Sunday, 9 October 2011

WCRB Registration Opens

4:00 PM - 6:30 PM Foyer

WCRB Welcome Reception

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Cairns Convention Centre

Monday, 10 October 2011

Registration desk open

7:30 AM - 5:00 PM Foyer

Plenary Lecture 1

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Hall A

Chair: Charles Allan

Peter Koopman

Foundations of Fertility: Signaling pathways regulating fetal germ cell

development abs#080

The WCRB acknowledges the support of:

Morning Tea 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Concurrent symposia sessions I-III

Session I: Periconception origins of postnatal development and disease

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Hall A

Chairs: Rebecca Robker, Wee Ching Kong

10:00am Tom Fleming

Rodent preimplantation maternal low protein diet model and adult cardiovascular

disease abs#081

10:30am Kevin Sinclair

One-carbon metabolism and epigenetic programming in the oocyte and pre-implantation

embryo abs#082

11:00am Caroline McMillen

Maternal obesity and the early origins of childhood obesity: Weighing up the benefits and costs

of maternal weight loss in the periconceptional period for the offspring abs#083

11:30am Tod Fullston

Diet induced paternal obesity epigenetically modifies sperm and impairs the reproductive

health of two subsequent generations in a mouse model. abs#084

11:45am Xiang-Hong Ou

Maternal insulin resistance causes oxidative stress and mitochondrial dysfunction in

oocytes abs#085

Session II: Molecular control of meiotic progression

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Room 1 & 2

Chairs: Janet Holt, Jeremy Thompson

10:00am Mary Ann Handel

Regulation of exit from meiotic prophase abs#086

10:30am Keith Jones

Cdh1/Fzr1 in the maintenance of prophase arrest and prevention of aneuploidy abs#087

11:00am Qing-Yuan Sun

Mechanisms regulating accurate chromosome segregation during mouse oocyte

meiosis abs#088

11:30am Greg Fitzharris

Chromosome segregation in mammalian oocytes abs#089

Session III: Revelations in neuroendocrine control of reproduction

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Room 3 & 4

Chairs: John Nilson, Chris Scott

10:00am lain Clarke

Metabolic regulation of the reproductive Axis abs#090

10:30am Hiroaki Okamura

GnRH pulse generation by hypothalamic kisspeptin/neurokinin b/dynorphin neurons abs#091

11:00am Kevin Murphy

The design of a kisspeptin-10 analogue with greater in vivo bioactivity than kisspeptin-

10. *abs#092*

11:30am Cheryl Ashworth

Effects of pre-natal stress and post-natal pain on the steroidogenic capacity of young pig

gonads abs#093

11:45am Stephanie Lee

A transcriptomic examination of sexual differentiation in zebrafish abs#094

Lunch Break

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Foyer

Plenary Lecture 2

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Hall A

Chair: Qing Yuan Sun

Haibin Wang

Molecular determinants of blastocyst competency for implantation abs#095

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Concurrent symposia sessions IV-VI

Session IV: Understanding ovarian function to maximise animal production

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Hall A

Chairs: Helen Irving-Rodgers, Masafumi Tetsuka

2:00pm Milo Wilbank

Sex and the single follicle: Mechanisms involved in selection of one or multiple dominant

follicles in cattle abs#096

2:30pm Kenneth McNatty

Hierarchical ovarian follicular development and ovulation-rate abs#097

3:00pm Kivoshi OKUDA

Factors and microenvironments regulating CL function - hypoxia in luteal physiology -

abs#098

Session V: Sperm development and function

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Room 1 & 2

Chairs: Mai Sarraj Liza O'Donnell

2:00pm Charles Allan

Steroidal control of Sertoli cell and spermatogenic development abs#099

2:30pm Wei Yan

Regulation of spermatogenesis by small non-coding RNAs abs#100

3:00pm Shosei Yoshida

Sperm stem cell behaviors in mouse testis abs#101

Session VI: Preserving and preventing fertility

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Room 3 & 4

Chairs: Guiying Nie, William S Yeung 2:00pm Teruhiko Wakayama

Development of novel cloning and ART methods for animal production and species

preservation abs#102

2:30pm John Aitken

Pioneering therapies to preserve or prevent sperm function and to protect against Sexually

Transmitted Diseases (STDs) abs#103

3:00pm Evdokia Dimitriadis

Regulation of implantation at the fetal-maternal interface: Opportunities for new

contraceptives. abs#104

Afternoon Tea

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM Foyer

Plenary Lecture 3

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Hall A

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Chair: Jock Findlay

John Eppig

Oocytes Under Arrest: A "Whodunit" abs#105

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WCRB Posters: - Session 1

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM Hall B

Tuesday, 11 October 2011

Registration Desk Open

7:30 AM - 5:00 PM Foyer

Plenary Lecture 4

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Hall A

Chair: Chang-Gyu Lee

Nam-Hyung Kim

The role of microRNAs on the epigenetic regulation of fertilized and cloned embryo

development abs#110

The WCRB acknowledge the support of the: Korean Society for Animal Reproduction

Morning Tea

9:30 AM - 10:00 AM Foyer

Concurrent symposia sessions VII-IX

Session VII: Advances in germ line stem cell production

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Hall A

Chairs: Gary Hime, Kate Loveland

10:00am Ji Wu

Production of offspring from germ line stem cells in new born ovary abs#111

10:30am Shaorong Gao

Pluripotency and therapeutic potential of induced pluripotent stem cells abs#112

11:00am Jeong Mook Lim

Knowledge from model; germline- or nongermline-derived, stem cell-like cells and their

application for deriving tissue-specific stem cells abs#113

11:30am Qi Zhou

Pluripotent stem cells and the potential application in regenerative medicine abs#114

