

11th International Transplant and Cellular Therapy Course

Barcelona, Spain | 11-13 September 2026



WORD OF WELCOME

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Welcome to the 11th International Transplant and Cellular Therapy Course.

One of the greatest privileges of working in transplantation and cellular therapy is the opportunity to grow alongside a field that never stands still. Every year brings new scientific discoveries, innovative therapeutic approaches, and fresh opportunities to improve the lives of our patients. Equally rewarding is the chance to share this journey with an international community united by a common passion for excellence, collaboration, and innovation.

We are delighted to welcome you to Barcelona for three days of scientific exchange, interactive learning, and professional networking. This year's programme has been carefully designed to provide a comprehensive overview of the latest developments in transplantation and cellular therapies, combining state-of-the-art lectures with case-based discussions, parallel adult and paediatric sessions, and opportunities to engage directly with leading experts.

Highlights of the course include sessions on cell therapy, transplant immunology, graft-versus-host disease, infectious complications, the microbiome, long-term outcomes, and the expanding role of cellular therapies in autoimmune diseases. We are also honoured to host a keynote lecture on Redefining Hodgkin Lymphoma Through Precision Medicine.

Supporting the next generation of professionals remains a cornerstone of this course. Through oral presentations, poster flash talks, and EBMT educational grants, we aim to foster collaboration, encourage scientific discussion, and provide a platform for emerging investigators from across Europe and beyond.

Whether you are joining us as a long-standing member of the transplant community or attending for the first time, we hope this course will inspire new ideas, strengthen existing collaborations, and create lasting professional connections.

Thank you for being part of this experience. We wish you a stimulating, enjoyable, and memorable course, and we look forward to welcoming you to Barcelona on 11-13 September 2026.

The Organising Committee

Antonio Risitano, *Scientific Council Chair with Research & Sciences Portfolio*

Esra Gülderer, *EBMT Trainee Committee Co-Chair*

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Annalisa Ruggeri, *Past Scientific Council Representative with Education Portfolio and Cellular Therapy & Immunobiology Working party Chair*

Donal McLornan, *Past Scientific Council co-Chair with Research & Sciences Portfolio*

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Friday, 11 September 2026

Plenary Room: *Paranimf*

09:00 – 10:30	Session I: Welcome & Kick-off Chairs: <i>Esra Gülderen (FI) & Alex Rampotas (UK)</i>	
09:00 – 09:20	Principles of hematopoietic cell transplantation	Sebastian Giebel (PL)
09:20 – 09:40	Immune reconstitution	Esra Gülderen (FI)
09:40 – 10:00	Current landscape of CAR-T & T cell engineering	Alex Rampotas (UK)
10:00 – 10:10	<i>Case Presentation:</i> When the foundations are rocked - donor withdrawal post start of conditioning	
10:10 – 10:30	Discussion	Lorna Neill (US)
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 12:30	Session II: Foundations of Transplantation and Cellular Therapy Chairs: <i>Luca Vinci (DE) & Giorgio Orofino (IT)</i>	
11:00 – 11:20	The HLA system and donor selection	Neema Mayor (UK)
11:20 – 11:40	Mobilization, collection, and cryopreservation of HSC	Patrick Hayden (IE)
11:40 – 12:00	Conditioning regimens	Anna Sureda (ES)
12:00 – 12:10	<i>Case Presentation:</i> Peri-allograft use of momelotinib in myelofibrosis: outcomes And	
12:10 – 12:30	Impact of discontinuation timing on engraftment kinetics	Trung Ngo (UK)
12:10 – 12:30	Discussion	
12:30 – 13:15	Lunch Break	
13:15 - 14:00	Industry Symposium kindly sponsored by Therakos: "Advancing immunomodulation in GvHD special populations" Leader Chair: Prof Anna Sureda , Catalan Institute of Oncology-Duran I Reynals Hospital, Spain	
13:15 – 13:35	NIH 2025 Chronic GvHD consensus: Unmet needs and considerations for immunomodulatory approaches Prof Hildegard Greinix , Medical University of Vienna, Austria	
13:35 – 13:55	Pediatric GvHD management: Clinical considerations for ECP use Prof Andrew Gennery , Great North Children's Hospital Newcastle, United Kingdom	
13:55 – 14:00	Q&A	
14:00 – 15:30	Session III: Harnessing Immunity Chairs: <i>Anna Sureda (ES) & Marcin Jacinski (PL)</i>	
14:00 – 14:20	Cellular therapies in Autoimmune disease	Raffaella Greco (IT)
14:20 – 14:40	Biology of disease relapse	Luca Vago (IT)
14:40 – 15:00	Immune therapies for post-transplant relapse	Simona Pagliuca (FR)
15:00 – 15:10	<i>Case Presentation:</i> Consolidation of dual MAPK inhibitor therapy by allograft in histiocytic sarcoma: an example of allograft after remission induction using target therapies in a rare haematological neoplasm	
15:10 – 15:30	Discussion	Kate Milne (UK)
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break	

