

DONATE is a prospective observational cohort study of clinical practices in organ donation (OD) at the highest-volume organ donation hospitals in Canada.

The 4-Centre Pilot is Complete!!!

As of May 1st we had enrolled consented donors at our 4 pilot sites for over 1 year. A big thank you to our study collaborators at Hamilton Health Sciences, London Health Sciences, Sacre-Coeur and Sherbrooke!!!

Over 12 months we were delighted to enrol a total of **180 donors (103 DND, 77 DCD)**.

This resulted in **397 organs recovered!!!**

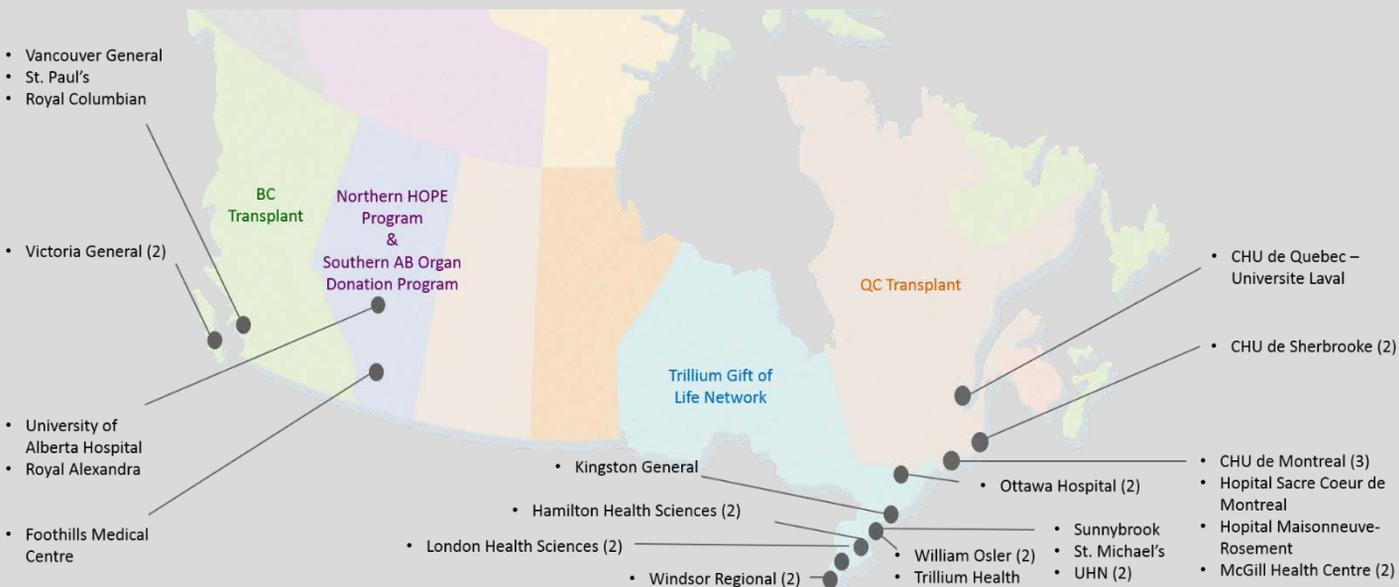
Patients were enrolled in the study for an average of 2.4 days ± 0.7.

Almost All Sites On Board

We would like to extend a very sincere thank you to all of our DONATE collaborators!

Thanks to your hard work we have over **360 donors** enrolled in the national study.

We are now set up to start recruiting at all 33 participating sites across Canada. Additionally all sites will have started enrolling in the national study by the end of July.



Stay tuned for some minor CRF/database changes coming soon. Once these have been completed all sites will start to receive QC reports.

Welcome Aboard Shelley

A very overdue welcome to Shelley Anderson-White, a new member of our team responsible primarily for data validation. Most of you have already been virtually introduced to Shelley through email and iDatafax but it is always nice to put a face to the name. Thank you Shelley for all of your hard work, we are glad to have you as part of the DONATE team!



A Note About the Organ Donor Forms

Through analyzing some of our pilot data we have been made aware that collecting detailed data on organ recovery and decline is a difficult process. In analyzing our pilot data we are coming up with detailed guides on how to complete these forms and will be reaching out to sites to help as best as we can to make sure we are collecting accurate data. In addition 2-4 investigators will adjudicate donation outcomes using data we obtain from the research coordinators and directly from the Organ Donation Organizations (ODOs). We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work through this process.

In Other DONATE News

We are happy to report that 2 DONATE abstracts have been accepted for publication through the American Thoracic Society (ATS), and International Society for Organ Donation and Procurement (ISODP). These abstracts will be presented at their respective conferences.

We are in the midst of preparing 2 manuscripts for publication including the protocol for the national study and the results of our original Hamilton Pilot Study. In the meantime we will be performing analyses on the data from the 4 centre pilot with more publications to follow.

Building the DONATE Research Platform

As the observational study is well on its way we have been working on other aspects of the DONATE study platform. We have been moving forward on the generic outcome measure of graft function and data fidelity study. We are also continuing the development of the Evidence Bulletins and are in the midst of submitting publications related to justification of our waived consent model.

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