

CIDS –ISOT TRANSPLANT INFECTIOUS DISEASES SUBCOMMITTEE

The Clinical Infectious Diseases Society (CIDS) is an organization of physicians, health professionals, and scientists that advance the specialty of Infectious Diseases (ID) in India through education, research, advocacy, and professional support. The Indian Society of Organ Transplantation (ISOT) is an organization that promotes the advancement of ethical and scientific practices in the field of solid organ transplantation. The transplant ID subcommittee of CIDS has been conducting annual Transplant Infectious Disease conferences to promote the development of TID as a science to impact the delivery of appropriate care to our transplant recipients. With India becoming the transplant hub in the region and the rise in morbidity and mortality in transplant patients due to infections, it is imperative that transplant physicians, surgeons, and ID physicians work together.

The association between CIDS and ISOT dates back to 2015 when the CIDS conducted the second transplant ID conference in collaboration with ISOT and since then they have been valued collaborators conducting these TID conferences annually. CIDS has also partnered with ISOT to bring about Indian guidelines in the management of infections in solid organ transplantation which was published in the Indian Journal of Transplantation.

We are pleased to inform you that the transplant ID subcommittee of CIDS has been endorsed by the Transplant ID subcommittee of ISOT to launch an Immunocompromised /Antifungal ID helpline which will serve as a platform for physicians and transplanters across the country to obtain expert advice regarding management of complex transplant infections from ID specialists from every part of the country. In addition, a lecture series on various management aspects of transplant infections and complex invasive fungal infections have been planned. Please find attached the flyers with the tentative topics and speakers. For more information please log on to <https://cidsindia.org/afih/>