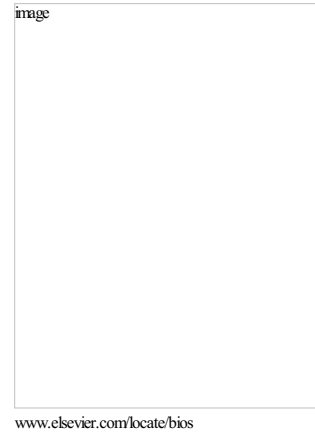


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**Abstract:**

**Background:** Given the shortage of suitable donor hearts for cardiac transplantation, and the favorable safety and efficacy of current agents used to treat hepatitis C (HCV), our institution recently piloted transplantation of selected patients using HCV-positive donors.

**Methods:** Between September 2016 and March 2017, 12 HCV-naïve patients and 1 patient with a history of treated HCV, underwent heart transplantation (HT) using hearts from HCV-positive donors

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