

10TH ANNUAL
UAE REPRODUCTIVE SYMPOSIUM
AGENDA



Jumeirah Beach Hotel, Dubai
11-12 April, 2025

14 CME Credits Hours

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Agenda

DAY 1

Friday, 11 April 2025



| TIME | TOPIC |
|---|--|
| 8:00am - 9:30am | Registration |
| 9:30am - 9:45am | Welcome Speech by MC |
| 9:45am - 10:10am | Speech by Prof. Michael Fakih, Medical Director & Chairman of Fakih IVF Group - Prof. Michael Fakih |
| 10:10am - 10:35am | Pioneering excellence in reproductive endocrinology & infertility medical education in the UAE - Dr. Yasmin Sajjad |
| 10:35am - 10:50am | Coffee Break |
| CHAIR PERSONS: Dr. Michael Fakih / Dr. Amal Al-Shunnar / Dr. Fady Sharara | |
| 10:50am - 11:15am | PGT-A Across Ethnic Groups - Prof. Fady Sharara |
| 11:15am - 11:40am | Decreasing Global Fertility and Implications for Fertility Care - Prof. Bart Fauser |
| 11:40am - 12:05pm | Common Add-On Strategies in RIF: Does the Evidence Support Outcomes? - Prof. Johnny Awwad |
| 12:05pm - 12:30pm | The Future of ART - Prof. Juan Velasco |
| 12:30pm - 1:30pm | Lunch Break |

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| CHAIR PERSONS: Dr. Michael Fakih / Dr. Yasmin Sajjad / Dr. Muhammad Ahsan Akhtar | |
| 1:30pm - 1:55pm | The Rise, the Fall, and the Future of PGT Testing Amidst Growing Lawsuits in the US - Dr. Amber Cooper |
| 1:55pm - 2:20pm | Polycystic Ovary Syndrome: General Health Implications for Patients and Offspring - Prof. Bart Fauser |
| 2:20pm - 2:45pm | Extended Ovarian Stimulation - Prof. Antonio La Marca |
| 2:45pm - 3:10pm | DuoStim for IVF: Best Practice - Prof. Elias Dahdouh |
| 3:10pm - 3:35pm | Novel Approaches for Prevention of Uterine Fibroids - Prof. Ayman Al Hendy |
| 3:35pm - 4:00pm | The Value of Robotics in Endometriosis and Reproductive Surgery - Prof. Gaby Moawad |
| 4:00pm - 4:15pm | Coffee Break |
| CHAIR PERSONS: Dr. Amal Al-Shunnar / Dr. Fady Sharara / Prof. Ayman Al Hendy | |
| 4:15pm - 4:40pm | The Immunology of Endometrial Receptivity and Physiology of Embryo Implantation - Prof. Johnny Awwad |
| 4:40pm - 5:05pm | How to Increase Endometrial Lining - Prof. Juan Velasco |
| 5:05pm - 5:30pm | TBC - Dr. Sandesh Kade |



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DAY 2

Saturday, 12 April 2025



| TIME | TOPIC |
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| 8:00am - 9:30am | Registration |
| 9:30am - 9:45am | Welcome Speech by MC |
| 9:45am - 10:10am | Turning data into Knowledge: Key Findings and insight from Research at Fakhri IVF - Dr. Muhammad Ahsan Akhtar |
| 10:10am - 10:35am | The Future of Human-AI Collaboration in ART - Dr. Ula Sankowska |
| 10:35am - 10:50am | Coffee Break |
| CHAIR PERSONS: Dr. Michael Fakhri / Dr. Yasmin Sajjad / Dr. Fady Sharara | |
| 10:50am - 11:15am | PRP in Women with Diminished Ovarian Reserve - Prof. Fady Sharara |
| 11:15am - 11:40am | New Insights on Obesity Management in Assisted Reproduction - Prof. Elias Dahdouh |
| 11:40am - 12:05pm | Mitochondria & Ovarian Aging: Opportunity for Restoration via Stem Cell Therapy - Prof. Ayman Al Hendy |
| 12:05pm - 12:30pm | Fertility Protection in Males Receiving Chemotherapy - Dr. Omer Raheem |
| 12:30pm - 1:30pm | Lunch Break |

| CHAIR PERSONS: Prof. Ayman Al Hendy / Dr. Amal Al-Shunnar / Dr. Muhammad Ahsan Akhtar | |
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| 1:30pm - 1:55pm | The Advantage of ICG (Indocyanine Green) in Reproductive Surgery - Prof. Gaby Moawad |
| 1:55pm - 2:20pm | The Role of the Fresh Embryo Transfer in 2025 - Prof. Antonio La Marca |
| 2:20pm - 2:45pm | Declining Fertility Rates and Populations Worldwide—What Does the Future of IVF Look Like? - Dr. Amber Cooper |
| 2:45pm - 3:10pm | Redefining Fertility Care: How AI is Transforming Patient Journeys - Dr. Ula Sankowska |
| 3:10pm - 3:35pm | Contemporary Management of Non-Obstructive Azoospermia - Dr. Ranjith Ramasamy |
| 3:35pm - 4:00pm | Who's Afraid of Teratozoospermia - Dr. Rupin Shah |
| 4:00pm - 4:15pm | Coffee Break |
| CHAIR PERSONS: Dr. Fady Sharara / Dr. Yasmin Sajjad / Prof. Ayman Al Hendy | |
| 4:15pm - 4:40pm | The Promise of Modern Approaches in Male Reproductive Health and Stem Cell Therapy - Dr. Sue Hammoud |
| 4:40pm - 5:05pm | Ovarian Rejuvenation: Advances in PRP, Adipose PRP, and Stem Cell therapy - Dr. Zaher Mirhi |

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