### **Ex-Vivo Heart Perfusion** and DCD Heart Donation

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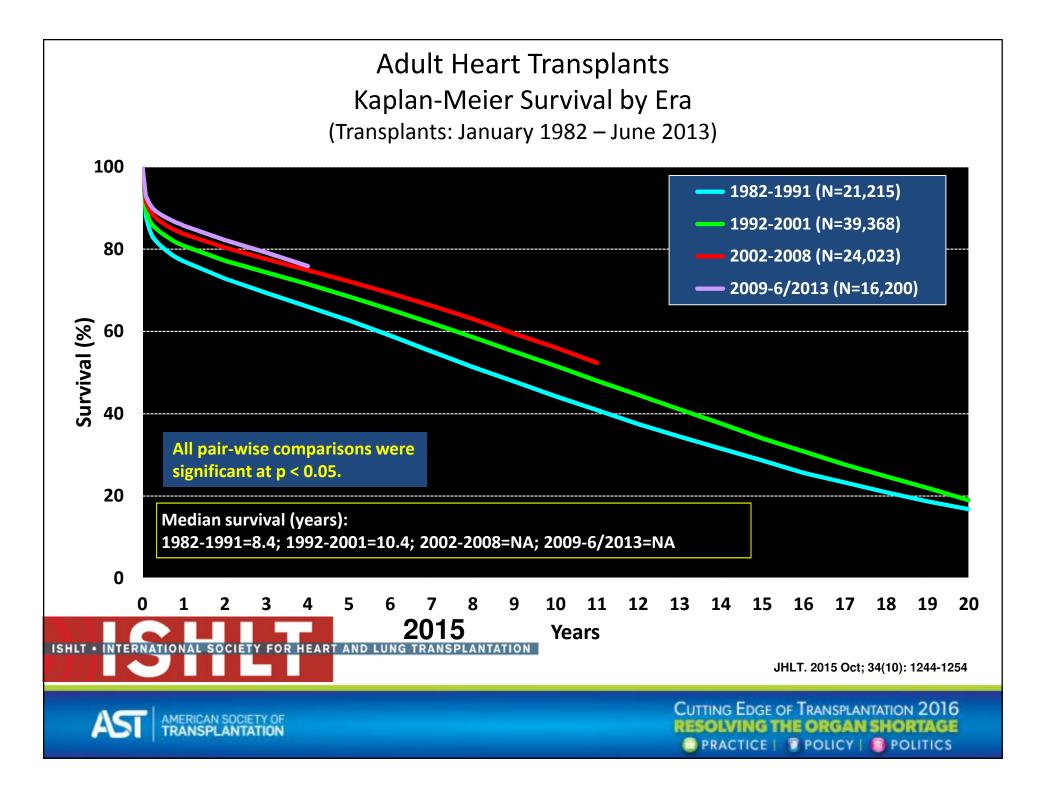
- Organ Care System and Vivoline are not approved by FDA
- I served as the Chair of the Steering Committee for PROCEED II Trial
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### The Cape Argus Newspaper after the First Human Heart Transplant

