THE 5th WORLD CONGRESS ON
CONTROVERSIES
IN OBSTETRICS,
GYNECOLOGY &
INFERTILITY

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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

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CALL FOR PAPERS

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THE 5th WORLD CONGRESS ON CONTROVERSIES IN OBSTETRICS, GYNECOLOGY AND INFERTILITY
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Since its inception in 1999, COGI has become established as a unique gathering of physicians and researchers from all fields of obstetrics, gynecology and infertility, aiming to discuss the most pressing current issues in the corresponding subspecialties under one roof.

COGI meetings are planned to be true educational experiences, presenting the major changes in our rapidly evolving fields and offering an opportunity to debate these unresolved controversies, with ample time for audience/speaker interaction.

We hope to reach actual and agreed-upon answers to some of these controversies, through evidence-based medicine.

This brochure includes a preliminary scientific program, details of abstract submission, registration and accommodation. Please visit the Congress website for further updates.

Looking forward to meeting you in Las Vegas!

Zion Ben Rafael
Rogerio Lobo
Zeev Shoham

Congress Co-Chairmen
FRIDAY JUNE 4, 2004
INFERTILITY

08:15 - 09:45 Opening Plenary Session
Opening remarks
1. The ethics of Caesarian section on demand
   R. Lobo, USA
2. “Snakes, bugs and us” (Spouses are invited)
   F. Chervenak, USA
   S. Granai, USA

09:45 – 10:15 Break

10:15 - 11:45 PCOS
   Capsule: The most common endocrinopathy remains an enigma in many aspects
1. Should Metformin be used routinely for all women with PCOS?
   R. Lobo, USA
2. What is the best regimen for clomiphene failures?
   R. F. Casper, Canada
3. Risk of OHSS – is it a real problem?
   Z. Ben Rafael, Israel

11:45 - 13:45 The Patient Journey: Issues of Infertility, Conception, Multiple Gestation and Prematurity? Supported through an unrestricted educational grant from Serono (Lunch session)

14:00 - 15:30 Minimal Workup Before Infertility Treatment
   Capsule: Can we do without some of the tests?
1. Diagnostic Laparoscopy ever indicated?
   V. Gomel, USA
2. Sophisticated sperm analysis ever required?
   D. Evenson, USA
3. Why so much mis-diagnosis with Hysterosalpingography?
   A. DeCherney, USA

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00 – 17:00 Free Communications Papers

17:00 – 18:30 Conservative Treatment of Fibroids
   Capsule: Delaying childbearing increases the need for conservative treatment of fibroids
1. Management of intramural fibroids in infertility
   A. DeCherney, USA
2. Is there a place for GnRH agonists before myomectomy?
   S. Corson, USA
3. Laparoscopic myomectomy - should it be done to all cases?
Preliminary Program (cont'd)

FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2004

PERINATOLOGY

10:15 - 11:45 Prenatal Screening and Diagnosis

Capsule: There is still no agreed policy on how best to screen for fetal anomalies

1. First trimester screening – the BUN experience
   R. Wapner, USA
2. First trimester screening – the faster experience
   M. D’Alton, USA
3. Second trimester screening – what are all these markers really about?
   D. Nyberg, USA
4. The role of 3D in screening for malformations
   L. Platt, USA

14:00 – 15:30 Intrauterine Growth Restriction

Capsule: What are the most appropriate strategies for preventing complications due to growth problems?

1. Epidemiology and perinatal sequelae
   J. Gardosi, UK
2. Fetal growth potential
   R. Bukowski, USA
3. Fetal growth in twins
   S. Mahomoud, UK
4. Clinical assessment, ultrasound and doppler
   J. Gardosi, UK

16:00 - 17:00 Free Communications Papers

FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2004

GYNECOLOGY

10:15 - 11:45 Laparoscopy

1. Laparoscopic hysterectomy, why is it not more popular?
   T. Falcone, USA
2. Laparoscopic access safety
   A. Ternamian, Canada
3. Laparoscopic Burch – fancy operation or real need?
   T. Falcone, USA

14:00 - 15:30 The Evolution and Revolution in Contraception

Capsule: Will the innovative methods of family planning replace the Pill?

1. The Levonorgestrel IUS - just a contraceptive?
   R. Zurawin, USA
2. Will the patch replace the Pill?
3. The case for extended dose oral contraception
4. Hysteroscopic Sterilization - why use anything else?

