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Dear Colleagues,

I am glad to inform you that following the successful efforts of Ron Magness, the Society for Gynecologic Investigation (SGI) agreed to add a new a review category for **Reproductive Bioengineering** towards the 56th Annual Meeting of the Society for Gynecologic Investigation which will be held from Wednesday March 18 to Saturday March 21, 2009 in Glasgow, Scotland. This will be the first time in the history of SGI that its Annual Meeting will be held outside North America.

The program co-director, John challis, is encouraging us to bring in as many as possible attracts in order to justify Ron's efforts and to convince the organizing committee to spare for us some slots for oral sessions. This is a great opportunity and I invite you to submit abstracts and make efforts to attend in the meeting.

Please find enclosed the Call for Abstracts with all the required information.

If you plan to submit an abstract, please send me a brief update.

We are looking forward for your participation in the meeting,

With best regards,

David Elad.

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Date: Tue, 12 Aug 2008 16:15:24 -0400 (EDT)
From: Linda Gildersleeve <lgilders@acog.org>
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SGI Annual Scientific Meeting
Glasgow, UK
March 18-21, 2009

Call for Abstracts

Dear Colleagues:

It gives us great pleasure to invite you to participate in the 56th Annual Meeting of the Society for Gynecologic Investigation which will be held from Wednesday March 18 to Saturday March 21, 2009 in Glasgow, Scotland. This will be the first time in the history of SGI that its Annual Meeting will be held outside North America. This landmark event recognizes that SGI has indeed become an international Society with an international membership. On behalf of SGI President Felice Petraglia and the entire Program Committee it is our pleasure to invite you to participate in the feast of science that is being prepared, and especially to invite you to submit your contributions as abstracts for presentation at the meeting.

We have planned a meeting that incorporates the very best of SGI tradition sprinkled with excitement and innovation. Our meeting will be held at the state of the art Glasgow Convention Centre. Our opening reception will be held in Glasgow City Hall, where delegates will be greeted by the Lord Provost of the City. Our roster of distinguished keynote lecturers includes Professor Wylie Vale, from The Salk Institute, San Diego, California, Professor Sir Ian Wilmut, FRS, University of Edinburgh, Professor Stephen O'Rahilly, FRS, University of Cambridge and Professor Paul Devroey from the University of Leuven, Belgium. President Petraglia has selected as theme for the meeting "Science and Women's Health: The Impact of Genes, Hormones and Environment". We will have a rich selection of 5 concurrent "Meet the Expert" presentations, 15 mini symposia, spread throughout the meeting, a series of 5 hot topical "Great Debates" and a special plenary session of the very best submitted abstracts from our trainees. We are planning more than 140 oral communications and up to 600 poster presentations. Note that we have extended the meeting to three full days (Thursday to Saturday), so plan to stay overnight Saturday to enjoy fully one of Europe's great cities. The main meeting will be preceded by a full day of satellite meetings on March 18th. For a single, separate fee you can attend any of the one-day satellite presentations. There will be a joint SGI/ESHRE Satellite Symposium on March 17th and March 18th on the Endometrium. The preliminary program is available on the SGI website at <http://www.sgionline.org/>.

Please spread the word about our Society and this very special meeting to friends, colleagues and associates. We especially encourage women and minorities to attend the meeting and to submit abstracts. SGI is committed to reaching out and expanding its family internationally and across disciplines. Please help us to make the 2009 meeting, a memorable one for record attendance, for outstanding science and for building bridges through translational research. All abstracts will be submitted

electronically. You will find the online abstract submission instructions and form posted at the Society for Gynecologic Investigation web site: <http://www.sgionline.org> under the heading "Online Abstract Submission Program for SGI year 2009 Annual Meeting".

Please read the instructions carefully when preparing your abstract. Authors will be responsible for proofreading their abstracts and conforming to all requirements. . We do not require a sponsor to submit an abstract on behalf of a non member, and anticipate that this will facilitate the free flow for submissions. There is no limit to the number of abstracts that any one individual may submit.

The electronic abstract submission deadline is Tuesday October 21, 2008 at 11.59pm Central Standard Time.

All abstracts must show an email address for communication purposes. Any questions about the abstract submission process should be directed to Marathon Multimedia by email to support@marathonmultimedia.com or by telephone to 507-334-5212 or fax to 507-334-0126. Other queries about the 2009 Annual meeting should be directed to lgilders@acog.org

The Society requires that material selected for presentation should be personally presented by the indicated author. Therefore you must register for the meeting. We urge you to register early and to book hotel accommodation early, especially if you wish to be at one of the hotels immediately adjacent to the Convention Centre. Please note that this year there will be several optional activities which are not >included in the base registration fee and should be added on if you >wish to sign on for those events. These include the satellite meetings >and the magnificent reception and dinner planned for the Kelvingrove Art Gallery. Tickets for the latter event are limited and will be available only on a first come-first served basis. Be sure to book early to avoid disappointment. Program registration forms, in addition to detailed information about the meeting schedule will be mailed to you in November, 2008.

Our first international meeting promises to be a memorable one; your program committee is determined to make it a vintage SGI event. The City of Glasgow is amongst the most celebrated of Europe's grand cities, steeped in heritage and culture, rich in its buildings and traditions, yet rightly boasting the most modern facilities and outstanding shopping. The surrounding countryside is easily accessible and simply stunning.

We look forward to seeing you in Glasgow for SGI 2009.

John R.G. Challis, Ph.D., D.Sc, FRCOG, FRSC and Sarah Berga, M.D.