## **Ethics of Organ Transplantation**

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#### الجمعية الأردنية لتشجيع التبرع بالأعضاء



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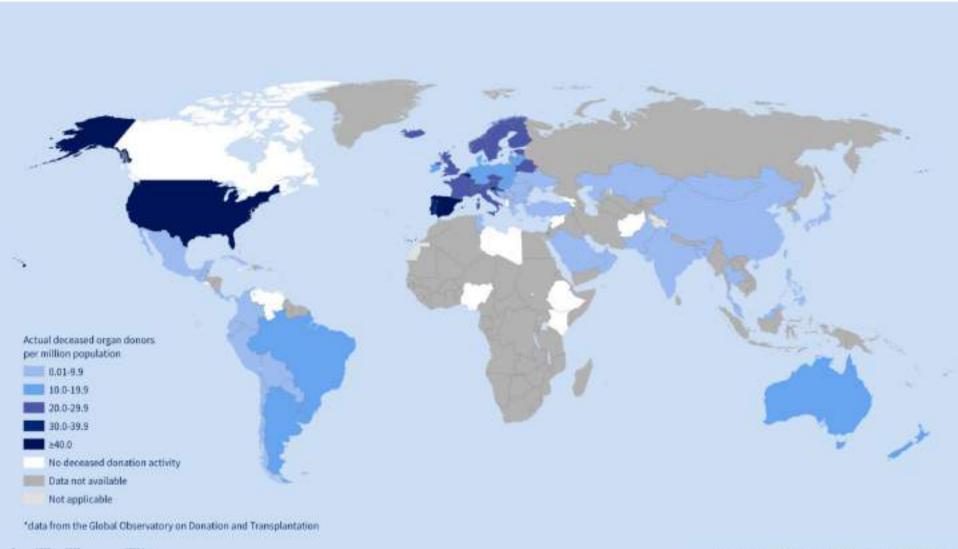
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## Statistics in Jordan 2019

- Organ donations from living donors in the Kingdom account for 99 per cent of total donations and only 1 percent come from brain dead persons
- 175 organ transplant operations were performed in the Kingdom last year, both for Jordanians and non-Jordanians, including 160 kidney transplants and 15 liver transplants.

#### Actual donors from deceased persons, 2023\*

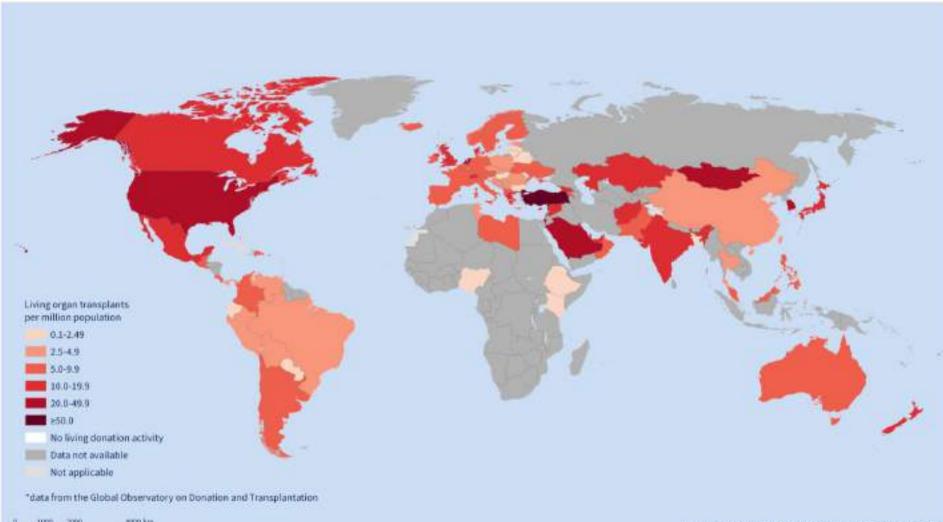




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#### Organ transplantation from living donors, 2023\*





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## Organ transplantation

- An organ transplant is a surgical operation in which a failed or damaged organ in human body is removed and replaced with a functioning one. The donated organ may be from a deceased donor, a living donor or an animal.
- Organs that can be transplanted are the heart, kidneys, liver, lungs, pancreas, intestine and thymus.
- Tissues include bones, tendons, cornea, skin, heart valves, nerves and veins.
- Worldwide, the kidneys are the most commonly transplanted organs, followed by the liver and then the heart.

# Legal rules have been followed before blood transfusion

The first discussion of this issue was on starting <u>blood</u> <u>transfusion</u> early in the twentieth century. when a person loses blood due to an injury, a blood disease or during surgical interference.

