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SPERM MEETS THE EGG, NEW INSIGHTS ABOUT FERTILIZATION

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scientific program

Wednesday

- 8.00 - 8.45: Registration
8.45 - 9.00: Welcome

Section 1: Sperm Physiology and mechanisms of fertilization. Chairman: Laura Giojalas

- 9.00 - 9.30: "Regulation of intracellular pH in human sperm"
Claudia Treviño (Instituto de Biotecnología, UNAM, Mexico).
- 9.30 - 10.00: "Transport of proteins along microtubules: relevance to male fertility"
María Eugenia Teves (Virginia Commonwealth University, USA).
- 10.00 - 10.30: "Recombinant calcium transport inhibitor: role in capacitation and emergent biotechnological tool"
Andreina Cesari (Instituto de Investigaciones Biológicas, Argentina).
- 10.30 - 11.15: Coffee Break
- 11.15 - 11.45: "Chemoattraction or chemorepulsion: that is the question"
Alejandro Guidobaldi (Universidad Nacional de Córdoba, Argentina).
- 11.45 - 12.15: "From fertilization to immune system"
Patricia Cuasnicu (Instituto de Biología y Medicina Experimental, Argentina).
- 12.15 - 14.15: Lunch

Section 2: Molecular mechanisms underlying sperm capacitation. Chairmans: Clara Marin Brigglier and Juan Manuel Teijeiro

- 14.15 - 14.45: "Role of the SLO3 sperm-specific potassium channel in human sperm"
Celia Santi (Washington University, USA).
- 14.45 - 15.15: "Involvement of the cAMP transporter (MRP4) in the regulation of sperm capacitation"
Silvina Pérez Martínez (Centro de Estudios Farmacológicos y Botánicos, Argentina).
- 15.15 - 16.00: Coffee Break
- 16.00 - 16.30: "Non-canonical regulation of PKA during sperm capacitation"
Dario Krapf (Instituto de Biología Molecular y Celular de Rosario, Argentina).
- 16.30 - 17.00: "Structural organization of the actin cytoskeleton of the mouse sperm flagellum"
Pablo Visconti (University of Massachusetts, USA).

Thursday

Section 3: Sperm organelles: Acrosome and mitochondria. Chairman: Lucrecia Calvo

- 9.00 - 9.30: "Bypassing the plasma membrane to study the human sperm acrosome reaction"
Luis S. Mayorga (Instituto De Histología y Embriología "Dr. Mario H. Burgos", Argentina).
- 9.30 - 10.00: "Regulation of mammalian sperm acrosomal exocytosis"
Mariano Buffone (Instituto de Biología y Medicina Experimental, Argentina).
- 10.00 - 10.30: "Sperm Mitochondria: new challenges for old questions"
Rossana Sapiro (Universidad de la República de Uruguay, Uruguay).
- 10.30 - 11.15: Coffee break

Section 4: Mammalian oocytes and early embryo development. Chairman: Mónica Vazquez-Levin

- 11.15 - 11.45: "TRP channels as key regulators for calcium influx during oocyte maturation and early embryo development"
Ingrid Carvacho (Universidad Católica de Maule, Chile).
- 11.45 - 12.15: "Tankyrases regulate embryonic genome activation after fertilization"
Andres Gambini (NIEHS/NIH, USA) / Facultad de Agronomía, UBA, Argentina).
- 12.15 - 14.15: Lunch

Section 5: Oocyte meiosis and egg activation. Chairman: Debora Cohen

- 14.15 - 14.45: "Approaches to understanding roles of Aurora kinase B during mouse oocyte meiosis"
Cecilia Begnini (Rutgers University, USA).
- 14.45 - 15.15: "How Ca²⁺ and CaMKII are regulated during egg activation"
Rafael Fissore (University of Massachusetts, USA).
- 15.15 - 16.00: Coffee break

Section 6: Molecular basis of crossing barriers in reproduction. Chairman: Patricia Saragüeta

- 16.00 - 16.30: "Species-specific genome-wide signatures in the South American Jaguar (Panthera onca)"
Patricia Saragüeta (Instituto de Biología y Medicina Experimental, Argentina).
- 16.30 - 17.00: "Evolution of genes and traits associated to the fertilizing capacity of mammalian sperm"
Eduardo Roldan (Museo Nacional de Ciencias Naturales, España).
- 17.00 - 17.30: "Molecular basis of species-specific egg-sperm interaction: from human to mollusk... and back"
Luca Jovine (Karolinska Institute, Sweden).
- 17.30 - 18.00: Closing Remarks

Organizers: Silvina Perez Martinez, Mariano Buffone and Dario Krapf

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