



Royal College of
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British Fertility Society

The Management of the Infertile Couple and Assisted Conception

Theoretical component of the *'The Management of the Infertile Couple'* and the *'Assisted Conception'* Special Skills Module

Joint RCOG/BFS Meeting

Monday 8 – Friday 12 January 2007

Why Attend?

- Provides the theoretical element for those studying the special skills modules
- Obtain the most up to date information on the latest developments in infertility
- Claim up to 27 CPD credits in category E/1 for full attendance at this meeting

Who Should Attend?

- Clinicians involved in the management of the infertile couple and assisted conception
- SpRs, consultants and doctors working in both the NHS and private sector

Venue: Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, London

OVERVIEW

This is a clinical update meeting aimed at all clinicians involved in the management of the infertile couple and assisted conception. It also provides the theoretical element for those studying the special skills study modules “the management of the infertile couple” and “assisted conception”. As well as providing a comprehensive overview of the subject, the speakers have been chosen to provide the latest information in this rapidly developing area.

This is an educational meeting aimed at SpRs, consultants and doctors working in the private sector. It will also be suitable for nurse specialists, and elements (see later) are suitable for counsellors, GPs with a special interest in fertility issues, ethicists and the legal profession.

Course Organiser: Mr Masoud Afnan FRCOG, Birmingham

BFS Training Committee: Dr Valentine Akande, MRCOG, Bristol
Mrs Helen Kendrew, Bath
Dr Gillian Lockwood, MA DPhil MRCOG, West Midlands
Mrs Alison McTavish, Aberdeen
Dr Luciano Nardo, MRCOG, Manchester

Convenor of Meetings: Professor Jane Norman FRCOG, Glasgow

PROGRAMME

Monday 8 January 2007

9.00am **REGISTRATION and REFRESHMENTS**

9.25am **Welcome and introduction**

SESSION I: EPIDEMIOLOGY

Chair: Mr Masoud Afnan, Consultant, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Birmingham Women's Hospital

9.30am **Epidemiology of infertility**

Professor William Ledger, Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Academic Unit of Reproductive and Developmental Medicine, The Jessop Wing, Sheffield

10.10am **The semen analysis and other sperm function tests**

Professor Christopher Barratt, Professor of Reproductive Medicine, Division of Reproductive and Child Health, The Medical School, University of Birmingham

10.50am **REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION II: MALE FACTOR INFERTILITY

Chair: Mr Masoud Afnan

- 11.20am **The initial assessment of the female**
Mr David Walker, Consultant, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Royal United Hospital, Bath
- 12.00pm **The assessment and management of male factor infertility**
Mr Anthony Hirsh, Honorary Senior Lecturer, Guys and St Thomas' Hospital, London, Consultant in Andrology, Whipps Cross University Hospital, London
- 12.40pm **LUNCH**

SESSION III: TUBAL DISEASE

Chair: Professor William Ledger

- 1.40pm **Assessment of tubal patency**
Mr Masoud Afnan
- 2.20pm **The management of tubal infertility**
Mr Geoffrey Trew, Consultant in Reproductive Medicine and Surgery, Department of Reproductive Medicine, Hammersmith Hospital, London
- 3.00pm **REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION IV: ANOVULATION

Chair: Professor William Ledger

- 3.30pm **Polycystic ovaries and anovulatory infertility**
Professor Adam Balen, Professor of Reproductive Medicine and Surgery, Department of Reproductive Medicine, Leeds General Infirmary
- 4.10pm **Ovulation induction**
Professor Steve Franks, Professor of Reproductive Endocrinology, Institute of Reproductive and Developmental Biology, Imperial College London, Hammersmith Hospital, London
- 4.50pm **CLOSE OF DAY ONE**

Tuesday 9 January 2007

9.00am **REGISTRATION and REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION V: ENDOMETRIOSIS AND UTERINE DISEASE

Chair: Mr Anthony Rutherford, Consultant in Reproductive Medicine, Leeds General Infirmary

9.30am **Infertility and endometriosis**

Mr Andrew Prentice, Consultant and Senior Lecturer, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge

10.10am **The diagnosis and management of uterine abnormalities and infertility**

