

RenalMed Transplant Trial Watch: December 2013

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The **Transplant Trial Watch** keeps you informed about the most important recently published Randomized Controlled Trials (RCTs) in renal transplantation: all the new studies you cannot afford to miss!

The Centre for Evidence in Transplantation provides an **Expert Review** of up to 10 carefully selected new RCTs.

These RCTs are available to you in the **Transplant Library database**, together with ALL available evidence-based publications on organ transplantation. This database (recently officially Endorsed by the Cochrane Collaboration) is a truly unique resource for the transplant community. You too can get access to this essential information by requesting a **free trial** and/or a **quotation** for an institutional subscription.

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Kidney transplantation

- **A randomized, crossover pharmacokinetic study comparing generic tacrolimus vs. the reference formulation in subpopulations of kidney transplant patients.**
Bloom RD, Trofe-Clark J, et al. Clinical Transplantation [record in progress].
- **Randomized controlled trial comparing hand-assisted retroperitoneoscopic versus standard laparoscopic donor nephrectomy.**
Dols LF, Kok NF, et al. Transplantation [record in progress].
- **Therapeutic equivalence and pharmacokinetics of generic tacrolimus formulation in de novo kidney transplant patients.**
Min SI, Ha J, et al. Nephrology Dialysis Transplantation [record in progress].
- **Cardiac response to early conversion from calcineurin inhibitor to everolimus in renal transplant recipients: An echocardiographic substudy of the randomized controlled CENTRAL trial.**
Murbraech K, Holdaas H, et al. Transplantation [record in progress].
- **Long-term belatacept exposure maintains efficacy and safety at 5 years: results from the long-term extension of the BENEFIT study.**
Rostaing L, Vincenti F, et al. American Journal of Transplantation 2013; 13(11): 2875-2883.
- **Rapamycin induces ILT3ILT4 dendritic cells promoting a new immunoregulatory pathway.**
Stallone G, Pontrelli P, et al. Kidney International [record in progress].
- **Alemtuzumab induction in renal transplantation permits safe steroid avoidance with tacrolimus monotherapy: a randomized controlled trial.**
Welberry Smith MP, Cherukuri A, et al. Transplantation [record in progress].
- **Comparison of the effects of normal saline versus plasmalyte on acid-base balance during living donor kidney transplantation using the Stewart and base excess methods.**
Kim SY, Huh KH, et al. Transplantation Proceedings 2013; 45(6): 2191-2196.
- **Effects of transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation on pain, walking function, respiratory muscle strength and vital capacity in kidney donors: a protocol of a randomized controlled trial.**
Galli T, Chiavegato L, et al. BMC Nephrology 2013; 14: 7.

NEWS about the Transplant Library

- **Expert Reviews** (written by the Centre for Evidence in Transplantation) have been added to the Transplant Library database
- Links to relevant **Patient Information** have been added
- One-click access to all available free (open access) full text articles
- The **Cochrane Collaboration** has officially endorsed the Transplant Library database, recognizing it as a unique evidence-based resource for the transplant community.

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