



Canadian Fertility and Andrology Society
Société canadienne de fertilité et d'andrologie

CFAS 70th Annual Meeting 2024

Preliminary Agenda

“Past, Present and Future, Celebrating 70 Years of Innovation, Science and Medicine”

September 12th – September 14th, 2024

The Westin Bayshore, Vancouver, BC

PRECONFERENCE: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th, 2024

7:30 am – 4:00 pm	Registration for Preconference starts at 7:30 am			
8:00 am – 10:30am	Preconference Symposium Workshops 1- CSIG/NSIG Workshop 9:00am -12:00pm Room: Salon 1 Trauma-Informed Fertility Care Alexandra Blight	Preconference Symposium Workshops 2 -ASRM Workshop 8:00am-12:00pm Room: Salon 2	Preconference Symposium Workshops 3-ART/Andrology Workshop 8:00 -12:00 Room: Oak 1 Sample Transport & Freeze Devices. Risks of Accepting Samples on Devices That You do not Know, in Media You do not Know Dawn Kelk "HC Regulations and Ethics" and How Practically we Can Assure we are Meeting These Regulations Especially in Relation to Receiving Samples From Other Clinics and Distributors. Dr. Beth Taylor “Anonymous Sperm and Ova Donor Importation and Distribution” Haimant Bissessar Sample Transport, From the Lens of the Shipping Company. Standardisation of Sample Shipment Across Canada Patrick Storr	Lab Director Exam #1 9:00 – 11:00 Arbutus
10:30am – 12:00 pm	Foundations and Impact of Trauma Lori Parker			Lab Director Exam #2 11:00- 1:00 Arbutus
12:00pm -13:00pm	Lunch			
13:00pm – 16:00 pm	Preconference Workshops 1- CSIG/NSIG Workshop Continued 13:00-16:00 Room: Salon 1 Woman, Pain and Trauma Susan Burton (Virtual) Heart Medicine: Plant Kin as Allies for Caregivers Cassie Sutherland & Audrey Siegl	Preconference Workshops 3-ART Lab/Andrology Workshop Continued 13:00-16:00pm Room: Oak 1 Vitrification and a Review on the Compatibility of Different Cryo Media Debbie Venier Hands on Experience w/ different Cryo Devices Room: Oak 2	Preconference Workshops 4 -Clinician Workshop 13:00-16:00pm Room: Seymour (TBC) What I learned from the Top 0.01% - Lessons on Wealth, Taxes, and Happiness Dr. Stephanie Zhou	
16:00 – 18:00pm	Nursing Reception			
14:00 – 18:00pm	Exhibitor Setup and Move in			



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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12th, 2024

7:00 – 12:00 pm	Exhibitor Set up & Move in	
7:30 am – 16:00 pm	Registration	
8:00 am – 10:00 am	IVF Directors Meeting – In Camera Session Room: Oak	Board Meeting Room: Mackenzie 8:30-12:00pm
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Science Light Stanley Park Ballroom Chair: TBD Ovarian and Uterine PRP as an Alternative Fertility Treatment Dr. Cliff Librach	
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch in the Exhibit Hall	Board & Advisory Committee Lunch Meeting Room: Mackenzie

OFFICIAL PROGRAM START - THURSDAY, September 12th, 2024 - AFTERNOON

13:00pm - 16:00 pm	Exhibits open from 12:00 pm – 16:45pm	Opening Lecture and Symposium I – Stanley Park Ballroom Chair: Alex Lagunov 13:00-13:15 Opening Remarks, Land Acknowledgement & Award Ceremony Opening Lecture: The IVF Clinic: Fertile Ground for Leader Development Col. Jordon Swain SYMPOSIUM I: The First Century of the IVF Laboratory: From Artisanal to Automation Dr. Jacques Cohen SYMPOSIUM II: The Vaginal and Endometrial Microbiomes as They Impact Fertility Dr. Deborah Money
16:00 – 16:30 pm		Health Break in the Exhibit Hall
16:30 pm – 17:30 pm		CARTR Report Stanley Park Ballroom
17:30 pm – 19:00 pm		Poster Presentation Reception Bayshore Grand Foyer



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Friday, September 13th, 2024

