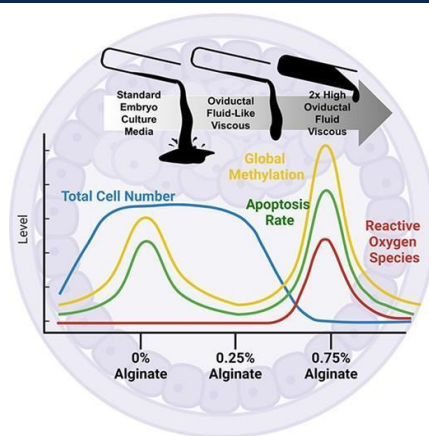


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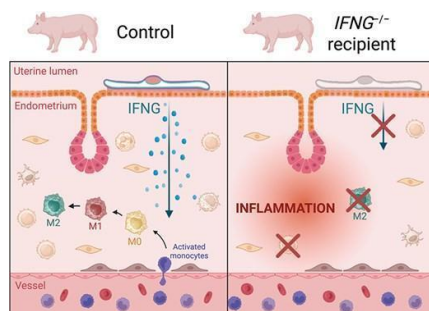


Mimicking the oviductal fluid viscosity improves the quality of in vitro-produced bovine embryos

Patricia Kubo Fontes and coworkers describe how bovine embryos produced under in vitro conditions mimicking the oviductal fluid viscosity showed a lower apoptosis rate and lower global methylation level than the standard low -viscous media, proving the relevance of physical oviductal parameters.

Programming of the endometrial immune milieu by interferon gamma during early pregnancy in pigs

Mariana Sponchiado et al report that interferon gamma regulates endometrial cell dynamics during early pregnancy in the pig.



Save-the-Date: 59th ANNUAL MEETING

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The Rising Stars program is designed to introduce and highlight research from new investigators to the SSR membership and broader reproductive biology research community.



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Trainee Affairs Committee

SSR Trainee Journal Club

Volunteer to present at the SSR Trainee Journal Club! The SSR Trainee Journal Club is a virtual platform where trainees share their recently published work and the publishing process. Our goal is to learn more about the research our peers are doing and to foster open discussion and community building among trainees. If you're a trainee who has recently published, we'd love to hear from you.

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2026 Heritage Honoree Nominations

The SSR Heritage Honor is designed to recognize a senior internationally recognized member of SSR who is retired (living) or deceased, and who has left a legacy of research, leadership, and impact in the field of Reproductive Sciences.

[Submit 2026 Nomination](#)

Deadline: January 15, 2025

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.

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EP 48: The Calcium Code—SSR Research Award Interview with Dr. Carmen Williams

In this highly insightful episode of **The Future Conceived**, host Cam Schmidt talks with **Dr. Carmen Williams**, Senior Investigator at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences and the **2025 winner of the SSR Research Award**.

Dr. Williams, whose lab investigates the critical events of fertilization, shares groundbreaking findings on **calcium signaling** during egg activation.

INDUSTRY EVENTS

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Frontiers in Reproduction

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