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ESHRE IN THE FIELD

Annual Meeting

ESHRE 2013: the countdown has started
This year, ESHRE will celebrate its annual meeting in London from 7 to 10 July.

Register now
Registrations are open and can be submitted through this link. Please note that registrations are only possible online.

More information about registration fees can be viewed here.

Programme
The list of all pre-congress courses can be viewed here. The main programme is already online and the invited sessions can be found here.

Exhibitors and sponsors
Companies wishing to exhibit at ESHRE 2013 or be a sponsor for our event can now find a wide range of information on our website.

All information about the next annual meeting is available on our new congress website www.eshre2013.eu.

Abstract deadline is 1st February
All abstracts intended for selection for ESHRE’s 2013 annual meeting in London must be submitted before 1st February. All submissions must be online and must meet the requirements set out on the ESHRE website. Click here for details.
Also be aware that for 2013 abstracts must follow a new format. Only those abstracts which meet these requirements will be considered.
Almost 1700 abstracts were submitted for Istanbul, of which only 248 could be accommodated in the oral programme - so competition for selection is tough in what has now become the world’s leading event in reproductive science and medicine.

Joint event
The best of ESHRE and ASRM
The second “Best of ESHRE and ASRM” joint meeting will be held in the Bahamas from 7-9 March 2013. Faculty from ESHRE and ASRM has developed a programme of lectures, debates and back-to-back sessions which compares different emerging approaches in reproductive medicine and science.
Register now here.

Highlight of the month
New year, new projects
To start with 2013, we are happy to announce the following news.

The new Editors-in-Chief of the ESHRE journals began their term of office on 1 January. Hans Evers is the new Editor-in-Chief of Human Reproduction, Felice Petraglia leads Human Reproduction Update and Molecular Human Reproduction is headed by Chris Barratt.

The main programme of our 29th annual meeting in London is online and can be viewed on our brand new congress website: www.eshre2013.eu.

ESHRE Campus events are now all planned for 2013 and you are invited to browse the full programme of workshops here. This e-newsletter will include two additional features: a monthly selection of articles from the ESHRE journals’ Editors-in-Chief and a presentation of the workshops by the courses’ co-ordinators.

A new design for our main website is also to be expected in the course of the year, with new and more interactive functions and a novel design.

Last but not least, ESHRE is about to publish new guidelines on the diagnosis and management of women with endometriosis. All information about the guidelines can be found here.

Happy new year to all our members!
ESHRE journals

Human Reproduction
The Editor’s highlight

Professor Hans Evers, Editor-in-Chief of Human Reproduction, casts his eye over the next issue and selects his own highlight.

ESHRE campus and educational activities

ESHRE Campus

5-6 February 2013
Scarring in the female reproductive tract – mechanisms and management
Edinburgh, UK

The workshop will focus on the clinical problem of pelvic adhesions, which will be considered from a multidisciplinary perspective.

“An inspiring multidisciplinary workshop”: Professor Hilary Critchley invites you to Edinburgh

7-8 February 2013
Bringing evidence based innovations to your clinic
Leuven, Belgium

The workshop considers the implications of new innovations in fertility care for paramedical staff.

Meet Jolienek Schoonenberg-Pomper , workshop co-ordinator, and Prof. Dr. Petra De Sutter, Co-ordinator of SIG Quality and Safety in ART

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Endoscopy in reproductive medicine
Leuven, Belgium

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Basic course for certification

9-12 April 2013
Basic Semen Analysis
Course in Dutch language
Nijmegen, The Netherlands

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1-4 October 2013
Basic Semen Analysis
Course in Italian language
Milano, Italy

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Molecular Human Reproduction
Uncovering a role for endocannabinoid signaling in autophagy in preimplantation mouse embryos

Endocannabinoid signaling plays various roles in directing reproductive processes. Mouse embryos are shown to express high levels of CB1 receptor. Low concentrations of anandamide stimulate embryo growth and implantation but at higher concentrations it adversely affects implantation.

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Human Reproduction Update
BMI in relation to sperm count: an updated systematic review and collaborative meta-analysis

The global obesity epidemic has paralleled a decrease in semen quality. Yet, the association between obesity and sperm parameters remains controversial. The purpose of this report was to update the evidence on the association between BMI and sperm count through a systematic review with meta-analysis.

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Who is behind ESHRE?

Meet Nathalie

If the guidelines developed by ESHRE are not yet familiar to you, they have no secret for Dr Vermeulen, aka Nathalie at the ESHRE Central Office.

Guideline development is a fairly recent activity for the Society. The project has been in Nathalie’s hands for two years.

“I have been working for ESHRE since October 2010, she says. I am the guidelines research specialist, employed to coordinate the guideline development program. My job consists in giving trainings on the different steps of guideline development, performing literature searches, collecting papers, checking evidence tables and organising the guideline development group meetings.”

Nathalie enjoys all the different aspects of her job, including working with interesting guideline group members from all over Europe.

Currently, there are three groups of experts developing ESHRE guidelines. The guideline on the diagnosis and management of endometriosis are in the phase of final editing and are about to be published online for external review. They will be available on the website on 15th February and Nathalie encourages all ESHRE members to send their remarks.

Nathalie is already working on the development of two more guidelines: the guideline on the implementation of psychosocial care by healthcare professionals in infertility and medically assisted reproduction and the guideline on the clinical management of premature ovarian insufficiency.

However, these are only the first three of (hopefully) a long list of future ESHRE guidelines and Nathalie will be happy to hear from you should you have any topics to suggest for a future guideline.

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