Session VIII: Molecular Control of Ovarian Function

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Room 1 & 2

Chairs: Karla Hutt, Bruce Murphy

10:00am Mats Brännström

Molecular mechanisms of ovulation abs#115

10:30am Rebecca Robker

Novel pathways linking adiposity and dysfunction of ovulation and oocytes abs#116

11:00am Richard Anderson

The diverse roles of neurotropins in ovarian function abs#117

11:30am Michel De Vos

Embryo yield and quality after non-hCG primed IVM and conventional ICSI in PCO

patients abs#118

11:45am Tomoko Nakamura

GDF-9 induces connexin 43 and enzymes of cholesterol biosynthesis in human granulosa

cells abs#119

Session IX: New aspects of uterus and placental function

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Room 3 & 4

Chairs: Lois Salamonsen, Haibin Wang

10:00am Simon Riley

The essential role of the placenta and fetal membranes at the fetal-maternal interface for a

successful pregnancy and initiation of labour abs#120

10:30am Norihiro Sugino

Aberrant DNA methylation in uterine leiomyomas abs#121

11:00am Kazuyoshi Hashizume

Novel factors involved in the cross-talk between mother and fetus during pregnancy: Multinucleation and functions of bovine trophoblastic cells for implantation. abs#122

11:30am Joanna James

Trophoblasts do not migrate retrograde to flow in low shear stresses: consequences for spiral

artery remodelling in the first trimester of human pregnancy abs#123

11:45am Wai Sum O

The role of adrenomedullin in tubal ectopic pregnancy abs#124

Lunch Break

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Foyer

Plenary Lecture #5

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Hall A

Chair: Greg FitzHarris

John Carroll

Time, space and energy in the mammalian oocyte abs#125

The WCRB acknowledges the support of:

Concurrent symposia sessions X-XI

Session X: Gametes and early embryo development

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Hall A

Chairs: Ken Sawai, Keith Jones 2:00pm Kazuo Yamagata

Genetic and epigenetic landscape of mouse preimplantation development revealed by live-cell

imaging abs#126

2:30pm Dong Jin

RNA polymerase II CTD regulation in mammalian oocytes and early embryos abs#127

3:00pm Suzannah Williams

Embryos generated from oocyte lacking complex N- and O- glycans have compromised

implantation and development. abs#128

3:15pm Simon Lane

Attachment, but not tension or position, mediated satisfaction of the SAC underlies the susceptibility of mammalian oocytes to chromosome segregation defects. abs#129

Session XI: Update on the Hypothalamo-Pituitary-Gonadal Axis

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Room 1 & 2

Chairs: Hiroko Tsukamura, Richard Lea

2:00pm John Nilson

Calcineurin and NFAT are new members of the GnRH transcriptional network abs#130

2:30pm Mary Hunzicker-Dunn

FSH Regulation of *Lhcgr* Expression in Granulosa Cells. abs#131

3:00pm Paul Fowler

Environmental exposures and reproductive development and function in the female abs#132

Session XII: Tailored Therapies for Reproductive Medicine

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Room 3 & 4

Chairs: Ray Rodgers, Noruhiro Sugino

2:00pm Stephen Hillier

The ovary from basic science to clinical translation abs#133

2:30pm Kylie Dunning

Ovarian Follicle Metabolism and Culture for Fertility Preservation. abs#134

3:00pm Claire Roberts

Parental genotype and risk for preeclampsia abs#135

Afternoon Tea

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM Foyer

Plenary Lecture #6

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Hall A

Chair: Darryl Russell

Johan Smitz

A roadmap to obtain competent oocytes from preserved ovarian tissue abs#136

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WCRB Posters- session 2 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Hall B

Conference BBQ Dinner & Dance 7:00 PM - 12:00 AM Tickets required

Outdoor Veranda and Hall D

Wednesday, 12 October 2011

Registration Desk Open

7:30 AM - 12:00 PM Foyer

Plenary Lecture #7

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Hall A

Chair: Noboru Manabe (TBC)

Hiroshi Nagashima

The interface between reproductive biology and regenerative

medicine abs#140



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Morning Tea

9:30 AM - 10:00 AM Foyer

Concurrent symposia sessions XII-XIV

Session XIII: Gamete quality challenges to healthy reproductive outcomes

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Hall A

Chairs: Eileen McLaughlin, Suzannah Williams

10:00am Evelyn Telfer

Oocyte somatic cell interactions promoting follicle activation and development abs#142

10:30am William Yeung

Glycodelin-C and the role of cumulus complex in natural sperm quality selection abs#141

11:00am Takahiro Arima

Aberrant DNA methylation of imprinted loci in sperm from oligospermic patients abs#143

11:30am Jorma Toppari

Environmental modifiers of male reproductive functions abs#144

Session XIV: Chromatin modifications and packaging in mature Sperm

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Room 1 & 2

Chairs: Moira O'Bryan, John Aitken

10:00am Hisato Kobayashi

Mouse gametic DNA methylomes show the role of intragenic DNA methylation in the

establishment of oocyte-specific heritable marks abs#145

10:15am **Duangporn Jamsai**

RNA binding motif 5 dysfunction causes male infertility in mice by disrupting spermatid

maturation abs#146

10:30am Douglas Carrell

Chromatin in human sperm, packaging genes for embryo development abs#147

11:00am Hitoshi Kurumizaka

Structural and functional analyses of human nucleosomes containing testis-specific histone

variants abs#148

11:30am Shaun Roman

Nucleosome retention during chromatin packaging in human spermatozoa. abs#149

Meeting Close

12:00 PM - 12:15 PM Hall A