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on attendance the International Conference and Exhibition on Marine Drugs and Natural Products (Natural Products 2016) on July 25-27, 2016 at Melbourne, Australia. supported by Society for the Study of Reproduction (SRF)

The action of functional food is a very intresting topics for me because I am research scientists, studying mechanisms of influence of some food, drink and medical plants and their molecules on on reproduction. Therefore I was happy to attent the International Conference and Exhibition on Marine Drugs and Natural Products (Natural Products 2016) on July 25-27, 2016 at Melbourne, Australia. supported by SRF.

It was a good forum for Researchers, Industry Managers, Scientists and Healthcare Professionals provides an environment to disseminate and gain current knowledge in the area of Marine and Natural Sciences

The kind support of SRF enabled me:

- (1) to get a new knowledge concerning mechanisms regulating metabolism in humans and animals, the influence of some kinds of functional food, medical plants, as well as the new trends in this area,
- (2) to know a new approaches and methods used in in leading institutions working in this field. It was very helpful in improvement of current methods used in my laboratory,
- (3) to present and to discuss with specialists our data, which was presented in our oral presentation entitled "Effect of selected food and medical plants and plant molecules on ovarian functions"
- (4) to establish personal contacts, as well as to discuss possible collaboration with specialists from Russia and USA.
- (5) to see Australia, where I have never been before.

All these activities were very interesting and helpful for me in expanding my current knowledge, search of directions and methods of our further studies in physiology, biochemistry and endocrinology of metabolism and reproduction, and in development of collaboration with specialists in this field.

I express my deep gratitude to SRF, which support with Travel grant made possible my interesting and fruitful visit to this Meeting.

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