



**Program**  
**11<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference**  
**Hilton New Orleans Riverside**  
**“Current Perspectives & Concepts in Andrology”**

**Saturday, July 14, 2018**

5:00 – 7:00 pm                      Registration, Compass Room, Hilton New Orleans Riverside  
Register, meet colleagues and have a beverage before enjoying  
the evening

evening                                “on your own” in New Orleans

**Sunday, July 15, 2018**

07:30 am                              Registration & coffee  
Compass Room, Hilton New Orleans Riverside

07:45 am                              Introduction to the Conference, Steve Lorton  
Chart Ballroom, Hilton New Orleans Riverside

**Session 1**  
**“Semen Collection, Preservation and AI”**

08:00 - 08:45 am                  Application of liquid semen technology under the New Zealand seasonal  
dairy production system    ZhenZhong Xu, Livestock Improvement Corp.,  
Hamilton, New Zealand

08:45 - 09:30 am                  Semen collection, preservation and artificial insemination in the  
dromedary camel. Julian “Lulu” Skidmore, Camel Reproduction Centre,  
Dubai, United Arab Emirates

09:30 - 10:30 am                  Coffee break / Trade displays

10:30 - 11:30 am                  Oral presentations [3 x 20 min]

11:30 - 11:45 am                  Presentation of Honoree Awards to:  
   Duane Garner  
   Larry A. Johnson

11:45 - 12:30 pm                  Poster Session

12:30 - 01:30 pm      General Business Meeting and Lunch

**Session 2:  
“Spermatozoal Motility and Fertility”**

01:30 - 02:15pm      Photo-stimulation impact on sperm preservation, function and fertilizing ability. Marc Yeste, University of Girona, Girona, Spain

02:15 - 03:00 pm      Spermatozoal motility and fertility: the importance of seminal plasma  
Xavier Druart, France

03:00 - 03:45 pm      Coffee break / Trade displays

03:45 - 04:45 pm      Student Competition [4 x 15 min. ]

06:00 pm - approx. 9:00 pm      Cruise on the Mississippi River aboard the Creole Queen Paddle Boat, dinner and jazz band [optional registration]

**Monday, July 16, 2018**

08:00 am                      Registration & coffee  
Compass Room, Hilton New Orleans Riverside

**Session 3:  
“Spermatozoal Morphology”**

08:30 - 09:15 am      Systemic versus non-systyemic spermatozoal defects and their influence on fertility. Héctor Chemes, National Research Council, Buenos Aires, Argentina

09:15 - 10.00 am      Identification of genomic variants causing sperm abnormalities and variation in male fertility, Jerry Taylor, University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri, USA

10:00 - 11:00 am      Coffee break / Trade displays

11:00 - 11:45 am      *In vitro* sperm quality assays: how good are they? Charles Love, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, USA

11:45 - 12:25 pm      Oral presentations [2 x 20 min.]

12:25 - 01:30 pm      Lunch / Trade displays

**Session 4:**  
**“Spermatozoal Organelles”**

01:30 - 02:15 pm	Sperm mitochondria: Organelle of many functions. Stuart Meyers, University of California - Davis, Davis, California, USA
02:15 - 02:55 pm	Oral presentations [2 x 20 min]
02:55 - 04:15 pm	Poster Session / Coffee break
04:15 - 04:55 pm	Oral presentations [2 x 20 min]
05:00 - 05:15 pm	Student prize award & closing remarks – Simon de Graaf