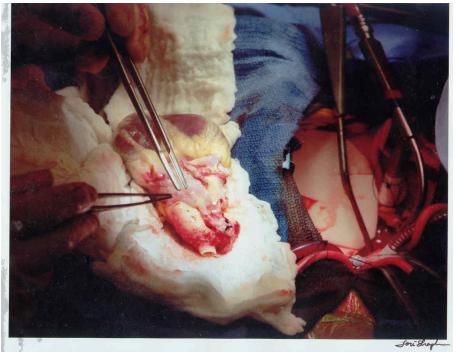






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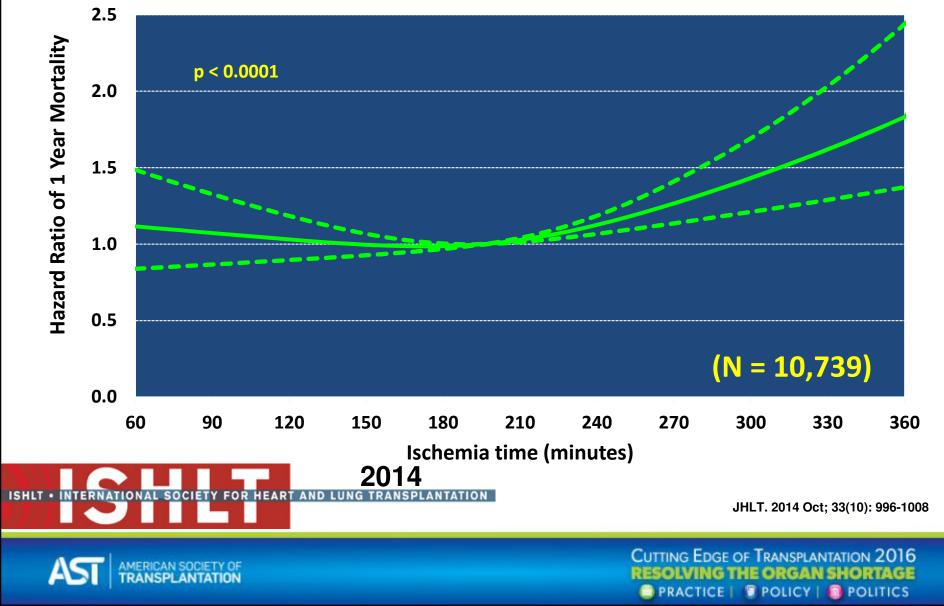




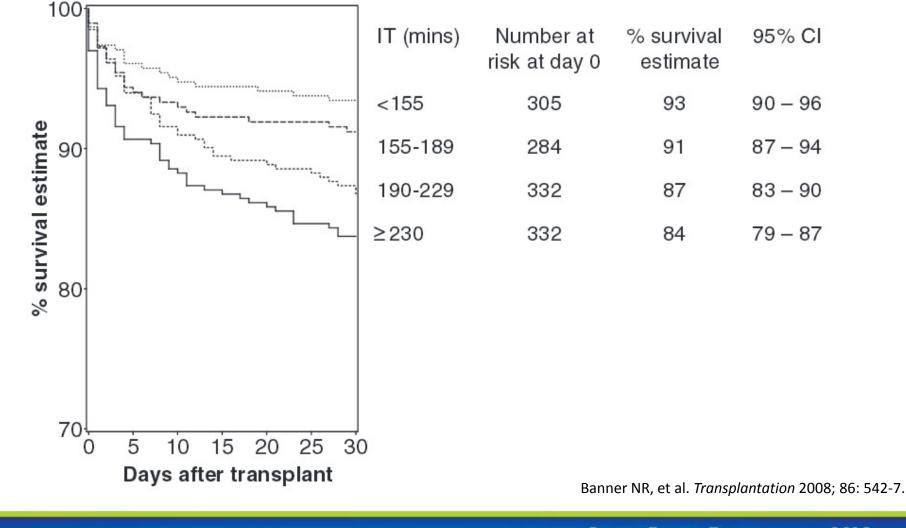


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### ADULT HEART TRANSPLANTS (2007-6/2012) Risk Factors For 1 Year Mortality with 95% Confidence Limits Ischemia Time



## Cold Ischemia Time and Mortality



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## Alternative to Cold Ischemic Preservation

- Ex Vivo Organ Perfusion
  - Platform to perfuse the donor organs



## **Ex-vivo Organ Perfusion**

- Machine perfusion of Kidneys
  - Reduction of DGF
  - Improved 1 year graft outcome
- Ex-vivo perfusion of Liver
  - 2016, pilot trial
  - Pilot clinical use of several
    Portable platforms







## **Ex-vivo Lung Perfusion**

XPS (Xvivo)

Vivoline LS1 (Vivoline)

OCS (TransMedics)



