



## PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Monday 20 April 2026	
09:00	<b>EFI Inspectors Workshop (Tinto + Moorfoot)</b>
	<b>ESHI Diploma Examination</b>

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

Wednesday 22 April 2026			
<b>08:30-10:00</b>	<b>PLENARY SESSION I – HAEMATOPOIETIC STEM CELL TRANSPLANTATION (PENTLAND SUITE)</b>		
08:30	Prof Bronwen Shaw, USA: Donor selection		
09:00	Prof Rob Wynn, UK: Cord blood		
09:30	Prof Katharina Fleishhauer, Germany: Research		
<b>10:00-10:30</b>	<b>REFRESHMENTS, POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING</b>		
<b>10:30-12:00</b>	<b>Pentland</b>	<b>Sidlaw</b>	<b>Fintry</b>
	<b>TEACHING SESSION 1: Non-HLA antibodies in SOT</b> Deborah Pritchard, UK Raphael Carapito, France Clare Collins, UK	<b>ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION 1: Population genetics, infection &amp; disease</b>	<b>ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION 2: Bioinformatics</b>
<b>12:00-14:00</b>	<b>LUNCH BREAK, POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING</b>		
<b>12:00-13:00</b>		<b>Sidlaw</b>	
<b>13:00-14:00</b>		<b>Industry Symposium 1</b>	
<b>14:00-15:30</b>	<b>Pentland</b>	<b>Sidlaw</b>	<b>Fintry</b>
	<b>TEACHING SESSION 2: HLA and Cancer: From HLA antigen presentation modeling to personalized tumor vaccines</b> Nicola Ternette, UK Morten Nielsen, Denmark	<b>ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION 3: HSCT</b>	<b>Industry Symposium 3</b>
<b>15:30-16:00</b>	<b>REFRESHMENTS, POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING</b>		
<b>16:00-17:30</b>	<b>PLENARY SESSION 2 – CELL THERAPIES AND REGENERATIVE MEDICINE (PENTLAND SUITE)</b>		
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	Sandra Petrus-Reurer, UK: Reducing immunogenicity		
<b>17:30</b>	<b>SCIENTIFIC POSTER SESSION</b>		

<b>Thursday 23 April 2026</b>			
<b>08:30-10:00</b>	<b>PLENARY SESSION III – JOINT WITH ESOT: INCREASING ACCESS TO TRANSPLANTATION (PENTLAND SUITE)</b>		
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 $\beta$ cell replacement therapy		
<b>10:00-10:30</b>	<b>REFRESHMENTS, POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING</b>		
<b>10:30-12:00</b>	<b>Pentland</b>	<b>Sidlaw</b>	<b>Fintry</b>
	<b>TEACHING SESSION 3: Non-HLA and non-classical HLA genes in the MHC</b> Lotte Wieten, Netherlands Katarzyna Bogunia-Kubik, Poland Michael Eikmans, Netherlands	<b>ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION 4: Solid organ transplantation</b>	<b>ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION 5: Antigen processing &amp; NK cells</b>
<b>12:00-14:00</b>	<b>LUNCH BREAK, POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING</b>		
<b>12:00-13:00</b>		<b>Sidlaw</b>	
<b>13:00-14:00</b>		<b>Industry Symposium 4</b>	<b>Fintry</b>
			<b>Industry Symposium 5</b>
<b>14:00-15:30</b>	<b>Pentland</b>	<b>Sidlaw</b>	<b>Fintry</b>
	<b>TEACHING SESSION 4: New methods for post transplant monitoring in SOT</b> Manuel Muro, Spain Jakob Nilsson, Switzerland Stefan Schaub, Switzerland	<b>ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION 6: Immunotherapy</b>	<b>Industry Symposium 6</b>
<b>15:30-16:00</b>	<b>REFRESHMENTS, POSTER AND EXHIBITION VIEWING</b>		
<b>16:00-17:30</b>	<b>PLENARY SESSION IV- HLA AND DISEASE (PENTLAND SUITE)</b>		
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		
<b>17:30</b>	<b>EFI MEDAL CEREMONY (PENTLAND SUITE)</b>		
<b>18:00</b>	<b>EFI GENERAL ASSEMBLY (PENTLAND SUITE)</b>		
<b>19:30</b>	<b>NETWORKING EVENT (National Museum of Scotland)</b>		

<b>Friday 24 April 2026</b>			
<b>09:00-10:30</b>	<b>BEST ORAL ABSTRACT SESSION (PENTLAND SUITE)</b>		
<b>10:30-11:00</b>	<b>REFRESHMENTS</b>		
<b>11:00-12:30</b>	<b>PLENARY SESSION V – ANTIGEN PRESENTATION, NEOANTIGENS AND MiHAs (PENTLAND SUITE)</b>		
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		
<b>12:30-13:00</b>	<b>CLOSING LECTURE (PENTLAND SUITE)</b>		
12:30	Prof John Trowsdale: tbc		
<b>13:00-14:00</b>	<b>CLOSING CEREMONY (PENTLAND SUITE)</b>		