Managing Failure in Face Transplantation

**Gender**
- Male
- Female

**Age**
- 31-40
- 41-50
- 51-60
- 61-70

Have you ever performed a face transplant(s) or are you part of a team planning to perform one within the next 5 years?
- Yes
- No

Does your institution have an IRB-approved vascularized composite allotransplantation program? If yes, what type?
- Yes ________________
- No

How many face transplants have you completed or have you been an integral part of?
- 0
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4 or more

Would you consider a patient who is a minor (under 18 years old) for a face transplant?
- Definitely
- Probably
- Possibly
- Probably not
- Definitely not

How important is it to discuss possibility of transplant failure with face transplant candidates prior to surgery?
- Absolutely essential
- Very important
- Important
- Somewhat important
- Not important

What would you counsel as the rate of failure for face transplantation to patients?
- Failure rate >25%
- Failure rate >50%
- Failure rate >75%
- Failure rate unknown

How important is it to discuss the possibility of mortality with face transplant candidate prior to surgery?
- Absolutely essential
- Very important
- Important
- Somewhat important
- Not important

What would you counsel as the 5-year mortality rate for face transplantation to patients?
- 5-year mortality 1%
- 5-year mortality 5%
- 5-year mortality 10%
- Failure rate unknown
Do you have specific criteria for defining the success of a face transplant?

- Yes
- No

What do you consider a success for a face transplant?

- 5-year survival with good patient satisfaction
- 5-year survival with good functional outcomes
- 5-year survival with good aesthetic outcomes
- 5-year survival with all of the above
- 10-year survival with good patient satisfaction
- 10-year survival with good functional outcomes
- 10-year survival with good aesthetic outcomes
- 10-year survival with all of the above

What do you consider as the best indicator of failure for face transplant? Please rank from 1 = best indicator of failure to 5 = worst indicator of failure.

- High number of acute rejection episodes
- Failure to achieve facial sensation
- Failure to achieve facial muscle movements
- Patient dissatisfaction with aesthetic appearance causing significant impairment in social functioning
- Patient mortality within 5 years of transplant

How important do you think it is to discuss treatment options for chronic rejection prior to surgery?

- Absolutely essential
- Very important
- Important
- Somewhat important
- Not important

Does your institution have a specific protocol for managing chronic rejection in face transplant patients?

- Yes
- No

Do you think a failed face transplant candidate should be considered for re-transplant?

- Yes
- No

If yes to above, who do you believe should pay the costs associated with a re-transplant?

- Patient
- Hospital
- Insurance company

Do you think a patient dissatisfied with functional aspect of his transplant should be considered for a re-transplant?

- Yes
- No

Do you think a patient dissatisfied with aesthetic appearance of his transplant should be considered for a re-transplant?

- Yes
- No