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16:00 – 17:30	Session IV: Post-Transplant Complication Challenges	
	Chairs: Annalisa Ruggeri (IT) & Valentín Ortíz-Maldonado (ES)	
16:00 – 16:20	Graft Failure	Annalisa Ruggeri (IT)
16:20 – 16:40	TMA & VOD	Giorgio Orofino (IT)
16:40 – 17:00	Measurable Residual Disease post allo-HCT	Jürgen Kuball (NL)
17:00 – 17:10	Case Presentation: Secondary HLH following autologous HSCT: a case highlighting Diagnostic complexity and management	
17:10 – 17:30	Discussion	Meiramgu Yussupova (KZ)
17:30 – 18:40	Flash-Talk Session	
	Chairs: Donal McLornan (UK) & Annalisa Ruggeri (IT)	
17:30 – 17:35	Efficacy of Teduglutide in Refractory aGVHD after Haploidentical Allogeneic HCT	Matteo Cristante (IT)
17:35 – 17:40	Ongoing Remission After Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplantation with Reduced-Intensity Conditioning in Refractory DLBCL After Failure of Multiple Prior Therapy Lines Including CAR T-Cells	
17:40 – 17:45	Transient lineage switch in ALL – to allograft or not?	Rita Varga (DE)
(UK)		Adrian Matthew Maraj
17:45 – 17:50	Clinical challenges in the treatment of DLBCL with car-t cells	Maria B. Villacres (SP)
17:50 – 17:55	Two Mutations, One Storm: Metabolic-Immune Crosstalk in EBV-Triggered Hemophagocytic Lymphohistiocytosis	Sefika Akyol (TR)
17:55 – 18:00	Reversible cerebral vasoconstriction syndrome during allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation in a patient with sickle cell disease: a case report	Rafael Uliano (BR)
18:00 – 18:05	Early Secondary Graft Failure After Complete Donor Chimerism with Subsequent Autologous Hematopoietic Reconstitution Following Haploidentical Sibling Allogeneic HSCT for Relapsed B-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia	Rene Jr. Amadore (PH)
18:05 – 18:10	When Mobilization Fails: Bone Marrow Harvest as a Salvage Strategy for ASCT in Heavily Pretreated PCNSL	Vincenzo D'Agostino (IT)
18:10 – 18:15	Severe Hypercholesterolemia Due to Lipoprotein X as the Presenting Manifestation of Hepatic Chronic Graft-Versus-Host Disease after Haploidentical Stem Cell Transplantation	Caroline del Castanhel (CL)
18:15 – 18:20	A tale of recurrent thromboses and complex endothelial syndromes in allogeneic stem cell transplantation for acute myeloid leukaemia	Katrin Alizadeh (UK)
18:20 – 18:25	Early Haploidentical Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation for SMARCD2-Related Neutrophil-Specific Granule Deficiency in Infancy: A Case Report	Deniz Honamli (TR)
18:25 – 18:30	Interaction Between In Vivo T-Cell Depletion and Pharmacokinetic-Guided Busulfan Conditioning in Acute Myeloid Leukaemia in Complete Remission	Corinne Spoto (IT)
18:30 – 18:35	Transplanted with a Broken Heart	Jaime D. Pallo (SP)
18:35 – 18:40	Complex Management of Relapsed/Refractory FLT3-Positive Acute Myeloid Leukaemia with Simultaneous Thrombotic and Haemorrhagic Complications Following Stem Cell Transplantation	Ahd Hassan (AE)