7:30 am – 8:00 am	Light Breakfast in Exhibit Area		
7:30 am – 16:00 pm	Registration		
8:00 am – 10:30 am	<p align="center">Van Campenhout Lecture: Stanley Park Ballroom</p> <p align="center">Controversies in IVF: Can the Laboratory Influence Embryo Aneuploidy? Dr. Jason Swain</p> <p align="center">SYMPOSIUM I Using Artificial Intelligence to Identify Sperm Epigenome Signatures that are Predictive of Environmental Factors and Clinical Outcomes Sarah Kimmins</p> <p align="center">SYMPOSIUM II Posthumous Sperm Cryopreservation Dr. Ariel Revel - Virtual</p> <p align="center">SYMPOSIUM III Art of Creation Dr. Deborah Sloboda</p>		
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Health Break at the Exhibit		
11:00 am – 12:30 pm	Oral Communication – Basic Science I: The Grand Ballroom D	Oral Communication – Clinical Science I Stanley Park Ballroom	
12:30 – 13:30 pm	Lunch at the Exhibit -		
13:30 pm – 15:30 pm	<p>Concurrent Session A: Basic Science The Grand Ballroom</p> <p>Reproductive Tissue Organoids Dr. Alexander Beristain</p> <p>Pluripotent Stem Cell-Derived Models of the Human Ovary Merrick Pierson Smela</p> <p>New Methods for the Preservation and Reanimation of Oocytes and Ovarian Tissue Dr. Pierre Comizzoli</p>	<p>Concurrent Session B: CSIG and E&L SIG: Surrogacy in Canada: Experiences and Insights from Intended Parents and Surrogates Stanley Park Ballroom</p> <p>Surrogacy Laws in Canada: Exploring Intended Parents' Experiences & Perspectives Prof. Stefanie Carsley</p> <p>Surrogates' Voices: Exploring Surrogates' Experiences and Insights Prof. Vanessa Gruben</p> <p>Small Group Discussion Open Discussion</p>	<p>Concurrent Session C: Andrology Cypress</p> <p>Treatment of Sperm DNA Damage Dr. Armand Zini</p> <p>Clinical Application for Sperm RNA Assessment Dr. Stephen A. Krawetz</p> <p>Fluidics and AI for Male Fertility Dr. Reza Nosrati</p>
15:30 pm – 16:00 pm	Health Break at the Exhibit		
16:00 pm – 16:45 pm	<p align="center">State of the Art Lecture – Plenary: Stanley Park Ballroom</p> <p align="center">The Future of Genetic Therapeutics in Fertility Dr. Pranam Chatterjee</p>		
16:45 pm – 17:30 pm	<p align="center">AGM (Members Only) Grand Ballroom D</p>		
17:30pm – 19:00pm	<p align="center">Poster Presentation Reception Bayshore Grand Foyer</p>		
19:00 pm- 00:00 am	<p align="center">President's Dinner Stanley Park Ballroom</p>		

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Saturday, September 14th, 2024

7:30 am – 8:00 am	Light Breakfast in Exhibit Area		
7:30 am – 16:00 pm	Registration		
8:00 am – 10:30am	<p>John Collins Lecture: Stanley Park Ballroom</p> <p>When Euploid Embryos Don't Succeed Jeremy Grushcow</p> <p>SYMPOSIUM I Racial Inequities in Access to Fertility Care Dr. Marjorie Dixon</p> <p>SYMPOSIUM II Obesity and Fertility Alyse Goldberg</p> <p>SYMPOSIUM III Business of REI/Reproductive Medicine Dr. Tom Molinaro</p>		
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Health Break in the Exhibit Hall		
11:00 am – 12:30 pm	Oral Communication – Basic Science II: Salon 1&2	Oral Communication – Clinical Science II Salon D	
12:30 – 13:30 pm	Lunch in the Exhibit Hall		
13:30 pm – 15:30 pm	<p>Concurrent Session D: Clinical Grand Ballroom D</p> <p>Fertility Preservation for Transgender and Gender Diverse Patients Dr. Molly Moravek</p> <p>Endometriosis Management and Advanced Ultrasound Techniques Dr. Tinya Lin</p> <p>Optimizing REI Practice Dr. Tom Hannam</p>	<p>Concurrent Session E: Nursing SIG: Who's Gametes are They Anyways? Stanley Park Ballroom 1&2</p> <p>Perspective on Abandoned Embryos: Legal, Ethics & Patient views</p> <p>Patient Aspect Liz Ellwood</p> <p>Legal Aspect Catherine Wong</p> <p>Ethical Aspect Nipa Chauhan</p>	<p>Concurrent Session F: ART Lab Cypress</p> <p>Lab KPI's Rebecca "Bec" Holmes</p> <p>Leadership and the Art of Training the New Generation of Embryologists Debbie Venier</p> <p>The Internet of Things in the IVF Laboratory Giles Palmer</p>
15:30 pm – 16:00 pm	Health Break in the Exhibit Hall		
16:00 pm – 17:00 pm	<p>Debate & Closing Ceremony Stanley Park Ballroom</p> <p>Chair: Alex Lagunov and Emily McIntosh Debate: All Women Should Electively Freeze Their Eggs by Age 30</p>		

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Dr. Caitlin Dunne and Dr. Crystal Chan

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