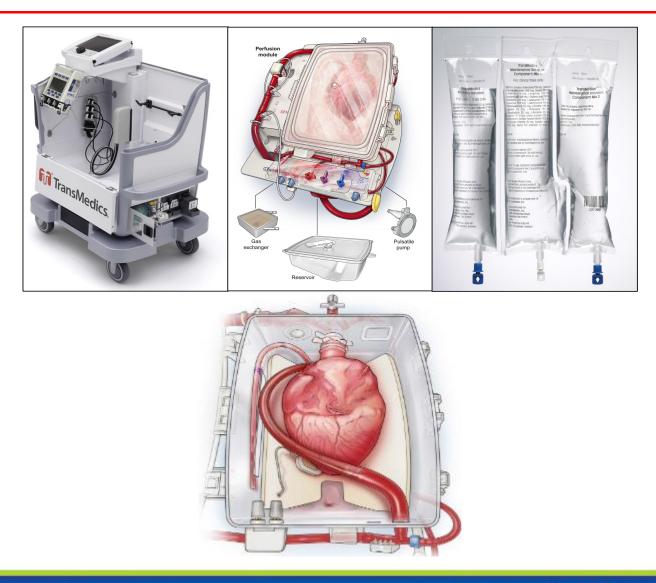




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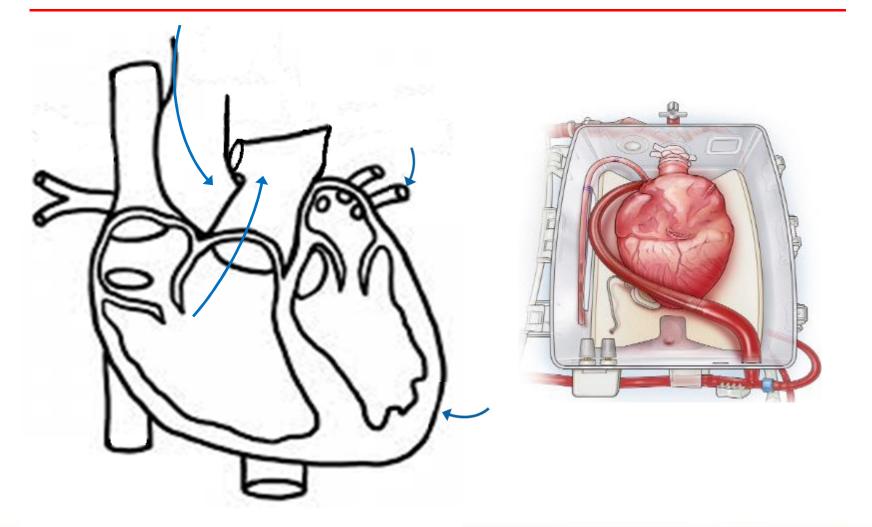


### Ex-vivo Heart Perfusion-Organ Care System





### How does it work?





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### How to assess the donor heart on OCS?

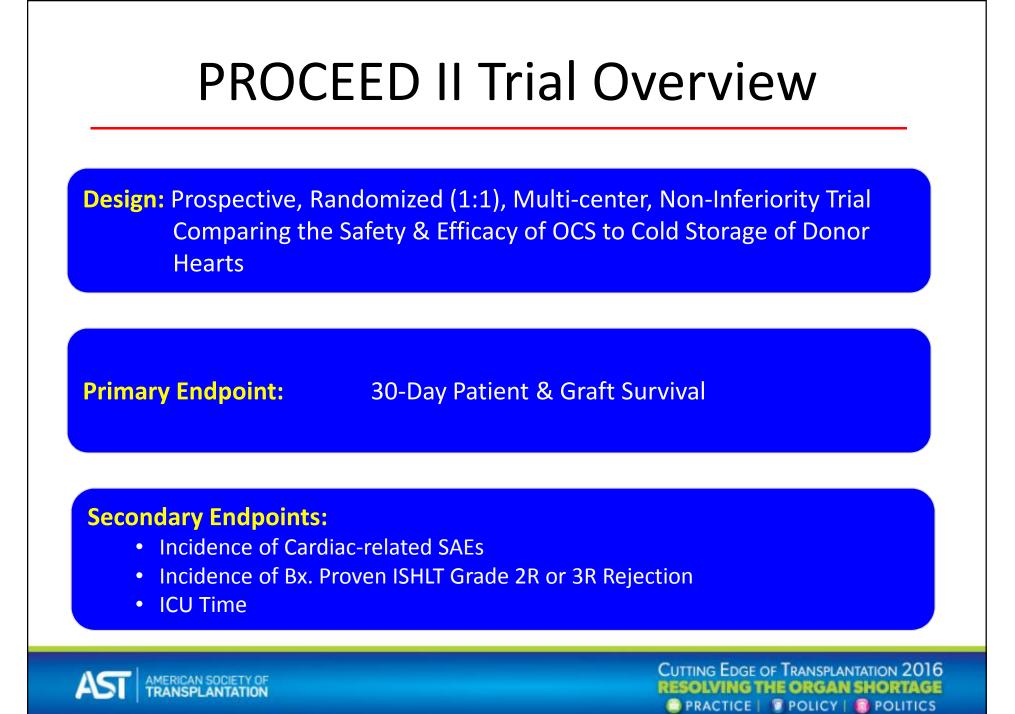
- Hemodynamic parameters:
  - Aortic pressure (goal: 65-90 mm Hg)
  - Coronary blood flow (goal: 650-900 mL/min)
- Perfusate Lactate level
  - Arterio-venous difference
  - Absolute lactate level (goal: <5 mmol/L)</li>
- Visual Inspection

