

# BE READY TO SAVE LIVES



## EUROPE LACKS ORGANS, TISSUES AND CELLS FOR TRANSPLANTATION



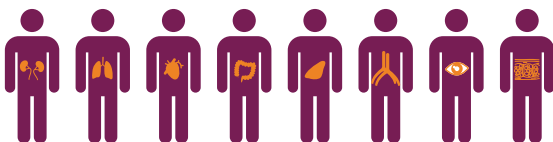
In Europe, nearly **6 new patients** are added to a waiting list every hour and **19 die** every day waiting for a transplant.



**MORE DONORS =  
MORE HOPE**



One single donor can save **8 lives** through organ donation and save/improve up to **100 lives** through tissue donation.



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**HELP THE THOUSANDS OF PATIENTS ON WAITING LISTS!**



## **WHEN IT COMES TO ORGAN DONATION, AGE TRULY DOESN'T MATTER.**

When a potential donor dies, his or her organs and/or tissues are evaluated to determine their suitability for donation. People in their 80s and 90s have successfully donated organs, such as their liver and kidneys, to save the lives of others.

## **SAY YES TO LIVING DONATION!**



You can also consider **HELPING OTHERS WHILE YOU ARE ALIVE** by registering to donate your **stem cells**, found in your **bone marrow** or **peripheral blood**, which can be used for the treatment of **blood disorders and immune diseases**. Or after your baby is born, you can donate the **umbilical cord blood** (which is also rich in stem cells) and/or the **placenta**. You may also consider helping others to fulfil their dream of becoming parents by donating your **oocytes** (women) or **sperm** (men).

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