phsa.ca



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DAY 1- MAY 12

“A mother’s story of donation” - Ms. Jennifer Woolfsmith

“The Mortem Triplets: Pre, Peri and Post” - Professor Sam Shemie, McGill University

“Organ Donation in Canada: Optimizing DCD and associated challenges” - Professor Sonny Dhanani, University of Ottawa

“Predicting death: The Brain-to-Heart Axis” - Mr. Jordan Bird, University of British Columbia

“Organ Donation after Medical Assistance in Dying” - Dr. Matt Weiss, University of Laval

“A wife and daughter’s story of donation” - Mary Basas and Makenzi Harris

“DCD Advances and Incorporating Patient Perspectives in Donation”

Panel Discussion –Sonny Dhanani, Matt Weiss, Jennifer Woolfsmith, Mary Basas, Jordan Bird

“The Physiology of Circulatory Arrest in Humans” - Dr. Myp Sekhon, University of British Columbia

“A son and his parents who ignited a research program through donation” - David Boloten and Lora Peeler

Pro-Con Debate: “When are you dead?” - Sam Shemie vs. Myp Sekhon

Pro-Con Debate: “What’s more important – The Heart or The Brain” - Dr. Peter Gooderham vs.

“The Perils of Prognostication – Post-cardiac arrest prognostication” - Dr. Julie Kromm, University of Calgary

“Diagnosis of DNC: Radiographic Assessment for Ancillary Testing” - Dr. Raju Heran, UBC

“Healthcare provider’s insights to end-of-life in ICU” - Ms. Allana LeBlanc, Vancouver Coastal Health

“What do “we” care about at our end-of-life? A qualitative study exploring culturally inclusive end-of-life care in critical care settings”

- Kathy Le RN and Ron Shui

Afternoon Keynote: “Personalizing End-of-Life in ICU and The Three Wishes Project” - Professor Deborah Cook, McMaster University

DAY 2- MAY 13

“Normothermic Regional Perfusion – techniques, practices and future directions” - Dr. Dan Harvey, United Kingdom

“The Beneficence of NRP: Increasing heart donation and optimizing liver donation” - Matt Weiss

“The Non-Maleficence of NRP: Honouring the Dead Donor Rule in Canada” - Dr. Marat Slessarev, University of Western Ontario

“NRP: Perspectives from a Hepatologist’s and HPB surgeon” - Stephanie Chartier-Plante and Daljeet Chahal

“NRP – Go or No-Go – Considerations for Canada”

Panel Discussion: Julie Kromm, Matt Weiss, Stephanie Chartier-Plante, Marat Slessarev, Daljeet Chahal

“Precision matching for kidney transplantation” – James Lan, UBC

“Modulating the immune system in transplantation” – Megan Levings, UBC

“Pediatric Considerations into solid organ transplant” – Tom Blydt-Hansen, UBC

“Donor-derived infections in solid organ transplant recipients” – Sara Belga, UBC

“Telling Recipient Stories with Novel Methods” - Dr. Suze Berkhout, University of Toronto

“Integrating patient and family perspectives into donation research” - Dr. Marat Slessarev, University of Western Ontario

“Bridging Donation and Transplantation Medicine” - Prof. Sonny Dhanani, University of Ottawa

“Donor Family & Recipient Roundtable”

Panel Discussion: Nick Kanaan / Kristi Coldwell / David Boloten / Jennifer Woolfsmith / Mary Basas

Afternoon Keynote: TBA

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