



**Canadian Fertility and Andrology Society
CFAS 2019 Annual Meeting Preliminary Agenda**

Note: Prince Edward Island Room – Speaker Ready Room

Nunavut Room – CFAS Office Room

Alberta Room: Exhibitor Lounge

Wednesday September 18th, 2019

7:30 a m - 5:00 p m	Registration for Preconference starts at 7:30am Escalator Foyer
9:00 a m - 12:00 p m	Board Meeting Newfoundland and Nova Scotia Room
12:00 p m - 4:00 p m	Board and Advisory Meeting Newfoundland and Nova Scotia Room
11:30 a m - 4:30 p m	PRECONFERENCE BASIC SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM – Shaw Centre, Meeting Room 201
10:00 a m - 8:00 p m	PRECONFERENCE NURSING SYMPOSIUM AND NURSES RECEPTION Quebec Room Reception: Daly's Restaurant (5:00-8:00 pm)

Thursday September 19th, 2019 – Special Interest Group Sessions & Exhibitor Setup

5:00 a m - 11:00 a m	Stronco Design Move-In				
11:00 a m - 6:00 p m	Exhibitor Move-In				
7:30 a m - 4:00 p m	Registration Escalator Foyer				
8:00 a m - 11:30 a m	IVF Directors Meeting 7:30am to 12:00noon Ontario Room	SIG SESSIONS Governor General I Law and Ethics/Counselors Combined SIG Speaker Session and Panel Discussion 8:00 to 10:15	SIG SESSIONS Governor General II Fertility Preservation SIG Speaker Session 9:00 to 10:00	SIG SESSIONS Governor General III SRE/Andrology/ART Lab Combined SIG Speaker Session 8:00 to 10:00	SIG SESSIONS Quebec Room Administrative SIG Speaker Session and Panel Discussion 8:00 to 10:30

		SIG SESSIONS Governor General I Business Meetings for Law and Ethics SIG 10:15 to 11:00	SIG SESSIONS Governor General II Business Meetings for Nurses SIG 10:00 to 11:00	SIG SESSIONS Governor General III Business Meetings for ART Lab SIG 10:00 to 11:00	Quebec Room Business Meeting for Administrative SIG 10:30 to 11:30
		Newfoundland and Nova Scotia Room Business Meetings for Counsellors SIG 10:15 to 11:00	Saskatchewan Room Business Meetings for Genetics SIG 10:00 to 11:00	British Columbia Room Business Meetings for Andrology SIG 10:00 to 11:00	Manitoba Room Business Meeting for Scientists in Reproductive Endocrinology SIG 10:00 to 11:00
11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Science Light Governor General I/II Are common environmental contaminants affecting human fertility and fetal development? Speaker: Patricia Hunt (11:30 am-12:00 pm) If only they could talk: what can RNA in embryo media tell us? Speaker: Jonathan LaMarre (12:00 pm to 12:30 pm)				
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Free Time		Third-Party SIG Open House (Quebec room)		

Thursday September 19th, 2019

7:30 am – 4:00 pm	Registration Escalator Foyer
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Opening Ceremonies Governor General I/II/III Keynote Address: Reproductive Medicine for Endangered Species Thomas Hildebrandt Symposium I “IT TAKES A VILLAGE”
2:30 pm – 3:05 pm	Lecture 1 Global Access to Infertility Treatment: Building Reproductive Networks – Experience from Africa Speaker: Silke Dyer
3:05 pm – 3:35 pm	Health Break
3:35 pm – 4:10 pm	Lecture 2

4:10 p m – 4:45 p m	<p>Interdisciplinary Team Optimization, Communication, Personalized Care, Customer Service, and Administration Speaker: Rob Kiltz</p> <p>Lecture 3 Integrating Researchers into a Busy Fertility Center to Produce Impactful Research Speaker: Richard Scott</p>
4:45 p m – 5:30 p m	<p>CARTR Report Governor General I/II/III</p>
5:30 p m – 7:00 p m	<p>Poster Session (1.5 hours) Confederation Foyer</p>

Friday September 20th, 2019

7:30 a m – 8:00 a m	Light Breakfast in Exhibit Area	
7:30 a m – 4:00 p m	Registration Escalator Foyer	
8:00 a m – 8:45 a m	<p>Van Campenhout Symposium II New Technologies Science Governor General I/II/III</p> <p>The Personal Genome Project Canada: Discovery of Disease Susceptibility Genes Speaker: Stephen Scherer</p>	
8:45 a m – 9:20 a m	Exhibits Open 7:30 am to 4 pm	<p>Lecture 1 Genome editing in mammalian embryos and beyond: Current state of the art and future potential Speaker: Ben Davies</p>
9:20 a m – 9:55 a m		<p>Lecture 2 New Insights on Clinical Aspects of PGT-A Speaker: Richard Scott</p>
9:55 a m – 10:30 a m		<p>Lecture 3 Imaging the Causes of Aneuploidy at the Beginning of Life Speaker: Greg FitzHarris</p>
10:30 a m – 11:00 a m	Health Break at the Exhibit Exhibit Hall – Confederation Ballroom	
11:00 a m – 12:30 p m	Oral Communication – Basic Science I	Oral Communication – Clinical Science I Provinces II

Roundtable Discussions:
9:00 – 10:30 am

Law and Ethics: 'The New Regulations under s. 12 of the Assisted Human Reproduction Act. Where do we go from here?' with Dr. Amir Attaran
Cedar Room