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00 – 17:00 Free Communications Papers

17:00 – 18:30 Oncology Session

Capsule: Preservation of fertility is a goal in young women

1. Preservation of fertility in women with Stage IB1 cervical cancer
   M. Roy, Canada
2. Neoadjuvant chemotherapy for advanced ovarian cancer
   P.E. Schwartz, USA
3. Laparoscopic surgery in the management of ovarian cancer
   M. Roy, Canada
SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 2004
INFERTILITY

08:00 – 10:00 New Technologies in IVF
Capsule: With all technological improvements the question remains, are we progressing?
1. Does ART increase imprinting disorders? J. Cohen, USA
2. To be announced G. Schatten, USA
3. Cytoplasmic fragmentation: causes and cures M. Alikani, USA

10:30 - 12:30 Industry Sponsored Symposium supported by an unrestricted educational grant by Ferring Pharmaceuticals
Clinical Reality: Facts to consider when choosing your Gonadotropin

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch break on site

13:30 - 15:00 New Technologies in IVF II
Capsule: Stem-cells – why we need them and where do we get them from
1. Alternative sources of human embryonic stem-cells M. Alikani, USA
2. Human umbilical cord blood stem cells: can they replace embryonic stem cells? R.F. Casper, Canada
3. Is preconception gender selection ethical? C. Lockwood, USA
4. To be announced G. Schatten, USA

15:00 – 15:30 Coffee Break

15:30 - 17:00 Free Communications Papers

17:00 – 18:30 Practical IVF
Capsule: Many practical issues are unsettled
1. Should we limit the number of embryo transferred: the review N. Gleicher, USA
2. Does ET technique matter? H. Salam, Egypt
3. Avoidance of OHSS – step up, step down or other S. Daya, Canada
4. Minimal monitoring of ovarian stimulation – is it safe? Z. Shoham, Israel
Preliminary Program (cont’d)

SATURDAY JUNE 5, 2004
PERINATOLOGY

08:00 - 10:00 Coping With Infection in Obstetrics

Capsule: Controversies exist regarding aspects of screening and management of infections disease during pregnancy

1. HIV in pregnancy – What’s next? R. Bukowski, USA
2. Preterm labor, infection and CP
3. GBS: Who, when and which screening approach should be used for GBS screening and intra-partum therapy? Z. Hagai, Israel
4. CMV – time for screening?

10:30 - 12:30 Complications of Pregnancies

Capsule: Despite many years of experience and debate, basic questions in obstetrics remain unanswered

1. Prevention of perinatal infection – GBS and other A.A. Fanaroff, USA
2. How do iatrogenic multiple pregnancies complicate perinatal care? M. D’Alton, USA
3. Who is afraid of triplets? Reconsidering multifetal pregnancy reduction I. Blickstein, Israel
4. Spontaneous preterm labour: a fetomaternal adaptive response J. Gardosi, UK

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch Break

13:30 - 15:00 Prematurity

Capsule: The debate continues. Can we decrease mortality and morbidity?

1. Severe Preclampsia at the limit of viability - Is there a role for expected management? E. Norwitz, USA
2. Hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy – the ACOG criteria
3. The brain damaged baby and the obstetrician R. Berkowitz, USA

15:00 – 15:30 Coffee Break

15:30 - 17:00 Free Communications Papers

17:00 - 18:30 Thrombophilia in Obstetrics and Gynecology

Capsule: Can screening and treatment of thrombophilia prevent complications?

1. What is the evidence for the relation of thrombophilia to adverse pregnancy outcome? C. Lockwood, USA
2. The value of LMWH treatment in Ob/Gyn? R. Bukowski, USA
3. Prevention of Venous Thromboembolism in gynecologic surgery D. Clarke Pearson, USA
4. Thrombophilia assessment: what should the guidelines look like? D. Blickstein, Israel
SATURDAY JUNE 5, 2004
GYNECOLOGY

08:00 - 10:00 Sexual Dysfunction
1. Sildenafil use of in women
2. How do we define sexual desire / arousal problems in women?
3. Androgen treatment for hypoactive sexual desire?

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee Break

10:30 - 12:30 Transdermal Hormone Delivery
1. Advantages of transdermal system over oral therapy
2. Efficacy of transdermal estradiol gels
3. Metabolic changes and osteoporosis prevention with oral Vs non-oral estrogens

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch Break on site

13:30 – 15:00 Hysteroscopy (Supported by an unrestricted grant by ACMI)
1. Postmenopausal hysterectomy as a screening test for all women
2. Minihysteroscopy vs. standard technique for diagnosis
3. The HTA treatment for submucus myoma
4. Fluid management of hysteroscopy

S. Betocchi, Italy
E. Cicinelli, Italy
M. Glasser, USA
S. Corson, USA

15:00 – 15:30 Coffee Break

15:30 - 17:00 Free Communications Papers

17:00 - 18:30 Cervical Cancer and HPV

Capsule: Should we screen for this risk factor? Can we prevent it?
1. HPV DNA typing has no role in the routine evaluation of the abnormal Pap smear
2. HPV vaccines why aren’t they the answer yet
3. Cervical pre-malignant changes do not begin until CIN II

P.E. Schwartz, USA
Preliminary Program (cont’d)

SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2004

INFERTILITY

08:00 - 10:00 PGD

Capsule: What can be gained, what are the pitfalls?