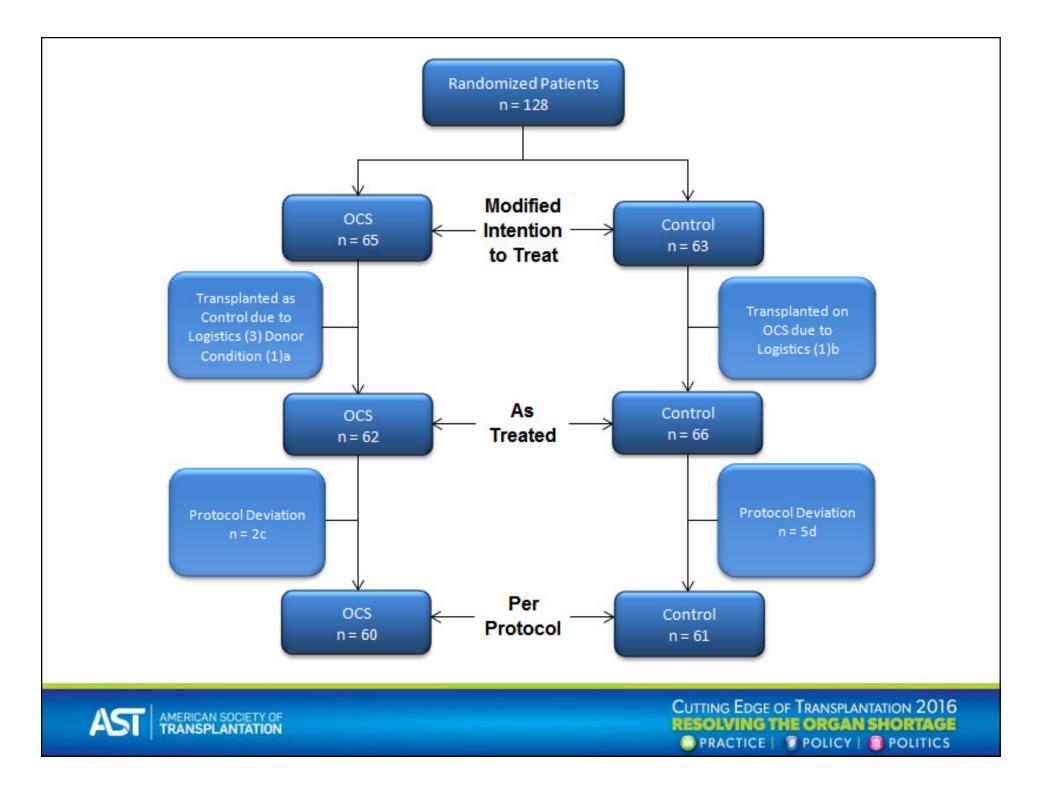


### The Organ Care System (OCS) Heart

- Physiologic preservation
  - Improve quality of donor organs
  - Reduce Cold Ischemia Time
  - Expand Time & Distance
- Resuscitative capabilities
  - Expand the donor pool
- Metabolically active platform
  - Modification of the donor heart







	Organ Care System group	Standard cold storage group	Between-group difference (one-sided 95% UCB or 95% CI)	p value
Primary endpoint (30 day pa	tient and graft su	rvival)		
Intention-to-treat	63/67 (94%)	61/63 (97%)	2.8 (8.8)	0.45
As-treated	58/62 (94%)	64/66 (97%)	3.5 (9.6)	0.36
Per-protocol	56/60 (93%)	59/61 (97%)	3·4 (9·9)	0.39
Secondary endpoints (as-trea	ated population)			
Patients with cardiac-related serious adverse events	8 (13%)	9 (14%)	1 (-12 to 11)	0.90
Incidence of severe rejection	11 (18%)	9 (14%)	4 (-8 to 17)	0.52
Median ICU length of stay (h)	147 (107–212)	137 (97–197)	10 (-10 to 42)	0.24

