

## **Report for SRF Travel Grant – Piotr Kaczyński**

I would like to thank SRF for awarding me a travel grant to support my attendance at the EpiConcept Conference Epigenetics and “Periconception Environment” in Giardini Naxos, Italy in September 2016.

During the conference I was given the opportunity to present my data in the form of a poster presentation entitled “Identification of regulatory effects of PGF2a-PTGFR signaling in porcine conceptus cells”. The results I presented met with a great interest of participants who work in the same field. My participation was beneficial in discussing the results and in finding the ideas for improvement of my future work.

I thoroughly enjoyed the EpiConcept meeting and I find it as an excellent conference to attend. Oral presentations included various topics in the fields such as: epigenomic tools, periconception environment, cross-species epigenetics, gametogenesis and embryogenesis as well as public, periconception and epigenome. Poster presentations was also the occasion for longer discussions with the authors and their group members. My participation in mentioned sessions resulted in gaining new ideas for improvement of my studies and broadened my knowledge on the field of epigenetic mechanisms in reproductive biology. The meeting was also very helpful in establishing the new contacts and cooperation. As a result I decided to apply for a project and fellowship that will be realized in the cooperation with new partner.

I am extremely grateful to the SRF for generously supporting my attendance in EpiConcept Conference that provided me the invaluable opportunity to improve my ideas, knowledge and meet the potential collaborators.

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