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**47 International
Dexeus Congress**

Reproductive Medicine
meets the world

SPEAKERS

- Diana Alecsandru.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, IVI Madrid
- Başak Balaban.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, American Hospital Istanbul
- Elvan Boke.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, CRG Barcelona
- Pauliina Damdimopoulou.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, Karolinska Institutet
- Attilio Di Spiezio.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, University of Naples Federico II
- Thomas Ebner.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, University of Linz, Austria
- Sandro Esteves.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, ANDROFERT Brazil
- Grigoris Grimbizis.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
- Joyce Harper.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, UCL
- Tuong Ho.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, IVFMD My Duc Hospital
- Jackson Kirkman-Brown.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, University of Birmingham
- Antonio La Marca.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia
- Antonios Makrigiannakis.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, University of Crete
- Pedro Melo.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, University of Oxford
- Marcos Meseguer.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, IVIRMA Valencia
- Gaby Moawad.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, Center for Endometriosis and Advanced Pelvic Surgery
- Kypros Nicolaidis.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, King's College Hospital Fetal Medicine Centre
- Samuel Ojosnegros.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, Institute for Bioengineering of Catalonia (IBEC)
- Raoul Orvieto.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, Sheba Medical Center
- Anja Pinborg.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, University of Copenhagen & Rigshospitalet
- Nicolas Plachta.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, University of Pennsylvania
- Nikolaos Polyzos.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, Dexeus Mujer – Dexeus University Hospital
- Mina Popovic.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, Eugin Group
- Denny Sakkas.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, Boston IVF / IVIRMA North America
- Ege Can Şerefoğlu.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, Biruni University
- Carlos Simón.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, University of Valencia; Baylor College of Medicine; Harvard BIDMC
- Alexandros Sotiriadis.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
- Claudia Spits.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, Vrije Universiteit Brussel
- Henriette Svarre Nielsen.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, University of Copenhagen & Hvidovre Hospital
- Alberto Vaiarelli.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, GeneraLife – Genera Rome
- Paola Viganò.** Gynecology and Obstetrics, Fondazione IRCCS Ca' Granda Policlinico Milano



APRIL 23rd

10.30 – 10.45

Opening Ceremony

10.45 – 12.00

SESSION 1: Reproductive medicine meets... Andrology

Chair: *Dinka Baldani and Piotr Sokol*

– Male fertility under the microscope:
why sperm DNA fragmentation matters

Jackson Kirkman-Brown

– Sexual health and reproductive outcomes.
Time to rethink the connection

Ege Can Şerefoğlu

– Who benefits from hormonal therapy in male infertility:
targeted use based on clinical profiles

Sandro Esteves

– Discussion

12.00 – 13.00

SESSION 2: Clinic meets the lab: When eggs are few...

Chair: *Panagiotis Drakopoulos and Gemma Arroyo*

– Which path to take in the lab – IVF or ICSI?

Denny Sakkas

– Stick with one or chase two stimulation cycles?

Alberto Vaiarelli

13.00 – 14.00

LUNCH BREAK

14.00 – 15.15

SESSION 3: Reproductive medicine meets... Immunology

Chair: *Paola Viganò and Marta Devesa*

– Can we hack the immune system to boost implantation?

Antonios Makrigiannakis

– When implantation fails can HLA and KIR testing help?

Diana Alecsandru

– Exploring endometrial microbiome.

Does it hold the secret to implantation success?

Carlos Simón

– Discussion

15.15 – 16.15

SESSION 4: Clinic meets the lab: When eggs don't fertilize...

Chair: *Borut Kovacic and Manuel Álvarez*

– Go gentle with ovarian stimulation

Pedro Melo

– Activate them artificially!

Thomas Ebner

16.15 – 16.45

COFFEE BREAK

16.45 – 17.45

Industry-Sponsored Session

17.45 – 18.15

SESSION 5: Reproductive medicine meets... The FUTURE

Chair: *Nikolaos Polyzos*

– Long live the oocyte

Elvan Boke

18.15 – 19.30

WELCOME RECEPTION (Exhibition Area)

APRIL 24th

09.00 – 10.15

SESSION 6: Reproductive medicine meets... Genetics

Chair: *Stéphane Viville and Gabriela Palacios*

– Endo Inherited. Tracing the genetic threads of endometriosis

Paola Viganò

– Is mitochondrial genome different in newborns from ART?

Claudia Spits

– Discussion

10.15 – 11.15

Industry-Sponsored Session

11.15 – 11.45

COFFEE BREAK

11.45 – 13.00

SESSION 7: Reproductive medicine meets... Fetal medicine

Chairs: *Katy De Paco and Pilar Prats*

– From Lab to Life: congenital malformations in ART Children

Anja Pinborg

– Fetal growth in ART pregnancies

Alexandros Sotiriadis

– ART Pregnancies under pressure. The preeclampsia challenge

Nikolaos Polyzos

– Discussion

13.00 – 14.30

Fundación Dexeus award & Keynote Lecture

Kypros Nicolaidis

14.30 – 15.30

LUNCH BREAK

15.30 – 16.30

SESSION 8: Clinic meets the lab: Low oocyte maturation rate...

Chair: *Juan José Espinós and Valeria Donno*

– Dual trigger is the answer

Raoul Orvieto

– Rescue in vitro maturation is the answer

Başak Balaban

16.30 – 17.00

COFFEE BREAK

17.00 – 18.00

SESSION 9: Reproductive medicine meets... The FUTURE

Chair: *Montserrat Boada*

– Watching Life Begin...

Live imaging of early embryo development – *Nicolas Plachta*

Live imaging of embryo implantation – *Samuel Ojosnegros*

APRIL 25th

09.00 – 10.30

SESSION 10: Reproductive medicine meets... Surgery

Chair: *Anis Feki and Pere Barri S.*

– Beat adenomyosis, boost ART outcomes

Attilio Di Spiezio

– Intramural fibroids & ART: Remove, control, or carry on?

Antonio La Marca

– Partial septum & arcuate uterus: fix it or forget it?

Grigoris Grimbizis

– Cutting-edge or unnecessary? Robotic surgery before ART

Gaby Moawad

– Discussion

10.30 – 11.45

**SESSION 11: Reproductive medicine meets...
Technology & environment**

Chair: *Michael Chapman and Mónica Parriego*

– Smart embryos: How AI decodes developmental chromosomal and implantation competence

Marcos Meseguer

– Environmental chemicals. Is human fertility under attack?

Pauliina Damdimopoulou

– Diet and Lifestyle. Can everyday choices shape fertility outcomes?

Joyce Harper

– Discussion

11.45 – 12.15 COFFEE BREAK

12.15 – 13.15 **SESSION 12: Clinic meets the lab: Recurrent pregnancy loss**

Chair: *Karen Sermon and Pedro N. Barri*

– Cell-Free DNA testing in pregnancy loss.
Can it provide the answers we need?

Henriette Svarre Nielsen

– Embryo factors in RPL: What PGT-A can and cannot tell us
Mina Popovic

13.15 – 13.45 **SESSION 13: Reproductive medicine meets... The FUTURE**

Chair: *Nikolaos Polyzos*

– Goodbye ovarian stimulation.... Welcome IVM
Tuong Ho

13.45 – 14.00 Closing remarks