



SPRING FERTILITY FORUM 2025

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PROGRAMME



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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENTS

Dear Colleagues,

We are delighted to share with you our invitation to attend the Spring Fertility Forum 2025, which is scheduled to take place from March 28, to March 29, 2025, in Athens, Greece.

Led by internationally renowned experts in the field of reproduction, this event offers a unique opportunity to explore the latest advancements and key topics in the field. The comprehensive scientific program features lectures, interactive workshops, and valuable opportunities for professional engagement with colleagues. It aims to offer delegates new opportunities to broaden scientific and practical horizons in the realm of infertility treatments, contributing to the improvement of therapeutic approaches for infertile couples and maximize their chances of success.

The Spring Fertility Forum 2025 is being organized by The Hellenic Society of assisted Reproduction (EL.E.I.Y.A) in collaboration with Controversies in Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Infertility (COGI) and sponsored by Ferring.

We look forward to meeting you at this event!



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Professor

Zion Ben Rafael

Founder of the Controversies in Obstetrics,
Gynecology and Infertility (COGI) Congresses

ORGANIZERS

Hellenic Society of Assisted Reproduction

The Hellenic Society for Assisted Reproduction (EL.E.I.Y.A.) has now been established as the competent institutional body not only for physicians specializing in Reproductive Medicine but also for the Assisted Reproductive Facilities. Its primary aim is to promote scientific thought and research among gynecologists, endocrinologists, biologists, geneticists, midwives, legal professionals, and other specialists directly or indirectly involved in addressing human infertility and reproductive medicine in general.

Additionally, the organization aims to disseminate information and research protocols that identify the causes and treatments of human infertility.

Finally, another key objective of the organization is the selection and training of physicians, healthcare professionals, and scientists in general through the organization of relevant educational and training seminars.

Controversies in Obstetrics, Gynecology and Infertility (COGI)

Controversies in Obstetrics, Gynecology and Infertility (COGI) is a society dealing mainly with controversial issues in the broad field of Women's Health, in the format of debates and discussions, and allowing ample time for speaker-participant interaction. Through its congress's, the society gives key-opinion leaders from around the world the opportunity to effectively debate clinical and therapeutic dilemmas and other key issues facing clinicians in their daily practice.

Society's Aims include, among others: To promote excellence in the field of Women's Health, To highlight, with debates and discussions, the current controversial issues in the field, To bridge the gaps between expansion of basic science and information, and their consolidation into clinical practice, To reach tangible and practical conclusions on controversial issues in the field, To allow ample time for speakers and audience interaction, and to encourage discussion of new ideas, To be the forum where general practitioners are updated on all sub-disciplines in the field, To assist practitioners in understanding pressing clinical topics, technological advances, ethical and public health issues, standards of treatment, and medical solutions in the process of being developed

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FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 2025

OPENING CEREMONY

Room A - Aristotelis

09:00-09:20	IVF programs in Greece	Themis Mantzavinos – <i>ELEIYA</i>
09:20-09:45	What went wrong in the research on DOR patients	Zion Ben Rafael – <i>Founder of the Controversies in Obstetrics, Gynecology and Infertility (COGI) Congresses</i>

SESSION I: DATA REGISTRY / PATIENT JOURNEY

Room A - Aristotelis

Chairmen: **Zion Ben Rafael & Themis Manzavinos**

09:45-10:05	“Trends in ART outcome. Lessons learned from the Latin American Registry of ART”	Fernando Zegers – <i>CHILE</i>
10:05-10:20	Is ART a tool for demographic and social policy making? Poland after one year of IVF funding.	Rafal Kurzawa – <i>POLAND</i>
10:20-10:45	Optimal oocyte number to aim for during ovarian stimulation for IVF	Bart Fauser – <i>IFFS</i>
10:45-11:00	Discussion	All

11.00-11:30 COFFEE-BREAK

SESSION II: OVARIAN STIMULATION

Room A - Aristotelis

Chairmen: **George Lainas & Fady Sharara**

11:30-11:50	Prediction of ART outcomes	Fernando Zegers – <i>CHILE</i>
11:50-12:10	The Role of Add-ons in Reproductive Medicine	Stratis Kolibianakis – <i>GREECE</i>
12:10-12:30	Low ovarian reserve: New generation cellular therapies (PRP, Exosome)	Bülent Tıraş – <i>TURKEY</i>
12:30-13:00	Discussion	All

