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# BRAIN DEATH & CIRCULATORY DEATH

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Dear Colleagues,

Tissue and organ transplantation is the best treatment option for end-stage organ failure. However, organ shortage remains to be the greatest challenge facing the field of organ transplantation. Countries must aim to work towards a system of matching organs as much as possible with the deceased donation to meet the growing demand for organs. This action will not only result in the reduction of organ trafficking activities but shall also prevent unethical and illegal organ transplant activities.



Donation after circulator death (DCD) has gained much attention over the last decade as one of the accepted practices in order to expand the donor pool. Although DCD remains a focus of interest and contributes to donor numbers in many countries, it also poses many challenges medically, ethically and legally. Unfortunately today, controlled DCD is not really in practice in Turkey and the Middle East and its implementation is complicated.

Therefore, we have decided to organize an **International Symposium on “Brain Death and Circulatory Death” on November 29-30, 2023 in Ankara, Turkey**. With this Symposium, we aim to provide an overview of current status of DCD in Turkey and the Middle East and to identify associated concerns medically and ethically.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "M. Haberal".

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