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Saturday, 12 September 2026

Main Track | *Paranimf*

09:00 – 10:30	Session V: Indications for allogeneic HCT in Adults (part I) Chairs Emmanuel Häfliger (CH) & Fabio Ciceri (IT)	
09:00 – 09:15	Introductory Case-based: Indications of HCT in MPN	Trung Ngo (UK)
09:15 – 09:35	Indications of HCT in MPN	Donal McLornan (UK)
09:35 – 09:50	Introductory Case-based: Indications of HCT in MDS	Marcin Jacinski (PL)
09:50 – 10:10	Indications of HCT in MDS	Joanna Drozd-Sokołowska (PL)
10:10 – 10:30	Discussion	
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 12:30	Session V: Indications for allogeneic HCT in Adults (part II) Chairs: Joanna Drozd-Sokolowska (PL) & Trung Ngo (UK)	
11:00 – 11:15	Introductory Case-based: Indications of HCT in AML	Greta Morello (IT)
11:15 – 11:35	Indications of HCT in AML	Fabio Ciceri (IT)
11:35 – 11:50	Introductory Case-based: Indications of HCT In Bone marrow failures	Emmanuel Häfliger (CH)
11:50 – 12:10	Indications of HCT in Bone marrow failures	Alicia Rovó (CH)
12:10 – 12:30	Discussion	
12:30 – 13:15	Lunch Break	
13:15 – 14:05	Oral Session Chairs: Anna Sureda (ES) & Esra Gülderen (FI)	
13:15 – 13:22	<i>Case Presentation:</i> Successful management of refractory primary central nervous system lymphoma with tandem autologous stem cell transplantation and CAR-T: early-sustained response and severe ICANS	Jorge Illarramendi
13:22 – 13:29	<i>Case Presentation:</i> Transfusion-free allogeneic haploidentical hematopoietic Cell transplant	
13:29 – 13:36	<i>Case Presentation:</i> Donor-derived CD19 CAR-T cells as a second transplant-sparing option in extramedullary relapse of acute lymphoblastic leukaemia after haploidentical stem cell transplantation	Athanasios Gakopoulos (GR)
13:36 – 13:43	<i>Case Presentation:</i> Successful immune reconstitution-guided approach in Severe ruxolitinib-refractory gastrointestinal acute GvHD	Gaia Tomadini (IT)
13:43 – 13:50	<i>Case Presentation:</i> Post-transplant allogeneic boost as MRD-guided strategy in CALR-mutated myelofibrosis	Marta Ricci (IT)
13:50 – 13:57	<i>Case Presentation:</i> Rituximab-refractory EBV-PTLD after ATG-based Allogeneic HSCT for aplastic anaemia successfully treated with donor-derived EBV-specific T cells	Lena Stabel (DE)
13:57 – 14:04	<i>Case Presentation:</i> Severe EBV-driven hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis associated with VAV1 variants treated with allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplantation	Lucrecia Oses (AR)
14:05 – 15:30	Session VI: Advances in Multiple Myeloma Chairs: Lydia Lee (UK) & Ilse Kuipers (NL)	
14:05 – 14:25	Transplantation in Multiple Myeloma and Monoclonal Gammopathies	Patrick Hayden (IE)
14:25 – 14:45	CAR-T in Multiple Myeloma	Lydia Lee (UK)
14:45 – 15:05	Management of CRS & ICANS	Valentín Ortiz-Maldonado (ES)
15:05 – 15:15	<i>Case Presentation:</i> CRS and HLH following anti-BCMA CAR-T for Multiple Myeloma	David G. Hernandez (IT)
15:15 – 15:30	Discussion	

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15:30 – 16:00 Coffee Break

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16:00 – 17:30

Session VII: Everything Lymphoid

Chairs: *Ali Bazarbachi (LB) & Greta Morello (IT)*

16:00 – 16:20

Transplant for ALL

16:20 – 16:40

Transplant for Hodgkin Lymphoma

16:40 – 17:00

Cellular Therapy and HCT in Non Hodgkin Lymphoma

17:00 – 17:10

Case Presentation: Role of radiotherapy as holding to CAR-T cell therapy and early consolidation: A case of CNS-relapsed PMBCL