#### **Conditions**

- No alternative method of treatment
- No harm or damage to the donor
- Consent of the donor
- Under medical supervision
- The donor should be clinically free from a transmissible disease

- Organ transplantation offers new hope for thousands of ill patients.
- The major clinical problems include
  - tissue rejection
  - organ preservation
  - insufficient facilities and manpower
  - and the high cost of each operation
  - The law has an additional restriction
  - Community

## Sources of organ

- CADAVERIC ORGAN DONATION: Organs taken from deceased people are called cadaveric organs. Cadaver is Latin for "a dead body." A person becomes a cadaveric organ donor by indicating that they would like to be an organ donor when they die. This decision can be expressed either on a driver's license or in a health care directive.
- LIVING ORGAN DONATION Living people who wish to donate their organs can donate in two ways:
- 1. Donate one-half of a paired organ set. Example: Kidney
- 2. Donate a portion of an organ that will still be able to function without it. Example: A portion of the liver. Example: A lobe of the lung

## Types of organ transplantation:

- 1. Auto-transplantation: (to him or back to him)
  - It involves the transplantation of tissue from one individual back to the same individual (e.g., skin, teeth, hair...etc). No tissue rejection.
- <u>2. Isotransplant:</u> Transplant of organ/tissue from a donor to genetically identical recipient is called isograft. There will not be any immune response hence no transplant rejection.
- 3. Allo-transplants: (genetically different ones)
  - Transplants from one individual into another genetically different one, it including cornea, teeth, bone....etc.
  - Due to the genetic difference, the donor's organ will be treated as foreign by the recipient and will try to destroy it. This is called s rejection.
- 4. Xenograft:- (between different species)
  - Where grafts between different species have been performed in the part for skin & heart valves.

## Types of organ transplantation:

- 5. Split transplant: An organ like liver retrieved from the deceased donor can be divided between two recipients, usually an adult and a child.
- 6. Domino transplant: When the lungs are to be transplanted, surgically it is easier to replace them along with the heart. If the recipient's original heart is healthy, it can be transplanted into another recipient in the need of one.
- 7. ABO incompatible transplantation: The immune system of young children aged below 12 months might have developed fully. They can receive organs from incompatible donors.

# Transplantation from a living person to another living one

- There should be no harm or danger on the donor's life.
- The operation should be done in a recognized hospital.
- Well experienced surgical team.
- All essential investigations should be done.
- It is expected that the recipient will get benefits from the operation.

## Cadaveric organ donation

#### Medical definition of death:

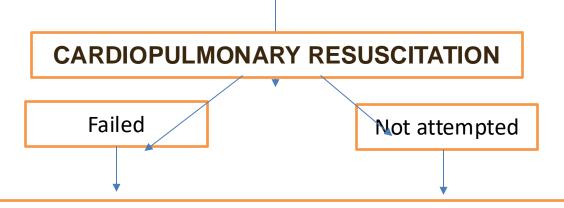
- Until the 1960s, the *cessation of circulation and respiration* was the unchallenged definition of death.
- Due to the development of resuscitation techniques, the definition of death is changed from just *cessation* to *irreversible cessation* of respiratory and heart activity following modern resuscitation attempts.
- The development of life-sustaining equipment that and advanced life sustaining equipment capable of maintaining blood pressure, circulation and respiration in individuals with severe brain injury led to appearance of brain death.
- Brain death: is irreversible brain injury, incapable of sustaining spontaneous respiration and/or circulation, had to be revised to include what is now defined as *brain death*.
- As the vital centers responsible for regulation of respiratory and cardiovascular function are present in the brain stem, it is called brain stem death.

- Almost, there are 2 circumstances of death.
- One whose heart arrested outside hospital or in emergency département.
- The other who is in intensive care unit in coma and on advanced life support equipment.
- In the first case, cardiac death diagnosis is the basis for diagnosis of death.
- In the second case, brain stem death diagnosis has to be done.

#### Process for the clinical determination of death

#### 1. CARDIOCIRCULATORY ARREST

- Unresponsiveness
- Not breathing
- Absence of circulation



Absence of circulation confirmed by the following means

#### **CLINICAL DIAGNOSIS**

Absence of a central pulse on palpation + Absence of heart sound on auscultation + Absence of breathing + absence of pupillary responses to light

The development of transplant surgery and the need of viable organs have resulted in the need for accurate determination of the medical criteria of brain death.

## The medical criteria of brain death

☐Know cause of coma: structural brain damage. ☐ Exclusion of revisable causes of coma as toxic or metabolic. ■No hypothermia: temp more 35C. □Absent brain stem reflexes: ■ No motor response within cranial nerves areas. ■ No pupillary response to light. □ No corneal reflex.

- ☐ No oculovestibular reflex.
- ☐ No oculocephalic reflex
- ☐ No gag reflex
- ☐ Apnea test

### **the rules** that should be followed are:

- 1.Death certificate should be signed by three physicians of good qualification and not from transplant team.
- 2.The dead person should have given a will وصية before death or permission for transplantation.
- 3.Consent of his relatives.

These rules are put to prevent abuse and loss of confidence in physicians.

## THANK YOU

