



Congress Report

The 1st Royan International Congress comprised of two concurrent 1st Congress on Reproductive Biomedicine and 1st Congress on Stem Cell Biology and Technology was held on 29-31 August 2018 in Razi International Conference Center. A collection of more than 2400 International and Iranian participants took part in the congress.

Marzieh Shiva, PhD

*The Chairperson of
19th Congress on Reproductive
Biomedicine*



Sara Pahlavan, PhD

*The Chairperson of
14th Congress on Stem Cell Biology &
Technology*



Dr. Amir Ali Hamidieh

*Secretary of Development of Stem Cell Sciences and
Technologies Council*

Dr. Mohammad Ali Sadighi Gilani

*President of Iranian Society for Reproductive
Medicine (ISRM)*





Top:

Left: Nikolas Rivron (France)

Bottom: Pierre Savatier (France)

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Caroline Gargett (USA)

Pierre Vanderhaeghen (Belgium)

A large number of internationally distinguished researchers, together with the winners of 19th International Research Award (2018) were invited to this congress to present their studies and discuss their recent findings in a wide range of infertility and stem cell related scientific themes.

Kazemi Prize



Prof. Michele De Luca (Italy) has won the Kazemi prize for the research project titled:

“Skin Regeneration with Insights”



Prof. Michele Du Luca

**Director and Gene Therapy
Program Coordinator
The Center for Regenerative
Medicine**

**Stefano Ferrari
Itlv**

Kazemi Prize is an international Prize which was established in 2010 to respect the efforts and revive the memories of Dr Saeid Kazemi Ashtiani; the late founder of Royan Institute. Kazemi Prize is awarded to a scientist or scientists who have made an outstanding contribution to biological sciences and health promotion.

It consist a medal, a diploma, and a cash award.



Marcus Meseguer (Spain)



Mazdak Razi (Iran)



Dr. Vahid Akbarinejad (Iran)

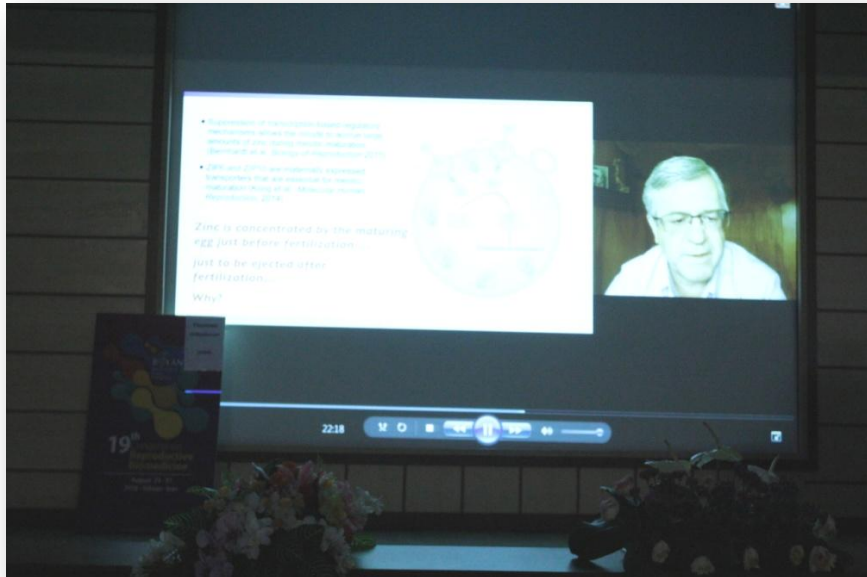


Fakhera Feroz (UK)



ART Challenges (Panel Discussion & Case Presentation)





Some of the invited speakers participated in **19th congress on reproductive biomedicine** through video conferencing sessions

Prof. Tom O'Halloran (USA)



Teresa Woodruff (USA)



The poster section is considered to be a vital part of the Royan annual congress where poster presenters are in direct contact with their audiences through dialogues and discussions. This year, the poster presentation was in digital form that added a delicate and special taste to the congress by avoiding the paper-print of almost more than 300 posters.

Best Poster Contest

20 posters with top scores (out of 30) were selected for Oral presentation.

During the congress, the posters presenters were judged by juries to be nominated for BEST POSTER Contest.





Official Visit to Royan Research Institute:

As part of the annual plan of the congress, the invited speakers of the 19th Congress on reproductive biomedicine and 14th congress on stem cell biology & technology had an official visit of Royan Research Institute; the visit included diverse specialized laboratories where invited speakers received comprehensive information on the various activities and studies of these labs.

The invited speakers were accompanied by researchers and lab technicians.



Royan Institute Dinner Party



Pre-Congress Workshops:

Beside congress, there were numerous pre-congress workshops and symposium:

- ✚ *Isolation and Purification of Mesenchymal Stem Cell from Various References: Bone Marrow Dental Pulp and Adipos Tissue*
- ✚ *Theoretical and Practical Workshop for the Isolation and Culture of Mammalian Spermatogonial Stem Cells*
- ✚ *Premature Ovarian Insufficiency*
- ✚ *Assessment of DNA Sperm Fragmentation and Clinical Approaches*
- ✚ *Histology Basics Immune- Staining*



