

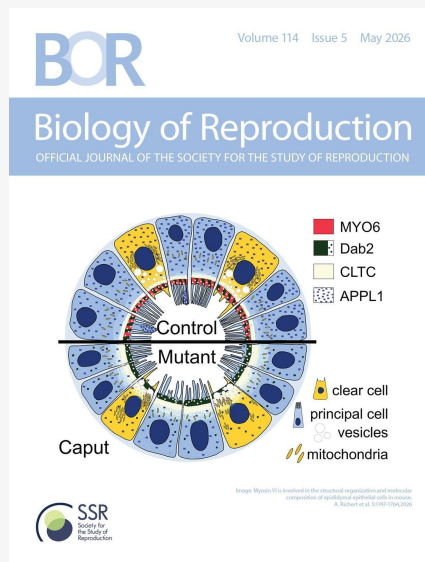


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BOR EDITOR'S CHOICE



From Ovarian Aging to PCOS: New Research in *BOR*

Explore the latest issue of *Biology of Reproduction*, featuring new research and reviews spanning ovarian aging, reproductive immunology, embryo development, fertility, placental biology, PCOS, and more. Highlights from this issue include Editor's Choice articles on DNA damage repair during mammalian oogenesis and immune dysregulation in PCOS, alongside cutting-edge studies in reproductive biology across multiple model systems. Read the full May 2026 issue and stay up to date on the latest discoveries shaping the field of reproductive science.

[Read the latest issue](#)

SSR ANNOUNCEMENTS

SSR Spotlight

We want to feature YOU! Do you have exciting research, a recent publication, or a significant achievement you'd like to share with the reproductive biology community? [Submit](#) your spotlight today and help us highlight the diverse and impactful contributions within SSR.

The conversation is moving!

SSR is evolving our social media strategy to better connect with our community. We've decided to step away from posting on X (formerly Twitter). While we are ceasing activity on X, we aren't going anywhere—we're just moving to the platforms where you are most active.

Follow us for the latest in reproductive science, meeting updates, and member news here:



FUNDING & GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

ANNUAL MEETING

Stay Where the Action Is — Book the Host Hotel!

2026 SSR Society for the Study of Reproduction ANNUAL MEETING

Back to the Future, Foundational Knowledge for Future Innovations

SUNDAY 19 JULY 2026 — WEDNESDAY 22 JULY 2026

JW Marriott Indianapolis



Please make your hotel reservations at the official conference host hotel.

Two rates are available:

- Discounted Run of House Rate: \$239/night — available through June 17, 2026, or until the block sells out
- Government Per Diem Rate: \$128/night (July 17–22) — limited rooms; valid ID required at check-in

Booking by phone?

Be sure to mention the SSR 2026 Annual Meeting to receive the group rate.

Why does it matter where you stay?

SSR has committed to a contracted room block with the hotel. When attendees book elsewhere and the block goes unfulfilled, SSR faces financial penalties that directly impact the organization and the programs you rely on. Booking the host hotel is one of the simplest ways to support SSR!

Ready to join us?

Register by June 1 to secure the best registration rate before it increases, and book your hotel room by June 17. We'll see you in Indianapolis!

[Book Room](#)

[Register](#)

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Public Affairs Committee

We are thrilled to announce the third edition of the **ReproBioArt Contest!**

Bring your repro-research to life!!! – If you missed last year’s contest, you have another chance to share images representing your research. **ReproBioArt 2026**, brought to you by the Society for the Study of Reproduction, is open and awaits your submissions!

ReproBioArt is a celebration of original images captured by dedicated researchers in reproductive science. This contest aims to spotlight the remarkable progress being made in reproductive science and medicine. We welcome images captured using any imaging technique.

The contest is open to members of the Society for the Study of Reproduction (SSR), the Society for Reproductive Biology (SRB), and the Society for Reproduction and Fertility (SRF). We will be accepting submissions from **May 15 to June 15, 2026**. Voting will begin on **June 16** and conclude on **June 30, 2026**. The top 12 images, as chosen by online popular vote, will be showcased at the SSR Annual Meeting in August 2026, where the winner of the ReproBioArt SSR Award will be chosen.

