

I would like to thank the Society for Reproduction and Fertility (SRF) for the financial support to attend the Society for the Study of Reproduction (SSR) 52nd annual conference, which took place in San Jose, California, USA, from 18th to 21st of July 2019. The SSR annual conference is one of the biggest reproduction conferences and covers extremely important up to date research in complementary fields in reproduction.

This year's theme, "*Beyond Possible: Remarkable Transformation of Reproductive Biology*" consisted of an outstanding series of plenary presentations, including talks on germ cell imprinting, DNA methylation and embryo development, which are mostly relevant for my lab's work. Attending this conference allowed me to discuss our latest results on epigenetic perturbations following a harmful prenatal exposure on early embryos with other experts in the field. I also got excellent feedback on one of our latest stories, presented by one of my trainees at this SSR conference, on the 'Asymmetric DNA Methylation Profiles in the Embryo and the Placenta', which we were ready to send for publishing at the time of the conference.

This was a very productive conference as I have made many contacts. I got to meet new researchers who were interested both in my work and in starting new collaborations with our lab.

My participation at this conference has updated my knowledge, and gave me some insights about other's unpublished work. As an early career investigator, I really appreciate the financial support by the SRF to attend the 2019 SSR conference.