

# Management of delayed graft function

Not all kidneys function immediately and some take a few days or even weeks before functioning. During this time the aim is to ensure that we are not missing concomitant rejection or other reversible injury during this time.

<b>Day 1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Duplex scan</li><li>• Routine immunosuppression. Aim for low level of tacrolimus (5-7) if low immunological risk.</li></ul>
<b>Day 5</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• If no evidence of improvement then biopsy to exclude rejection.</li></ul>
<b>Day 10 - 12</b>	<p>Repeat Duplex/biopsy. Treat rejection as per protocol (page 27-28)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In cases of prolonged delayed graft function, additional biopsies may be required.</li><li>• If haemodialysis is required, NO ANTICOAGULATION must be used during the first post-operative week.</li></ul>