Awards:

ReproBioArt People’s Choice Award: This award will be given to the image that receives the most votes from the online public (anyone is eligible to vote!)

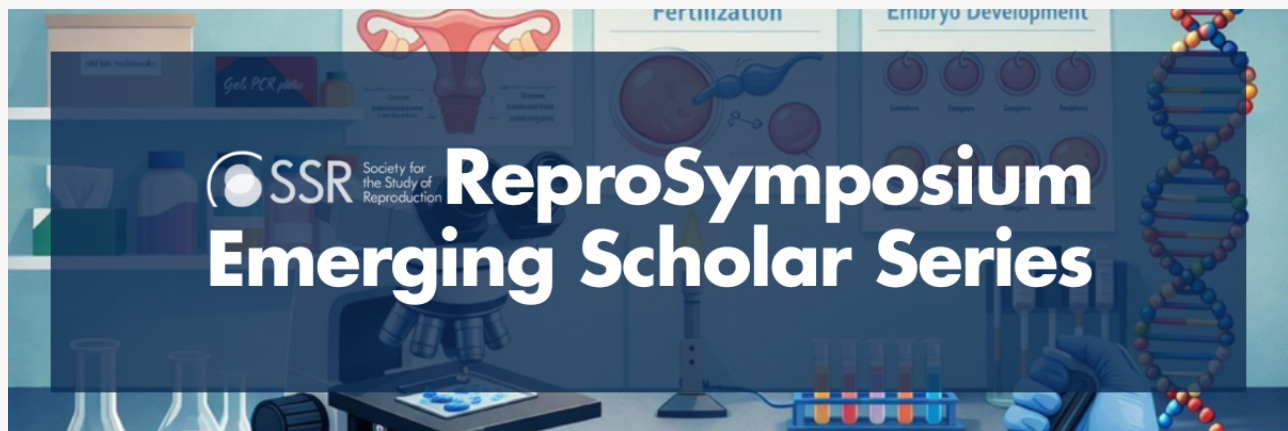
ReproBioArt SSR Award: This award will be presented to the image that receives the highest number of votes from SSR members and Annual meeting attendees.

[Learn more and submit your images today.](#)

Please note: By submitting to the Society for the Study of Reproduction’s ReproBioArt Contest, participants grant SSR nonexclusive rights to use their submissions for educational and promotional purposes, including website display, social media, print materials, and exhibits.

WEBINARS

Upcoming Webinars



SSR ReproSymposium Emerging Scholars Series is a weekly seminar program providing opportunities to interact with experts from academia, industry, and clinical research.

Every Friday, June 5 - July 24 | 12-12:45 ET

[Register Here](#)

Past Webinars



[View Recording](#)

PODCAST



[Listen Here](#)

E59: Janice Bahr Junior Scientist Travel Award with Dr. Camilla Hughes

What does it take to transition from a curious undergraduate to an award-winning Assistant Professor? In this episode, host Dr. Pam Monahan (Northwestern University) sits down with **Dr. Camilla Hughes**, Assistant Professor of Reproductive Biology at Penn State and the 2025 recipient of the Janice Bahr Junior Scientist Travel Award.

Dr. Hughes dives into the "through-line" of her research: the fascinating and often under-explored relationship between immune cells and the ovary. From the prenatal establishment of the ovarian reserve in cattle to the complex signaling that regulates the corpus luteum, Dr. Hughes explains why understanding the immune system is key to unlocking new insights in reproductive physiology.

INDUSTRY NEWS

MCI Grant Opportunities



Male Contraceptive Initiative (MCI), a nonprofit organization dedicated to funding the development of non-hormonal male contraceptives, has the following grants available. MCI has been a proud supporter of the SSR Annual Meeting and would like to share its 2026 funding opportunities with SSR members.

MCI has opened its 2026 grant cycle across four mechanisms:

- Core Grants — translational research on male contraceptive targets
- Focus Grants — including a dedicated PROTAC/targeted protein degradation track
- Agility Grants — rapid-turnaround funding for pivotal experiments
- Fellowships — supporting early-career researchers in the field

[Full Details](#)

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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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