Counsellors: 'Single by Chance, Mothers by Choice: Issues and Challenges' with Dr. Rosanna Hertz
Ash Room

		Provinces I		
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.		Lunch at the Exhibit Exhibit Hall – Confederation Ballroom		
1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.		Concurrent Session A: Andrology Governor General I	Concurrent Session B: Clinical Governor General II	Concurrent Session C: Counselling, Ethics and Law Governor General III
				Concurrent Session D: Reproductive Surgery and Imaging Provinces II
1:30 p.m. – 2:10 p.m.		Robotic selection of a single sperm with high DNA integrity for ICSI Speaker: Yu Sun	Is it Possible to Personalize Luteal Phase Support in ART? Speaker: Human Fatemi	Is It Time to Reconsider the Ban on Non-Therapeutic Preimplantation Sex Selection? Speaker: Donrich Thaldar
2:10 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.		Effects of (Endo)cannabinoids on Male Reproduction Speaker: Mauro Maccarrone	Challenges in the effective provision of Fertility Preservation for girls and young women Speaker: Richard Anderson	Random Families: Genetic Strangers, Sperm Donor Siblings and the Creation of New Kin Speaker: Rosanna Hertz
2:50 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.		Male Infertility as a Window to Health Speaker: Michael Eisenberg	Management Strategies for the Treatment of Poor Responders Speaker: Owen Davis	Legal Principles and Seminal Legal Cases in Oocyte Donation Speaker: Susan Crockin
3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.		Health Break at the Exhibit Exhibit Hall – Confederation Ballroom		
4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.		State of the Art Lecture – Plenary Creating Embryos – Where Science May Lead Us in the Future Speaker: Gerald Schatten Governor General I/II/III		
4:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.		AGM – Members Only Provinces I/II		
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.		Poster Session (1.5 hr) Confederation Foyer		

7:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.	President's Dinner with Special Lecture: The Chemistry of Love Special Speaker: Dr. Joseph A. Schwartz (McGill University) Shaw Centre: Trillium Room (Offsite)
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Saturday September 21st, 2019

7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.	Light Breakfast in Exhibit Area	
7:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Registration Escalator Foyer	
8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	John Collins Symposium III Governor General I/II/III	
8:45 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.	Evolving from 4 Decades of Subjective Embryo Selection to Objective to Maximize Live Birth Rates Speaker: Simon Fishel	Roundtable Discussions: 9:00 – 10:30 am Law and Ethics: Posthumous Gamete Donation with Dr. Donrich Thaldar Cedar Room Counsellors: Counselling Issues Related to PGT-A and Mosaicism: Exploring the Emotional Impact and Complexities of Inconclusive Results with Dr. Julia Woodward Ash Room
9:20 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.	Lecture 1 The Oocyte Strikes Back - Small RNAs in Embryo Genome Defence (and what it means for ART) Speaker: Jonathan LaMarre	
9:55 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Lecture 2 The Incubator Function of the Uterus: Oxygen, Temperature and pH Dynamics in the Female Reproductive Tract Speaker: Ying Cheong	
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Lecture 3 What Exactly is Endometrial Receptivity? Speaker: Bruce Arthur Lessey	
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Health Break at the Exhibit Exhibit Hall – Confederation Ballroom	
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Oral Communication– Clinical Science II – Provinces I	Oral Communication – Basic Science II - Provinces II
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Lunch at the Exhibit Exhibit Hall – Confederation Ballroom	

Exhibits Open 7:30 am to 4 pm

1:30 p m – 3:30 p m	Concurrent Session A: IVF Laboratory Governor General I	Concurrent Session B: Physicians/Nursing /Administration Governor General II	Concurrent Session C: Basic Science Governor General III	Concurrent Session D: Third-Party Reproduction Provinces II
1:30 p m – 2:10 p m	Safety in the IVF lab Speaker: Rebecca Holmes	Professional Development and Competency Speaker: Zubin Austin	Y Chromosome Contribution to Spermatogenesis Speaker: Monica Ward (SSR exchange speaker)	Legal Aspects of Third-Party Reproduction in Canada – My Personal Experience Speaker: Doreen Brown
2:10 p m – 2:50 p m	Artificial Intelligence and Automation in the IVF lab Speaker: Cristina Hickman	Assume Not: Providing High Quality Care for Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Individuals Speaker: Molly Moravek	Environmental Effects on Reproductive Health Speaker: Patricia Hunt	Parenthood Through ART: Should There Be An Upper Age Limit? Speaker: Julia Woodward
2:50 p m – 3:30 p m	Development of New Technologies for Preimplantation Genetic Testing Speaker: Svetlana Madjunkov	The Role of Social Media and the Internet in Fertility Practice Speaker: Ron Harman King	Making Human Oocytes from Stem Cells Speaker: Evelyn Telfer	Bringing a legal challenge: Why the prohibition on paid gamete donation and surrogacy is probably unconstitutional Speaker: Amir Attaran
3:30 p m – 4:30 p m	Debate: Should we use only 'evidence based' therapies in our ART practice or should we ever offer the use of 'unproven' therapies when requested by patients, or as part of our practice? Speakers: Dr. Bill Buckett vs. Dr. Cliff Librach Provinces I			
4:30 p m – 5:00 p m	Awards/Closing Ceremony Governor General I/II/III			

*Please note that this is a PRELIMINARY AGENDA. Times of events and lectures are subject to change.