Program
11th Biennial Conference
Hilton Riverside New Orleans
“Current Perspectives & Concepts in Andrology”

Saturday, July 14, 2018

5:00 – 7:00 pm  Registration, Compass Room, Hilton Riverside New Orleans: Register, meet colleagues and have a beverage before enjoying the evening
evening “on your own” in New Orleans

Sunday, July 15, 2018

07:30 am  Registration
Compass Room, Hilton Riverside New Orleans

07:45 am  Introduction to the Conference - Steve Lorton
Chart Ballroom, Hilton Riverside New Orleans

Session 1
“Semen Collection, Preservation and AI”

08:00 - 08:45 am  Application of liquid semen technology under the New Zealand seasonal dairy production system  ZhenZhong Xu, Livestock Improvement Corp., Hamilton, New Zealand

08:45 - 09:30 am  Semen collection, preservation and artificial insemination in the dromedary camel. Julian “Lulu” Skidmore, Camel Reproduction Centre, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

09:30 - 10:30 am  Coffee break / Trade displays / posters

10:30 - 11:10 am  Oral presentations [2 x 20 min]

11:10 - 11:45 am  Presentation of Honoree Awards to:
Duane Garner
Larry A. Johnson

11:45 - 12:30 pm  Poster Presentations
12:30 - 01:30 pm  General Business Meeting and Lunch

**Session 2:**
“Spermatozoal Motility and Fertility”

01:30 - 02:15pm  Photo-stimulation impact on sperm preservation, function and fertilizing ability. Marc Yeste, University of Girona, Girona, Spain

02:15 - 03:00 pm  Spermatozoal motility and fertility: the importance of seminal plasma
Xavier Druart, INRA, France

03:00 - 03:45 pm  Coffee break / Trade displays

03:45 - 04:45 pm  Student Oral Competition [4 x 15 min. ]

06:00 pm - approx. 9:00 pm  Cruise on the Mississippi River aboard the Creole Queen Paddle Boat, dinner and jazz band [optional registration fee]

**Monday, July 16, 2018**

08:00 am  Registration
Compass Room, Hilton Riverside New Orleans

**Session 3:**
“Spermatozoal Morphology”

08:15 - 09:00 am  Systemic versus non-systeymic spermatozoal defects and their influence on fertility. Héctor Chemes, National Research Council, Buenos Aires, Argentina

09:00 - 09:45 am  Identification of genomic variants causing sperm abnormalities and variation in male fertility. Jerry Taylor, University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri, USA

09:45 - 10:45 am  Coffee break / Trade displays / Posters

10:45 - 11:30 am  *In vitro* sperm quality assays: how good are they? Charles Love, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, USA

11:30 - 11:55 am  Oral presentations [2 x 20 min.]

11:55 - 01:30 pm  Lunch / Trade displays
Session 4:
“Spermatozoal Organelles”

01:30 - 02:15 pm  Poster presentations

02:30 - 03:15 pm  Sperm mitochondria: Organelle of many functions. Stuart Meyers, University of California - Davis, Davis, California, USA

03:15 - 04:35 pm  Oral presentations [4 x 20 min]

04:35 - 05:00 pm  Student prize award & closing remarks – Simon de Graaf