



Society for
Reproduction
and Fertility



The Society for Reproduction and Fertility 2008

Edinburgh First Pollock Halls, University of Edinburgh

29th June – 1st July 2008

EXHIBITION BOOKING FORM

Introduction

This is the annual conference of the Society for Reproduction and Fertility. The society has a membership of 548 with members working within research and academic institutions across the world.

This meeting will host delegates from UK, Europe, USA and Australia. It will be attended by members of the scientific community that include programme leaders, postdoctoral fellows and PhD students. Delegates will be scientists working in all of molecular biology of reproduction, with a wide interest in gamete biology, embryology, stem cells, physiology of organismic biology. General interests relate to both basic and applied aspects of reproductive biology and health.

This is an excellent opportunity for exhibitors to interact with scientists working at the bench and to promote their products.

Venue



Pollock Halls – set in 15 acres of beautifully manicured grounds on the edge of Holyrood Park, in the shadow of the ancient volcano known as Arthur's Seat and in close proximity to the sights and sounds of the city centre.

All of the rooms offer tea and coffee making facilities and a telephone; Chancellor's Court bedrooms have a television as standard. Included in the price is a full Scottish breakfast, served in the bright, welcoming surroundings of the John McIntyre Centre.

Absorb Bar in Chancellor's Court is the place to head for coffee, pastries and light snacks. In the evenings, Centro bar in the John McIntyre Centre opens its doors to residents offering a fine selection of beers, wines and of course malt whiskies.

Guests at Pollock Halls can also benefit from the use of the state-of-the-art sporting facilities at the University's own Centre for Sport & Exercise. Situated just 10 minutes walk away from Pollock Halls, the Centre provides a wide variety of facilities to suite all abilities, including sports halls, six gyms and aerobic classes. Guests at Edinburgh First have priority access and benefit from reduced rates.

Topics/Sessions

The topics that will be covered in the conference will focus on cellular and molecular processes within the reproductive system. These include plenary lectures and mini-symposia delivered by speakers for Europe and USA.

It is anticipated that high caliber scientists will present their latest research.

The conference will highlight a range of topics including:

Non-genomic actions of steroids in reproduction

TGF β signalling in reproduction

GPCR signalling in health and disease

Evolution of neuroendocrinology

Sexual selection and mating strategies

Evolutionary biology of pregnancy

Mitochondrial DNA in the oocyte and embryo

Sex determination during development

Derivation of gametes from embryonic stem cells

**SRF Annual Conference Programme
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Provisional Programme – Day One

TIME	SUNDAY 29 JUNE	
12:00 -	FOYER Registration	SOUTH HALL Council Meeting
12:30 -		
13:00 -		
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14:00 -		SOUTH HALL Symposium 1 - Signalling in Reproduction
14:30 -		Non-genomic actions of steroids in reproduction Dr Stephen Publicover
15:00 -		Signalling pathways regulating ovarian follicle development Prof Teresa K Woodruff
15:30 -		GPCR signalling in health and disease Dr Henry N Jabbour
16:00 -		Chair: Dr Robert Abayasekara
16:30 -		KIRKLAND ROOM Tea/Coffee Break with Exhibition viewing time
17:00 -		SOUTH HALL Post Doc Scientist Award 3 x orals (20 mins) Chair: Francesca Houghton
17:30 -		
18:00 -		KIRKLAND ROOM Welcome Drinks Reception with Exhibition viewing time
18:30 -		
19:00 -		
20:30 -		
21:00	ABSORB BAR SRF Quiz	

