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Accurate fluid and electrolyte balance are maintained with the help of central venous pressure monitoring. Hyperkalaemia is common in the early post-transplant period, especially in patients with DGF . This should be managed initially with intra venous glucose and insulin but early dialysis is often required. Recovery is straightforward in the majority of renal transplant patients. The bladder catheter is removed on postoperative day 5 and most patients can be discharged on day 6.

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