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The world's first six-liver cross-transplant was performed in Malatya.

Health Minister Fahrettin Koca stated, "The world's first six-liver cross-transplant surgery was performed at the Malatya İnönü University Liver Transplant Institute."



Minister of HealthFahrettin Kocasocial mediaIn a statement made on his account, he announced the world's first six-liver cross-transplant.Malatya The procedure was announced to have been performed at the İnönü University Liver Transplant Institute.

He stated that the first quadruple and quintuple cross-liver transplants were also performed at this center, adding, "Cross-transplant surgeries mean that patients cannot receive organs from their own donors due to blood and tissue incompatibility, even though they have donors. In such cases, a transplant is performed from one donor to another recipient among patients in the same situation. The most advanced of these transplants, the 6-part cross-liver transplant, increases hope for patients waiting for transplants."



"This will give hope to patients waiting for liver transplants."

Koca also shared a video in which Prof. Dr. Sezai Yılmaz, Head of the Liver Transplant Institute at Malatya İnönü

University, described the surgical process. Prof. Dr. Yılmaz stated that while double cross-transplants are performed in many countries around the world, it has been shown that this does not significantly benefit patients awaiting liver transplants, but success is achieved with multiple cross-liver transplants.

Prof. Dr. Yılmaz stated that 9 out of the 11 triple cross-transplants performed so far, as well as quadruple and quintuple cross-liver transplants, were carried out at their institute, adding, "Yesterday, the first ever 6-part cross-liver transplant was performed. It started at 8:00 AM and finished around 8:00 PM, and it was completed without any problems. Our patients are doing very well. I hope this model will be a source of hope for patients waiting for liver transplants both in our country and around the world. These surgeries, including double cross-transplants, are not performed on the same day even in very developed countries abroad, for example in America. But in Malatya, double, triple, quadruple, quintuple, and 6-part cross-transplants are performed as a routine procedure. I think Malatya University will become the center of cross-liver transplantation."