

International Embryo Transfer Society

Parent Committee on Companion Animals, Non-Domestic & Endangered Species (CANDES)

Report to the IETS Board of Governors January 2009

The 2009 IETS post-conference workshop/symposium on the "Implementation of Artificial Insemination in CANDES" has been finalized (Appendix 1). We have a total of 12 presentations and the speakers have produced peer-reviewed articles for the proceedings. We will share a joint proceedings issue in *Theriogenology*, co-edited by Dr. Damien Paris and Dr. Gabriela Mastromonaco, with the articles from George Seidel's pre-conference symposium on an update of sperm sexing technology. Following the workshop/symposium, the CANDES Research and Technology Subcommittee Chairs plan to prepare a summary article to be published in the IETS Newsletter as well as a more detailed manuscript to be published in a refereed journal. We have one Patron Sponsor and two Gold Sponsors (total: USD 12,000) and have charged USD 100 for the registration fee per person for professionals and USD 65 for students that will include the proceedings issue and two coffee/tea breaks. Those rates increased to USD 120 and 75, respectively, after the registration deadline.

Since the January 2008 meeting, several new IETS members have asked to join the CANDES Committee and we hope to attract more after the workshop and involve them in several ongoing projects such as: adding new protocols to the Research Subcommittee Resource Manual, the regulatory guideline templates for the Regulatory Subcommittee, additional resources for the Technology Subcommittee and assistance in the development of the "Biomaterial Versus Live Animal Transport Disease Risk Analysis" by the Regulatory and Health and Safety Subcommittees.

Respectfully Submitted, *Naida M. Loskutoff*, Chairman of the IETS CANDES Parent Committee

Appendix 1

Scientific Program

35th Annual Conference of the International Embryo Transfer Society Wednesday 7th January 2009, San Diego, California, USA.

Henry Doorly Zoo's Center for Conservation & Research
Post-conference Satellite Symposium:

"Implementation of Artificial Insemination in Companion Animals,
Non-Domestic and Endangered Species (CANDES)"

8:10am	Opening remarks and welcome (CANDES Research and Technology Sub-committee Co-chairs: Damien Paris and Monique Paris, U. Utrecht, Netherlands; Gabriela Mastromonaco, Toronto Zoo, Canada; Rebecca Krisher, U. Illinois, USA)
8:20am	The importance and potential of artificial insemination in CANDES Barbara Durrant (Zoological Society of San Diego, California, USA)
9:00am	Artificial insemination in non-human primates Don Wolf (Oregon National Primate Research Centre, USA)
9:40am	Approaches and efficacy of artificial insemination in felids and mustelids Jo-Gayle Howard (Smithsonian's National Zoological Park, Washington DC, USA)
10:20am	Coffee Break
10.40am	Artificial insemination in deer and non-domestic bovids Barbara Wolfe (The Wilds, Cumberland, Ohio, USA)
11:20am	Artificial insemination in South American camelids and wild equids Gregg Adams (U. Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Canada)
12:00pm	Lunch
13:00pm	Artificial insemination in marsupials John Rodger (U. Newcastle, Australia)
13:40pm	Artificial insemination in canids: a useful tool in breeding and conservation Wenche Farstad (Norwegian School of Veterinary Science, Oslo, Norway)
14:20pm	Implementing artificial insemination as an effective tool for ex situ conservation of endangered avian species Juan Blanco (Centro de Estudios de Rapaces Ibéricas, Toledo, Spain)