17:10 – 17:30

Discussion

Sebastian Giebel (PL)

Ali Bazarbachi (LB)

Ilse Kuipers (NL)

Vicenzo Cuzzupoli (IT)

17:30 – 18:30

Keynote Lecture by Anna Sureda (ES)

Chair: *Ibrahim Yakoub-Agha (FR)*

17:30 – 18:15

"Redefining the Future": Precision Medicine in Hodgkin Lymphoma

18:15 – 18:30

Discussion

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Paediatrics' Track | Aula Magna

09:00 – 10:30	Session I: Hot topics in paediatric leukaemia Chairs: Krzysztof Kalwak (PL) & Claire Horgan (UK) Second transplant or CAR-T cell therapy in case of ALL relapse posttransplant? AML in 2026 CART Therapy in T-ALL <i>Case Presentation:</i> Sequential Tisagenlecleucel and Haploidentical HSCT in Relapsed Paediatric B-ALL After Prior Allogeneic Transplant Launch of the EBMT Paediatric Masterclass Discussion	Krzysztof Kalwak (PL) Claire Horgan (UK) Robert Chiesa (UK) Alexandra-Flavia Tule (RO) Claire Horgan (UK)
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 12:30	Session II: Inborn Errors Working Party (IEWP) Chairs: Robert Chiesa (UK) & Lisa Ott de Bruin (NL) Transplant for osteopetrosis- lessons learnt from the last 3 decades HCT in Chediak Higashi Immunology in Haematology and Haematology in Immunology: a joint venture or a separate field? <i>Case Presentation:</i> Lymphoproliferative Disease in CTPS1 Deficiency: Single Centre Experience of Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation and Adoptive Cellular Therapies Discussion	Robert Chiesa (UK) Reem Elfeky (UK) Benedetta di Majo (IT) Michail Matalliotakis (UK)
12:30 – 13:15	Lunch Break	
13:15 – 14:05	Oral Session Chairs: Hilda Mekelenkamp (NL) & Benedetta di Majo (IT) <i>Case Presentation:</i> Donor-Derived Virus-Specific T Cells in the Treatment of Refractory Adenovirus Reactivation after Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation Relapsed/Refractory ALK-Positive Anaplastic Large Cell Lymphoma in a Child: Sequential Salvage, Allogeneic HSCT, and Durable Remission with Crizotinib Post-Transplant Relapse Hematopoietic stem cell transplant to rescue hypomorphic RAG deficiency accompanied by immune dysregulation Ruxolitinib-mediated Bridging to HSCT and Therapy of Intestinal GvHD in Neonatal Artemis-SCID Three cases of X-Linked Adrenoleukodystrophy (X-ALD) with distinct family histories managed with allogeneic stem cell transplantation Invasive Pulmonary Mucormycosis During Treatment of Post-Transplant Relapse of Acute Myeloid Leukemia: A Therapeutic Challenge Bridging Severe Infection to Cure: Haplo-identical HSCT in IL2RG-Deficient SCID with ARDS and Complex Post-Transplant Immune Recovery	Agnieszka Sobkowiak (PL) Ankita Chakraborty (IN) Amanda Campbell (US) Judith Nyiro (DE) Kalasekhar Vijaya (UK) Zorana Janković Jovanović (RS) Shivani Patel (IN)
14:05 – 15:30	Session III: Haemoglobinopathies WP + Severe Aplastic Anaemia WP + MDS-EWOG Chairs: Carlo Dufour (IT) & Selim Corbacioglu (DE) HCT for Telemeropathies HCT for Paediatric MDS HCT and gene therapy for Paediatric Haemoglobinopathies in 2026 <i>Case Presentation:</i> Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation in Paediatric Unstable Hemoglobinopathies: Two Rare Cases with Sustained Donor Chimerism and Long-Term Follow-Up Discussion	Carlo Dufour (IT) Luca Vinci (DE) Selim Corbacioglu (DE) Annie Costa (BR)