Provisional Programme – Day Two

TIME	MONDAY 30 JUNE	
	SOUTH HALL	PRESTONFIELD
08:30 -	Symposium 2 - Evolution of Reproduction	
09:00 -	Sexual conflict and evolution of reproductive traits Dr Tracey Chapman	
09:30 -	Evolutionary origins of pregnancy Dr David Bainbridge	
10:00 -	Evolutionary co-adaptation of the neuroendocrine hypothalamus and placenta Prof Barry E Keverne Chair: Professor Gerald Lincoln	
10:30 -	KIRKLAND ROOM Tea/Coffee Break with Exhibition viewing time	
11:00 -	Oral Session 1	Oral Session 2
11:30 -	Speakers x 6	Speakers x 6
12:00 -	Chair: tbc	Chair: tbc
12:30 -	PRESTONFIELD	
13:00 -	AGM (12:30-13:00)	
13:30 -	KIRKLAND ROOM Lunch with Exhibition viewing time (12:30-14:00)	
14:00 -	SRF Student Prize	
14:30 -	Orals x 6 Chair: Dr Andy Childs	
15:00 -	<i>The Postgradoc election will follow this session</i>	
15:30 -	KIRKLAND ROOM	
16:00 -	Tea/Coffee Break with Exhibition viewing time & Poster Session	
16:30 -		
17:00 - 18:00	Distinguished Scientist Prof Anne Grete Byskov Chair: Dr Helen Picton	
19:30 -	KIRKLAND ROOM Pre Dinner Drinks	
20:00 -	SOUTH HALL Conference Dinner	

Provisional Programme – Day Three

TIME	TUESDAY 1 JULY	
	SOUTH HALL	PRESTONFIELD
09:00 -	SRF/SSR New Investigator	
09:30 -	SSR New Investigator: Derek McLean	
10:00 -	SRF new Investigator: tbc Chair: Dr Henry N Jabbour	
10:30 -	KIRKLAND ROOM Tea/Coffee Break with Exhibition viewing time	
11:00 -	Oral Session 3 Speakers x 6	Oral Session 4 Speakers x 6
11:30 -		
12:00 -		
12:30 -	KIRKLAND ROOM Lunch with Exhibition viewing time	
13:00 -		
13:30 -		
14:00 -	Symposium 3 - Gametogenesis and Differentiation Mitochondrial DNA in the oocyte and embryo Prof Lawrence Smith Sex determination during development Prof Robin Lovell-Badge Derivation of gametes from embryonic stem cells Prof Hans Schöler Chair: Professor Justin St John	
14:30 -		
15:00 -		
15:30 -		
16:00 -	Closing Ceremony Dr Henry Jabbour/Dr Robert Abayasekara	
16:10	Depart	

Sponsorship Opportunities

There is range of sponsorship opportunities available for any companies that may be interested. All sponsors will be acknowledged in the conference programme.

Sponsorship Opportunities	Cost
Welcome Reception The organisers have arranged for drinks reception to take place on Sunday at 18:00 within the exhibition. The support of this event will increase publicity and create much goodwill.	£350
SRF Quiz The organisers are hosting the SRF Quiz on Sunday at 20:30 in the Absorb Bar. All delegates are welcome to attend free of charge so this evening will be a great opportunity to increase publicity, create goodwill and enjoy networking.	£500
Badges Ensure maximum impact for your company throughout the conference by having your company name and/or logo printed onto the delegate badges.	£120
Note Pads/Pens Branded note pads/pens will be distributed to every delegate. Sponsoring company will need to supply item.	£150
Insert into Delegate Bag To ensure every delegate receives your product literature, an A4 double-sided insert may be placed into the conference bag.	£80

Exhibition Stands

The exhibition will be held in the Kirkland Room which is adjacent to the main meeting room. Posters will also be displayed amongst the exhibition stands. All catering served throughout the conference will be served within the exhibition and poster display area.

Prices are based on space only and are £450.00, please note that a clothed trestle table, 2 chairs and a 75-word entry into the conference handbook are included with each stand booking. The cost of your stand also includes all refreshments served throughout the day during the conference i.e. teas/coffees and lunches for up to 2 personnel. Any evening meals and accommodation can be booked but will be an additional charge. There is a conference dinner held on the Monday night if you wish to attend the cost per ticket is £50.00

Exhibition stands are 1m x 2m and include a clothed trestle table, 2 chairs and an electric socket.

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	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Please tick</i>
Exhibition Stand	£450	
Welcome Reception	£350	
SRF Quiz	£500	
Badges	£120	
Note Pads/Pens	£150	
Insert into Delegate Bag	£80	

Please note that exhibition stands and sponsorship opportunities are available on a first come first served basis.

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Title: _____ Forename: _____ Surname: _____

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