Dr Yakoub Khalaf, Consultant Gynaecologist and Medical Director of Guy's Assisted Conception Unit, Department of Women's Health, Guy's and St Thomas' Hospital Foundation Trust, London

10.50am **REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION VI: UNEXPLAINED INFERTILITY

Chair: Mr Anthony Rutherford

11.20am **Cervical factors in infertility and the post coital test**

Mr David Cahill, Consultant Senior Lecturer in Reproductive Medicine, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, St Michael's Hospital, Bristol

12.00pm **The management of unexplained infertility**

Mr Siladitya Bhattacharya, Professor of Reproductive Medicine/Head of Department, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Aberdeen Maternity Hospital

12.40pm **LUNCH**

SESSION VII: CONTROVERSIES

Chair: Mr Siladitya Bhattacharya

1.40pm **Controversies in immune factors in infertility**

Dr Raj Rai, Consultant Gynaecologist/ Subspecialist Reproduction Medicine, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, St Mary's Hospital, London

2.20pm **Controversies in lifestyle issues in infertility**

Mrs Zita West, Midwife/Acupuncturist/Nutritional Advisor, Zita West Clinic, London
Ms Jane Knight, Fertility Awareness Nurse Specialist, Zita West Clinic, London

3.00pm **REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION VIII: INTRAUTERINE INSEMINATION

Chair: Mr Siladitya Bhattacharya

3.30pm **The place of intrauterine insemination in the management of the infertile couple**
Mr Anthony Rutherford

4.10pm **Preparation of patients for assisted conception**
Dr Raj Mathur, Consultant, Reproductive Medicine and Surgery, Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge

4.40pm **CLOSE OF DAY TWO**

Wednesday 10 January 2007

9.00am **REGISTRATION and REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION IX: ETHICAL ISSUES

Chair: Dr Gillian Lockwood, Medical Director of Midland Fertility Service, Aldridge, Birmingham; Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists Ethics Committee

9.30am **Ethical issues in the care of the infertile couple**
Dr Gillian Lockwood

10.00am **Treatment of patients with HIV or Hepatitis**
Dr Carole Gilling-Smith, Consultant Gynaecologist, Assisted Conception Unit, Chelsea and Westminster Hospital, London

10.30pm **How does the HFEA help patients?**
Professor Christopher Barratt

11.00am **REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION X: PSYCHOLOGY, THE LAW AND THE HFEA

Chair: Dr Gillian Lockwood

11.30am **Psychological issues in infertility**
Dr Jackie Boivin, Senior Lecturer, School of Psychology, Cardiff University

12.00pm **The law and the management of the infertile couple**
Mr James Lawford-Davies, Associate Solicitor, Medical Law and Personal Injury, Bevan Brittan LLP, London

12.30pm **Counselling in infertility**
To be confirmed

1.00pm **LUNCH**

SESSION XI: WILLIAM MEREDITH FLETCHER SHAW MEMORIAL LECTURE

Chair: Dr Gillian Lockwood

- 2.00pm **Choosing our Children**
Professor Peter Braude, Department of Women's Health, Guys and St Thomas' Hospital, London
- 3.00pm **REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION XII: THE PATIENT PERSPECTIVE

Chair: Dr Carol Gilling-Smith

- 3.30pm **The importance of quality systems in the care of the infertile couple**
Ms Alison McTavish, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Aberdeen Maternity Hospital
- 4.00pm **Patient support groups**
Ms Clare Brown, Chief Executive, Infertility Network UK and MORE to Life, East Sussex
- 4.30pm **CLOSE OF DAY THREE**

Thursday 11 January 2007

- 9.00am **REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION XIII: OVARIAN STIMULATION

Chair: Mr Khaldoun Sharif, Consultant, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Birmingham Women's Hospital

- 9.30am **Assessing ovarian reserve**
Mr Valentine Akande, Consultant Gynaecologist, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Southmead Hospital, Bristol
- 10.10am **Controlled ovarian stimulation**
Dr Richard Fleming, Consultant Biochemist, Division of Developmental Medicine, Royal Infirmary, Glasgow
- 10.50am **REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION XIV: PREPARING FOR IVF / ICSI

