

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

	Tuesday 21 April 2026
08:00	Committee Meetings tbc
17:30	OPENING CEREMONY AND AWARDS (PENTLAND SUITE)
19:00	WELCOME DRINK

	Wednesday 22 April 2026		
08:30-10:00	PLENARY SESSION I – HAEMATOPOIETIC STEM CELL TRANSPLANTATION (PENTLAND SUITE)		
08:30	Prof Bronwen Shaw, USA: Donor selection		
09:00	Prof Rob Wynn, UK: Cord blood		
09:30	Prof Katharina Fleishhauer, Germany: Research		
10:00-10:30	REFRESHMENTS, POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING		
10:30-12:00	Pentland	Sidlaw	Fintry
	TEACHING SESSION 1: Non-HLA antibodies in SOT Deborah Pritchard, UK Raphael Carapito, France Clare Collins, UK	ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION 1: Immunogenetics of Infection and Autoimmune Disease	ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION 2: Bioinformatics
12:00-14:00	LUNCH, POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING		
12:00-13:00		Sidlaw	
		Industry Symposium 1	
13:00-14:00			Fintry
			Industry Symposium 2
14:00-15:30	Pentland	Sidlaw	Fintry
	TEACHING SESSION 2: New methods for post transplant monitoring in SOT Manuel Muro, Spain: Donor-Derived Cell-Free DNA in Allograft Transplantation: Exaggerated Hope or Cautious Reality? Jakob Nilsson, Swizerland: Practical aspects of dd-cfDNA integration into post-transplant monitoring Stefan Schaub, Switzerland: Urinary markers post kidney Tx	ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION 3: HSCT	Industry Symposium 3
15:30-16:00	REFRESHMENTS, POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING		
16:00-17:30	PLENARY SESSION 2 – CELL THERAPIES AND REGENERATIVE MEDICINE (PENTLAND SUITE)		
16:00	Prof Roger Barker, UK: Dopamine cell-based replacement therapies		
16:30	Prof Wolfram-Hubertus Zimmermann, Germany: Engineered heart muscle allografts for heart repair in primates and humans		
17:00	Prof Kourosh Saeb-Parsy, UK: Reducing immunogenicity		
17:30	SCIENTIFIC POSTER SESSION		
19:00	SPEAKERS' AND CEPPELLINI DINNER – Playfair Library, University of Edinburgh		

Thursday 23 April 2026			
08:30–10:00	PLENARY SESSION III – JOINT WITH ESOT: INCREASING ACCESS TO TRANSPLANTATION (PENTLAND SUITE)		
08:30	Prof Gabi Oniscu, Sweden: Assessment and Recovery Centres (ARCs)/ organ reperfusion		
09:00	Prof Eckhard Wolf, Germany: Xenotransplantation (Euro approach)		
09:30	Prof Shareen Forbes, UK: Current and future treatments for β cell replacement therapy		
10:00–10:30	REFRESHMENTS, POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING		
10:30–12:00	Pentland	Sidlaw	Fintry
	TEACHING SESSION 3: Non-HLA and non-classical HLA genes in the MHC Lotte Wieten, Netherlands Katarzyna Bogunia-Kubik, Poland Michael Eikmans, Netherlands	ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION 4: Solid organ transplantation	ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION 5: MHC Evolution, Anthropology and Population Genetics
12:00–14:00	LUNCH, POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING		
12:00–13:00		Sidlaw	
		Industry Symposium 4	
13:00–14:00			Fintry
			Industry Symposium 5
14:00–15:30	Pentland	Sidlaw	Fintry
	TEACHING SESSION 4: HLA and Cancer: From Peptide Modeling to Personalized Tumor Vaccines	ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION 6: New Technologies, Cancer Immunogenetics and Reproduction	Industry Symposium 6
15:30–16:00	REFRESHMENTS, POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING		
16:00–17:30	PLENARY SESSION IV- HLA AND DISEASE (PENTLAND SUITE)		
16:00	Prof Lars Fugger, UK: Evolution of Multiple Sclerosis risk		
16:30	Prof Paul Bowness, UK: HLA-B27, spondyloarthritis (innate and adaptive immunity)		
17:00	Prof Nicholas McGranahan, UK: MHC Hammer and cancer evolution		
17:30	EFI MEDAL CEREMONY (PENTLAND SUITE)		
18:00	EFI GENERAL ASSEMBLY (PENTLAND SUITE)		
19:30	NETWORKING EVENING (National Museum of Scotland)		

Friday 24 April 2026	
09:00–10:30	BEST ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION (PENTLAND SUITE)
10:30–11:00	REFRESHMENTS
11:00–12:30	PLENARY SESSION V – ANTIGEN PRESENTATION, NEOANTIGENS AND MiHAs (PENTLAND SUITE)
11:00	Prof Marieke Griffioen, Netherlands: Minor antigens
12:00	Prof Carla Baan, Netherlands: Extracellular vesicles in solid organ transplantation
12:30	Prof Michal Bassani-Sternberg, Switzerland: Cancer immunotherapy
12:30–13:00	CLOSING LECTURE (PENTLAND SUITE)
12:30	Prof John Trowsdale: tbc
13:00–14:00	CLOSING CEREMONY (PENTLAND SUITE)