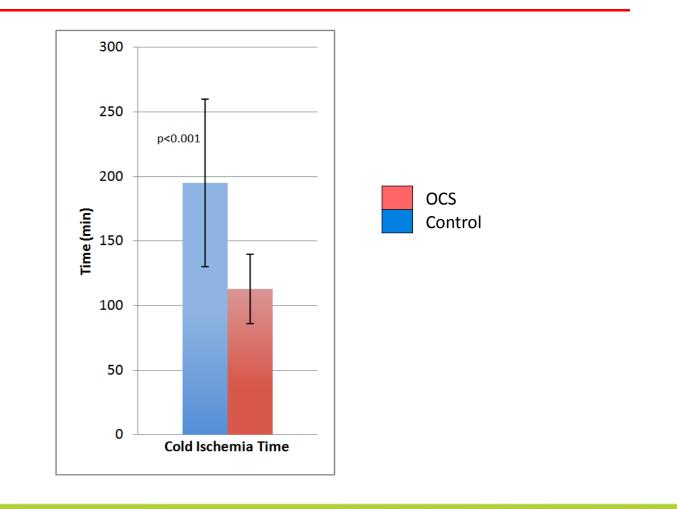
Data are n/N (%) or n (%), or median (IQR), unless otherwise indicated. UCB=upper confidence bound. ICU=intensive-care unit.

Table 2: Outcomes of primary and secondary endpoints



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### **COLD** Ischemia Time





# **PROCEED II Findings**

- 30 day patient and graft survival are similar when the donor heart preserved on OCS vs on ice
- No different in secondary endpoints of cardiac –related SAE, Rejection, ICU stay
- Cold ischemia time significantly shorter, despite longer total preservation time



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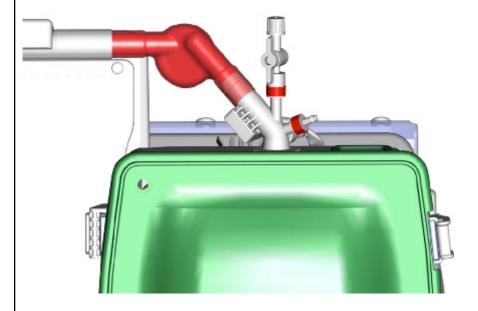
# New Technology Improvements OCS Heart Device

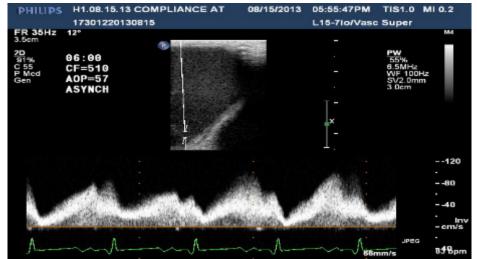


### **Optimization of Perfusion**

#### Addition of Compliance at AO Root

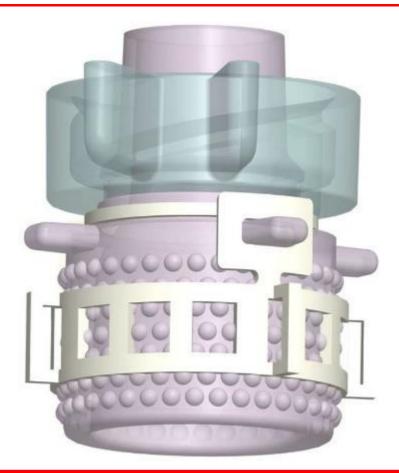
#### Optimizing Coronary Filling Time







### New Aorta Cannula Design



Simplified & User Friendly Cannula Design



## Automated Hemodynamic Management





### **Ex-vivo Donor Heart Perfusion (OCS)**

- Expand the donor pool
  - Resuscitate donor hearts
  - Assess suitability for transplantation: DCD hearts



## Organ Donation after Circulatory Death

- Widely accepted in kidney, liver, and lung transplantation
- Pediatric heart transplantation with donor hearts after circulatory death
- No adult heart transplantation with DCD hearts in modern era
- Concerns:
  - Warm ischemia, how long?
  - Inability to assess the donor heart prior to implantation