1. Does PGD affect IVF pregnancy rates?
   L. Gianarolli, Italy

2. PGD - Polar body or Blastomere - what to prefer?
   Y. Verlinsky, USA

3. Does Nuclear Transfer have a place?
   J. Cohen, USA

4. Should PGD laboratories be regulated?
   Y. Verlinsky, USA

10:30 - 12:30 Endometriosis

Capsule: Can we choose between the many options of therapy of this poorly understood condition?

1. Meeting expectations in the chronically ill patient by extending the therapeutic network
   L. Hummelshoj, UK

2. The relationship of endometriosis and chronic pain: cause or association
   C. Miller, USA

3. Should laser vaporisation and electrocoagulation of endometriosis be banned?
   D.B. Redwine, USA

4. Treatment of endometriosis (in the adolescent)
   C. Miller, USA

SUNDAY JUNE 6, 2004

PERINATOLOGY

08:00 - 10:00 Complications of Pregnancy and Postnatal Care

Capsule: State of the art. Care for the fetus and newborn 2004- where is the evidence?

1. Perinatal and neonatal dilemmas at the limits of viability
   A. A. Fanaroff, USA

2. Postnatal steroid therapy and other adverse influences on the neonatal brain
   E. Shinwell, Israel

3. NST ad BPP in the management of the IUGR fetus: are we delivering too late?
   S. Rothmensch, Israel

3. Surfactant and other respiratory therapy – is there any hard evidence?
   E. Shinwell, Israel

10:30 – 12:30 Hot Controversies over Delivery

Capsule: Many questions over the risks of delivery remain unanswered

1. Is there any controversy over breech deliveries?
   R. Artal, USA

2. The role of vaginal birth after Caesarian section

3. Do parturients over 40 represent a new obstetric entity?
   L. G. Keith, USA

4. Can shoulder dystocia be prevented? What is the price?
   I. Blickstein, Israel
Preliminary Program (cont’d)

SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2004

GYNECOLOGY

08:00 – 10:00 Treating Menopausal Women Under the WHI Shadow

1. Increased risk of breast cancer precludes the use of hormones
2. Hormonal therapy increases not decreases cardiovascular risks
3. The use of progestogens magnifies the risks observed in WHI
4. Osteoporosis prevention / management with non hormonal therapy

10:30 – 12:30 Early Detection of Breast and Gynecologic Malignancies

Capsule: Delayed diagnosis is the major problem affecting prognosis - Can we diagnose it earlier?

1. Early detection of breast cancer. How feasible it is?
2. Proteomics for early detection of ovarian cancer; is this the answer?
3. Clinical application of newer methods– the National Ovarian Cancer Early Detection Program
4. Prophylactic Oophorectomy in BRCA carriers with or W/O hysterectomy

A. Genazzini, Italy
E. Petricoin, USA
D.A. Fishman, USA
P.E. Schwartz, USA
### Preliminary Timetable (as of January 2004)

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Call for Abstracts

DEADLINE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS: Thursday, April 15, 2004.

Abstracts should only be submitted via the Congress website: www.kenes.com/controversies/cogi5. For further instructions on submission, please see the website.

If you do not have access to the Internet please contact the Congress Secretariat at telephone number +41 22 908 0488 or fax number +41 22 732 2850.

All abstracts will be presented as posters. Please contact the Secretariat if you have not received any communication regarding your abstract by April 30, 2004.
General Information

CONGRESS VENUE
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Registration includes: participation in scientific sessions, Congress bag, Program and Abstract Book, all printed material of the Congress, invitation to the Get-Together Reception; Early Bird Breakfast and lunch on Friday, June 4 and Saturday, June 5; Early Bird Breakfast on Sunday, June 6.

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Fees will be refunded with a 25% deduction if notification of cancellation is received (by fax, email or letter) before March 31, 2004. Between April 1 and April 30 there will be a 50% refund. After this date no refunds can be made.

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Accommodation at special congress rates has been reserved at the Congress venue:

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Rates quoted are per room, per night, excluding breakfast and taxes.

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In order to benefit from the special congress rate, please make your reservation directly with the Paris Las Vegas Hotel, and request the group rate for Kenes International (Group Code SPKE14).

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