Chair: Mr Khaldoun Sharif

- 11.20am **IVF / ICSI Pre-treatment planning visit**
Ms Fiona Pringle, Clinical Nurse Manager, Oxford Fertility Unit, John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford
- 12.00pm **Surgical sperm retrieval**
Professor Herman Tournaye, Centre for Reproductive Medicine, University Hospital Brussels Free University, Brussels, Belgium
- 12.40pm **LUNCH**

SESSION XV: TECHNIQUES AND RISKS OF IVF

Chair: Mr Valentine Akande

- 1.40pm **Techniques of oocyte retrieval and embryo transfer**
Mr Khaldoun Sharif
- 2.20pm **Complications of assisted conception, including ovarian hyperstimulation syndrome**
Dr Nazar Amso, Senior Lecturer/Honorary Consultant, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff
- 2.50pm **REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION XVI: GAMETES AND EMBRYOS

Chair: Mr Valentine Akande

- 3.20pm **Sperm and oocyte preparation, embryo culture**
To be confirmed
- 4.00pm **Day 2/3 v. Day 5 transfer of embryos**
Dr Geraldine Hartshorne, Professor, Research Fellow, Centre for Reproductive Medicine, University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust
- 4.40pm **CLOSE OF DAY FOUR**

Friday 12 January 2007

9.00am **REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION XVII: OUTCOMES AFTER IVF / ICSI

Chair: Mr Peter Brinsden, Consultant Gynaecologist / Medical Director, Assisted Conception Unit, Bourne Hall Clinic, Cambridge

9.30am **Factors affecting outcome in assisted conception**
Mr Khaldoun Sharif

10.00am **Long term outcome of babies born following IVF and ICSI**
Miss Inez Cooke, Senior Lecturer and Consultant, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Royal Maternity Hospital, Belfast

10.40am **REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION XVIII: GENETICS AND ASSISTED CONCEPTION

Chair: Mr Peter Brinsden

11.10am **Preimplantation genetic screening**
Professor Simon Fishel, Managing Director, CARE Fertility, CARE Nottingham

11.40am **Preimplantation genetic diagnosis**
To be confirmed

SESSION XIX: WILLIAM BLAIR BELL MEMORIAL LECTURE

Chair: Mr Masoud Afnan

12.10pm **Human Aneuploidy gets the SAC**
Dr Hayden Homer, School of Cell and Molecular Biosciences, University of Newcastle upon Tyne

1.10pm **LUNCH**

SESSION XX: PRESERVING FERTILITY

Chair: Mr Peter Brinsden

- 2.10pm **Preserving male fertility**
Professor Neil McClure, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Royal Maternity Hospital, Belfast
- 2.40pm **Preserving female fertility**
Dr Gillian Lockwood
- 3.10pm **REFRESHMENTS**

SESSION XXI: EGG DONATION AND SURROGACY

Chair: Mr Masoud Afnan

- 3.40pm **Egg donation and egg sharing**
Mrs Laura Witjens, Chair of the National Gamete Donation Trust, Gloucestershire
Mrs Pip Morris, Donor Recruitment Manager for the National Gamete Donation Trust, Gloucestershire
- 4.10pm **Surrogacy**
Mr Peter Brinsden
- 4.40pm **Summing up**
- 5.00pm **CLOSE OF MEETING**

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Venue

RCOG, 27 Sussex Place, Regent's Park, London NW1 4RG. Tel: 020 7772 6200

Train: Marylebone Station – 10 minutes walk

Underground: Baker Street – 10 minutes walk

Parking: Regent's Park Outer Circle (pay and display), NCP on corner of Park Road and Rossmore Road, Tel: 0870 242 7144 for further information.

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You may claim a maximum of 27 CPD credits in category E/1 for full attendance at this course. CPD participants undertaking the special skills module on The Management of the Infertile Couple may claim a maximum of 40 CPD credits in category P/7 for the full training module including the relevant three days of this theoretical course. CPD participants undertaking the special skills module on Assisted Conception may claim a maximum of 40 CPD credits in category P/7 for the full training module including the relevant three days of this theoretical course.

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