



Member Newsletter

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BOR UPDATES

Biology of Reproduction is now accepting Methods submissions.

BOR is now accepting general submissions of Methods papers, which describe a method or technique used in reproductive research. Methods papers should include the method's purpose, materials, detailed descriptions to accurately replicate the method, representative results, troubleshooting, and a discussion of its significance, limitations, and potential applications. Methods should follow the format outlined in [these instructions](#). We welcome your contributions to the journal!

ANNUAL MEETING

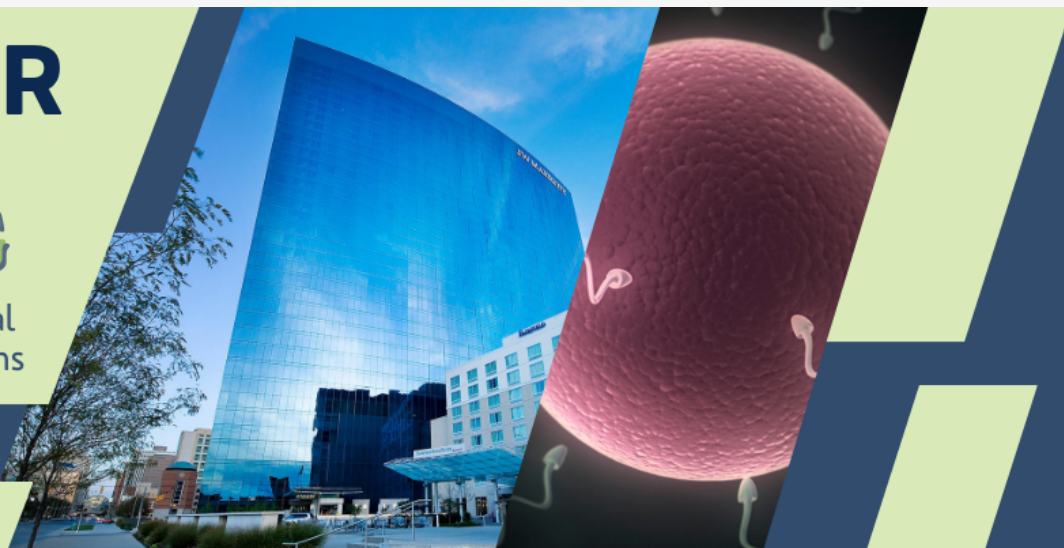
Save-the-Date: 59th ANNUAL MEETING

2026 SSR ANNUAL MEETING

Back to the Future, Foundational
Knowledge for Future Innovations

SUNDAY — WEDNESDAY
19 JULY 2026 — 22 JULY 2026

JW Marriott Indianapolis



Keynote Speakers



Juan Carlos Belmonte
Altos Labs



Rahima Benhabbour
The University of
North Carolina at Chapel Hill



Dolores Lamb
Children's Mercy Hospital



Andrea Pauli
Research Institute of
Molecular Pathology (IMP)



Jessica Tollkuhn
Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory



Carl Wu
Johns Hopkins University

Webinars

Upcoming Webinar

SSR New Investigator Bootcamp Webinar

"Establishing & Maintaining a Collaborative Research Network"

 Wednesday, October 22, 2025

 12:00 - 1:00 pm ET





Moderator
Diana Monsivais

Ready to build your research dream team? Join the SSR New Investigator Bootcamp webinar, **"Establishing & Maintaining a Collaborative Research Network."**

This is a must-attend event for anyone seeking to establish strong, lasting scientific connections. Our expert panelists will share strategies for:

- Starting collaborations with fellow junior investigators
- Starting collaborations with senior investigators
- Maintaining collaborations
- Interdisciplinary collaborations
- International collaboration
- Diversifying funding sources
- an unordered list

[Register Today](#)



Dr. Johnson presented his work exploring the role of fetal cells-derived extracellular vesicles (EVs) in fetο-maternal communication. His winning article demonstrated that in pigs, conceptus-derived EVs likely mediate the transport of interferon gamma protein into the endometrium to increase expression of interferon-stimulated genes and recruit T helper cells within the endometrial stroma that prepare the uterine endometrium for the early events of placentation.

[View Webinar](#)[Read Research Paper](#)

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Awards Committee

Major Awards and Distinguished Fellowship Applications

The Society for the Study of Reproduction (SSR) is now accepting applications for the **SSR Major Awards** and the **SSR Distinguished Fellowships** through Friday, November 21, 2025.

[Major Awards](#)[Distinguished Fellowship](#)

Public Affairs Committee

ReproBioArt Contest

A huge thank you to all the participants and voters!
Congratulations to the winners of the ReproBioArt contest 2025!

[View 2025 Winners](#)

Heritage Committee

Member Memorials

Recognizing the invaluable contributions of our members to the Society for the Study of Reproduction and the broader field of reproductive science, we wish to respectfully honor those who are no longer with us. If you are aware of an SSR member who has passed away, please share their name so that we may acknowledge their memory within our community.

[Memoriam Submission](#)

Trainee Affairs Committee

SSR Trainee Journal Club

The SSR Trainee Journal Club is a virtual platform where trainees share their recently published work and the publishing process. This is an informal and fully trainee-led space. Our goal is to learn more about the research our peers are doing, beyond what's on the printed page, and to foster open discussion and community building among trainees.

We're looking for volunteers to present and share their experiences! If you're a trainee who has recently published or if you're currently navigating the publishing process — we'd love to hear from you.

[Sign Up Here](#)

Nominating Committee

SSR Trainee Journal Club

The SSR Nominating Committee is now accepting nominees for the SSR 2026 Board of Directors Election. As an SSR Regular or Emeritus Member, now is your opportunity to recommend fellow SSR members who would be outstanding leaders of our society.

The positions open for nomination this year are:

- Vice President-Elect
- Treasurer-Elect
- Director (two positions available)

If you would like to nominate a colleague, please contact the person to confirm his/her willingness to be evaluated by the Committee. Nominations should include the name, rank or title, and professional affiliation of the person you wish to nominate. Self-nominations are also accepted.

Membership Committee

Emeritus Membership

Starting in January 2026, we will introduce a free renewal for Emeritus membership every three years.

This means if you are a current Emeritus member, you will receive a renewal email every three years at no cost. This process helps us ensure that we have the most up-to-date information for all members.

If you have any questions or concerns about updating your membership, please email info@ssr.org.

Virtual Education Committee

Experimental Methods and Techniques

Do you have a colleague who has developed an incredible method or technique important to the field? The Virtual Education Committee is looking for nominations for the Experimental Methods and Techniques in Reproduction webinar and BOR series.

[Nominate](#)

PODCAST



[Listen Here](#)

Alternative Careers in Reproductive Biology: Dr. Eglé Ortega, Senior Embryologist at Fertility Institute of Hawaii

In this episode of The Future Conceived we begin a new series, Alternative Careers in Reproductive Biology, which explores jobs for reproductive biologist outside of academia. Dr. Victor Ruthig from the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus interviews Dr. Eglé Ortega about Dr. Ortega's non-academic career as a reproductive biologist. Dr.

INDUSTRY EVENTS

SRI 73rd Annual Scientific Meeting



Theme: Regeneration & Renewal in Reproduction
Dates: March 24-28, 2026
Location: San Juan, Puerto Rico

[More Information](#)



About SSR: The Society for the Study of Reproduction (SSR) was founded in 1967 to promote the study of reproduction by fostering interdisciplinary communication among scientists, holding conferences, and publishing meritorious studies. Today, our members come from 50 countries around the world.

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