# Australian DCD Heart Transplantation

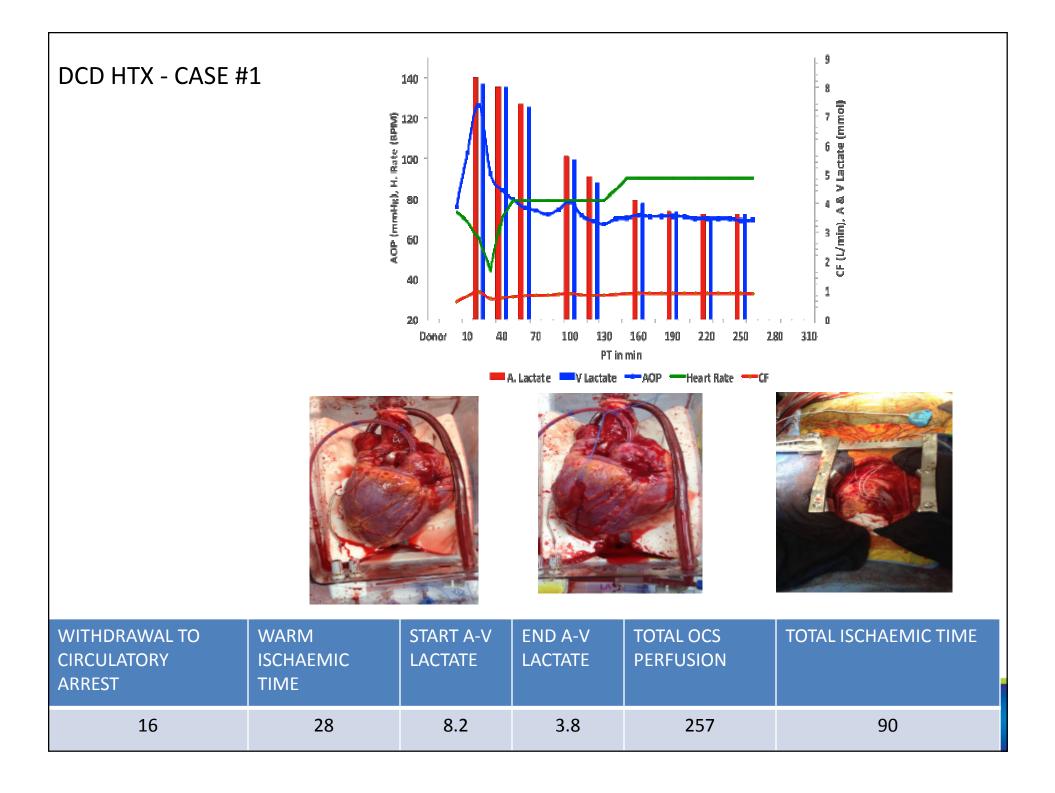


## **DCD Heart Donation**

- Young donors (<40 yrs of age), Warm ischemia time of <30 min
- Transfer to OR
- Very rapid blood retrieval. Transect RAA and insert dual-stage cannula. This will allow better drainage and decompress abdominal organs- heparin in the bag only
- During blood collection, clamp descending aorta
- Antegrade Perfusion: St. Thomas cardioplegia- 1L
- OCS instrumentation

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## Worldwide DCD Adult Donor Heart Experience (1/15/16)

- Sydney, Australia
  - 8 runs, 6 implants
- Harefield, UK
  - 4 implants
- Papworth, UK
  - 12 implants



### **EXPAND-Heart Trial**

Trial Design: prospective, pivotal, single arm trial

**Non-standard Donor Hearts:** Age>55, LVH>1.3 cm, Ischemia time>6 hours

#### **Primary Endpoint**

A composite endpoint of patient survival at Day-30 post transplant and absence of severe primary heart graft dysfunction (PGD) (left or right ventricle) in the first 24 hours post-transplantation.

#### **Secondary Endpoints**

Patient survival at day-30 post transplantation Incidence of severe primary heart graft dysfunction (PGD) Rate of donor hearts utilization that were successfully transplanted after preservation and assessment on the OCS heart device



## **Final Thoughts**

- Ex-vivo heart perfusion technology is evolving
- Improvements in the platform will enhance donor heart perfusion, ease of use
- Ex-vivo heart perfusion may be considered in prolonged cold ischemia times, assessment or improvement of non-standard donor hearts, or resuscitation of DCD hearts



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