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Sunday, 13 September 2026

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09:00 – 10:30

Session VIII: GvHD, Microbiome and Long-Term Outcomes

Chairs: *Mette Hazenberg (NL) & Michelle Kenyon (UK)*

09:00 – 09:20

Acute GvHD prophylaxis and therapy

Zinaida Peric (HR)

09:20 – 09:40

Chronic GvHD biology and management

Mette Hazenberg (NL)

09:40 – 10:00

Microbiome and cellular therapy

Florent Malard (FR)

10:00 – 10:20

Late effects surveillance post allo-HCT

Michelle Kenyon (UK)

10:20 – 10:30

Case Presentation: Persistent tissue-invasive CMV disease mimicking steroid-refractory GVHD after allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation

Francisco Marrero (SP)

10:30 – 11:00

Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30

Session IX: Modulating Immunity, Managing Infections

Chairs: *Alex Rampotas (UK) & Raffaella Greco (IT)*

11:00 – 11:20

Management of Infections Post-HCT

Elif Ince (TR)

11:20 – 11:40

Management of Infections Post-CAR-T

Lidia Gil (PL)

11:40 – 12:00

Multidisciplinary Perspectives on Infection Control

Hilda Mekelenkamp (NL)

12:00 – 12:10

Case Presentation: Decoupling antiviral efficacy from toxicity: Maribavir enables CMV-specific immune reconstitution after allo-HSCT

Clelia Monteleone (IT)

12:10 – 12:30

Discussion

12:30 – 13:00

Closing Remarks and Poster Awards

Chairs: *Ibrahim Yakoub-Agha (FR) & Esra Gülderen (FI)*

12:30 – 12:45

What is the EBMT and its mission in cell therapy?

Ibrahim Yakoub-Agha (FR)

12:45 – 13:00

Poster Awards

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Poster Exhibition | Foyer

Take advantage of the networking opportunities during the coffee breaks and lunch to explore the poster exhibition, meet the presenters, and engage in scientific discussion.

POSTER 01 | Ganesan Subramanian (IN):

DADA =2 - Diagnosis and Management by HSCT

POSTER 02 | Akbota Tursyn (KZ):

Allogeneic Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation as an Effective Treatment for Relapsed/Refractory Angioimmunoblastic T-Cell Lymphoma: A Case Study in Kazakhstan

POSTER 03 | Julia de Paula (BR):

Walking the Tightrope: The Treacherous Path in the Management of an Atypical and Severe Graft-versus-Host Disease Case

POSTER 04 | Bibigaisha Adusheva (KZ):

The Use of Pembrolizumab as Monotherapy and in Combination with Chemotherapy in the Treatment of Relapsed/Refractory Classical Hodgkin Lymphoma

POSTER 05 | Fatema Al Wusibai (SA):

Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning for Prediction of Early Complications Following Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

POSTER 06 | Julieth Obedi Elias (TZ):

Patterns of Bacterial, Viral, Parasitic and Fungal Infections in Pediatric Patients Post Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant: A Tanzanian Single-Center Experience Over the Past 3 Years

POSTER 07 | Buga Charles George Kenyi (SS):

Recognizing Pediatric Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia Using Complete Blood Count Parameters in a Resource-Limited Setting: A Case Series from South Sudan

POSTER 08 | Gaia Tomadini (IT):

Successful Immune Reconstitution-Guided Approach in Severe Ruxolitinib Refractory Gastrointestinal Acute GvHD

POSTER 09 | Marwa Ahmed (AE):

Acute Panmyelosis with Myelofibrosis (APMF)

POSTER 10 | Damlanur Kucur (TR):

Treat or wait? A Haunting Neurological Complication After Allo-HSCT

POSTER 11 | Sayna Samaee (GB):

Unexplained Confusion Following Matched Unrelated Donor Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplantation for Accelerated Phase JAK2-Mutated Myeloproliferative Neoplasm

POSTER 12 | Luciana de la Rúa (AR):

Richter Syndrome: The Challenge of Achieving Pre-Transplant Remission

POSTER 13 | Nazar Klimov (RU):

Belumosudil in Children with Refractory Chronic Graft-versus-Host Disease: A Single-Center Experience