13.00-14.00 LUNCH

SESSION III: IMPLANTATION

Room A - Aristotelis

Chairmen: **Andreea Veliscu & Nicole Mardesicova**

14:00-14:20	Does gonadotropin choice affect fresh and frozen embryo transfer outcomes?	Fady Sharara – <i>USA</i>
14:20-14:40	The window of implantation – how wide is it really open?	Georg Griesinger – <i>GERMANY</i>
14:40-15:00	Does RIF still exist?	Nick Macklon – <i>UK</i>
15:00-15:20	Fresh vs Freeze all cycles- When and to Whom?	Raoul Orvieto – <i>ISRAEL</i>
15:20-16:00	Discussion	All

16:00-16:30 COFFEE-BREAK

FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 2025

WORKSHOP I: Stimulation Protocols in XXIst century		Room A - Aristotelis
<i>Moderator:</i> Georg Griesinger - GERMANY		
16:30- 16:45	Mentor introduction Georg Griesinger - GERMANY	
16:45-17:05	rFSH- single center experience	Ivan Bolanca - CROATIA
17:05-17:25	High doses of rFSH at stimulation protocols	Lukasz Sroka - POLAND
17:25-17:45	The role of the FSH receptor status in personalised stimulation protocols	Miklos Sipos - HUNGARY
17:45-18:05	Platelet rich plasma: Real hope or another hype for low responders?	George Lainas - GREECE
18:05-18:30	Discussion	

WORKSHOP II: Stimulation Protocols in XXIst century		Room B - Afrodite C
<i>Moderator:</i> Bart Fauser - THE NETHERLANDS		
16:30-16:45	Mentor introduction Bart Fauser - THE NETHERLANDS	
16:45-17:05	Artificial Intelligence in Controlled Ovarian Stimulation for IVF.	Evangelos Makrakis - GREECE
17:05-17:25	Pregnancy rate in frozen embryo transfer of an euploid embryo by age of patient	Bogdan Doroftei - ROMANIA
17:25-17:45	rFSH stimulation protocols based on patient's type	Beata Banaszewska - POLAND
17:45-18:05	New rFSH in daily practice	Pavel Rokyta - CZ REPUBLIC
18:05-18:30	Discussion	

WORKSHOP III: Innovation in the LAB - Embriology		Room C - Kleoniki (Level -1)
<i>Chairmen:</i> Claus Yding Andersen - DENMARK		
16:30-17:00	Male Fertility Restoration – cryopreservation of testicular tissue is getting closer to a clinical service	Claus Yding Andersen - DENMARK
17:00-17:20	Guide to trophectoderm biopsy for PGT- an experience-based approach	Agata Wozniak - POLAND
17:20-17:40	Embryo Selection Methods in the IVF laboratory : a new era	Theoni Pastroma - GREECE
17:40-18:00	Chips, Robots + Embryologists: Who will survive?	Sinan Özkavukçu - TURKEY
18:00-18:30	Discussion	

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SESSION IV: Meet The Experts		Room A - Aristotelis
Chairmen: Fernando Zegers & Stratis Kolibianakis		
09:00-09:20	Embryo Cryopreservation: Freeze-all for All?	Basil Tarlatzis - GREECE
09:20-09:40	Novel protocols in ovarian stimulation	Nikolaos Polyzos - SPAIN
09:40-10:00	PGT- A across ethnic groups	Fady Sharara - US
10:00-10:20	Embryo-transfer technique: An evidence based or just an empirical procedure?	George Lainas - GREECE
10:20-11:00	Discussion	

11:00-11:30 COFFEE-BREAK

SESSION V: Clinical science and dilemmas		Room A - Aristotelis
Chairmen: Nick Macklon & Nikolaos Polyzos		
11:30-11:50	Mixed protocol for poor responders: is there a benefit?	Peter Kovacs - HUNGARY
11:50-12:10	Thin endometrium - a challenge in ART?	Iwona Szymusik - POLAND
12:10-12:30	PGT: Past or Future?	Nicole Mardešićová - CZ REPUBLIC
12:30-12:50	Endometriosis- practical aspects	Andreea Veliscu - ROMANIA
12:50-13:30	Discussion	

13:30- 14:30 LUNCH

SESSION VI: Fertility preservation		Room A - Aristotelis
Chairmen: Zion Ben Rafael & Themis Mantzavinos (ELEIYA)		
14:30- 15:00	Fertility Preservation for Poor Responders	Galia Oron - ISRAEL
15:00- 15:20	Indication for and against Fertility preservation	Michael von Wolff - SWITZERLAND
15:20- 16:00	Discussion	

CLOSING CEREMONY

Prof Zion Ben Rafael & Themis Mantzavinos



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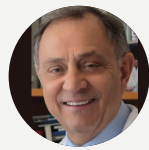
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