

Tuesday 24 July 2018 18.15 - 19.15 Manchester Royal Infirmary

LET THERE BE LIFE:

An intimate portrait of the birth of IVF in Manchester

Wednesday 25 July 2018 09.00 - 17.30 Manchester Conference Centre

EDWARDS, STEPTOE... AND DR KERSHAW: An SRF symposium to mark the 40th anniversary of IVF

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INVITATION TO ATTEND

It is our great pleasure to invite you to a symposium on 25 July in Manchester entitled 'Edwards, Steptoe... and Dr Kershaw: an SRF symposium to mark the 40th anniversary of IVF'.

The Symposium, hosted by the Society for Reproduction and Fertility (SRF), is being held to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the birth of Louise Brown.

The Greater Manchester area has a long tradition in reproductive medicine, stretching back to Walter Heape in the 19th century and Bob Edwards who grew up and went to school in central Manchester. The symposium venue is within sight of Bob Edwards' old school. Patrick Steptoe famously practiced in Oldham, and the pioneering IVF work leading to Louise Brown was carried out by Edwards, Jean Purdy and Steptoe at Dr Kershaw's Cottage Hospital in Royton, the world's first successful IVF clinic.

The main scientific programme will follow a general theme of "what have we learned from 40 years of human ART, and what will the next 40 years bring?" and will encompass basic and clinical aspects of reproductive science and medicine including regulation, ethics, and future treatments beyond ART. We have gathered together eminent speakers in these disciplines to create an exciting programme.

The evening of 24 July will feature a free public lecture by Professor Roger Gosden, Bob Edwards' official biographer, entitled "LET THERE BE LIFE: An intimate portrait of the birth of IVF in Manchester". The lecture will be held at Manchester Royal Infirmary.

Both events are kindly supported by the Association of Clinical Embryologists, the British Fertility Society and Hempsons Solicitors.

We do hope you will join us in Manchester in July.

Professor John Aplin, Professor Daniel Brison and Dr Raj Mathur Local Organising Committee



PROGRAMME

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09.00 - 10.30 IVF, the First 40 Years and the Next 40 Years

09.15 Teresa K. Woodruff: Engineering Reproduction: The 3-D Printed Ovary

10.00 Chris Barratt: Male infertility 40 years of progress and 40 years on

REFRESHMENT BREAK

11.00 – 12.30 Understanding the Human Embryo

11.00 Kathy Niakan: Mechanism of Lineage Specification in Human Embryos

11.30 Dagan Wells: Mitochondria and Embryos

12.00 Michael Summers: 40 Years of IVF Culture Media

LUNCH BREAK

13.30 – 15.00 Implantation: bottleneck or final frontier?

13.30 Mostafa Metwally: The Endometrial Scratch

14.00 John Aplin: Implantation and Beyond

14.30 Andy Vail: The Science of Evidence-Based Practice

REFRESHMENT BREAK

15.30 - 17.30 Future Challenges in Ethics, Regulation Medicine and Science

15.30 Jonathan Ives: Should the state fund fertility treatment in the future?

16.00 Margaret Gilmore: The HFEA 40 Years On

16.30 Tom Fleming: IVF Children Come of Age. Little Embryos and Big

Implications

17.00 Oliver Schmidt: Science and fiction: from micromotors to spermbots

REGISTRATION

Tuesday 24 July 2018 - free of

charge

Wednesday 25 July 2018 - £25 including VAT tickets are non-refundable

To register for either or both events, please click here

